

A person with curly hair, wearing a light-colored t-shirt and a blue backpack, stands on a mountain peak with their arms outstretched, looking out over a vast, hazy forest landscape. The scene is captured from behind, emphasizing the expansive view.

ELEVATE YOUTH 2019

PROGRAM EVALUATION

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2019

EVALUATION & DATA COLLECTION METHODS

Elevate Youth evaluates the impact that our programs have on our youth through post-outing surveys, third-party measurement tools, and certified observers.

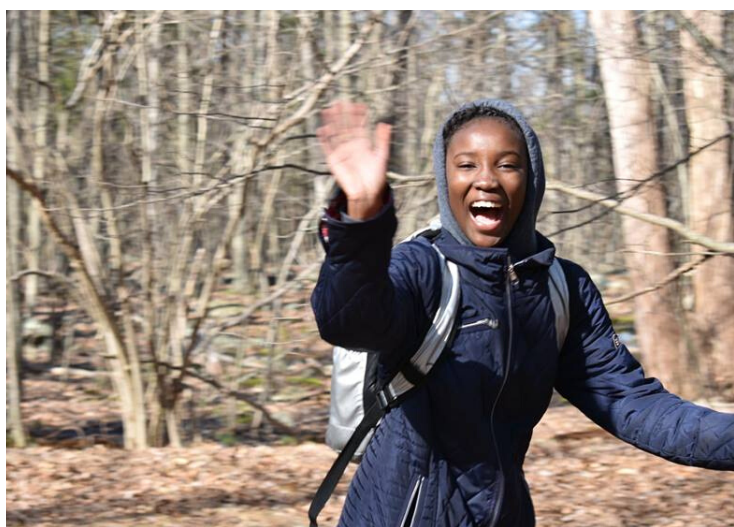
We focus on three main elements: adult-youth relationships, social and emotional learning, and comfort in the outdoor space.

We collect youth data through our Elevate Youth waivers, including age, sex, ethnicity, and more.

We strive to give our youth a voice within our programs, so we leave them with open space to share their candid thoughts about our programs.

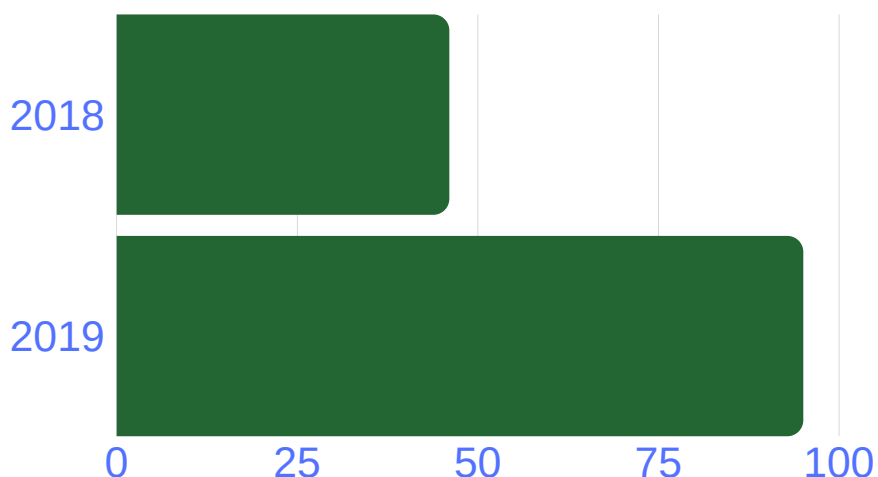
Our average outdoor program consists of one outing per month with supplemental enrichment sessions at a school or community center. Rather than provide one-and-done experiences, we work with youth cohorts starting in 6th grade and continue into high school. Our outdoor activities range from the following: hiking, fishing, kayaking, rock climbing, backcountry yoga, sailing, surfing, skiing, snowshoeing, and camping. Enrichment sessions have a structured curriculum and hone in on outdoor skills, environmental education, and team-building.

PROGRAM MODEL

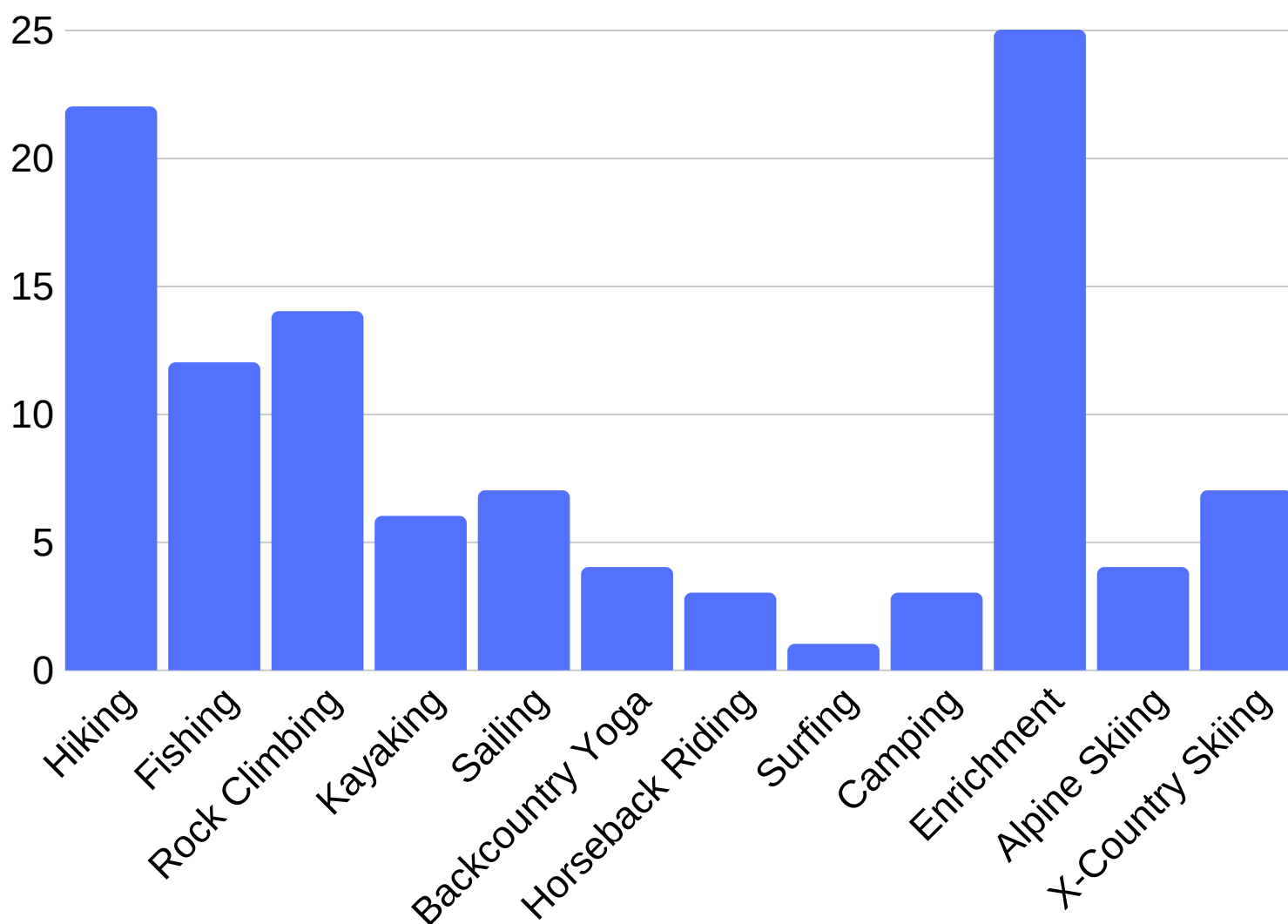


Year in Review
**PROGRAM
 NUMBERS**

Total Outings by Year



2019 Outings by Type



Total Outings in 2019 = 82

Total Enrichment Sessions in 2019 = 25

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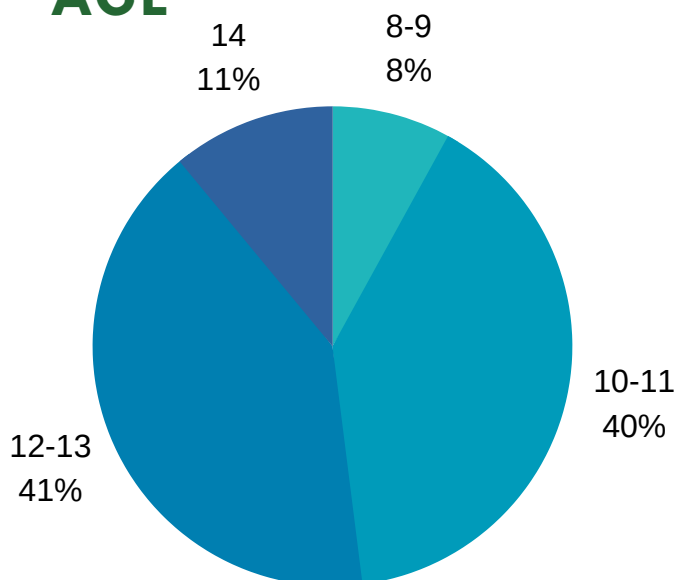
OUR YOUTH

2018  146 youth served

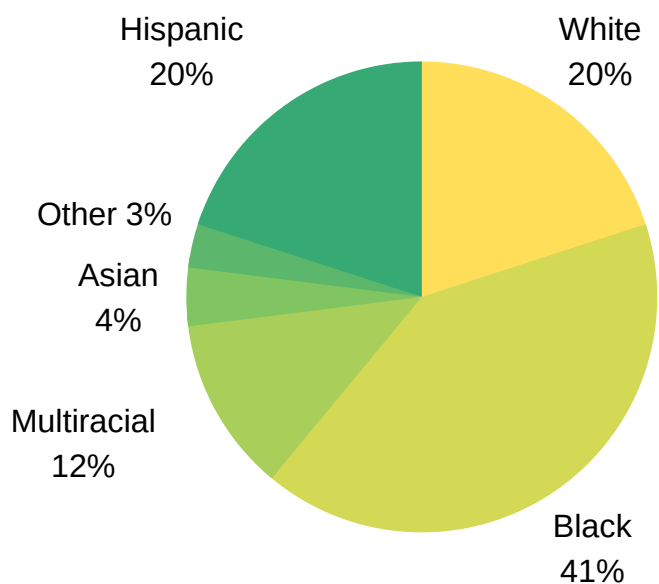
2019  228 youth served

Total number of youth served = 342

AGE



ETHNICITY



Elevate Youth Post-Trip Evaluation

EVALUATION RESULTS

During Elevate Youth outings....

92% of youth felt respected by the adults

91% of youth felt safe with the group

87% of youth enjoyed spending time outdoors

73% of youth did something they did not think they could do

72% of youth got out of their comfort zone

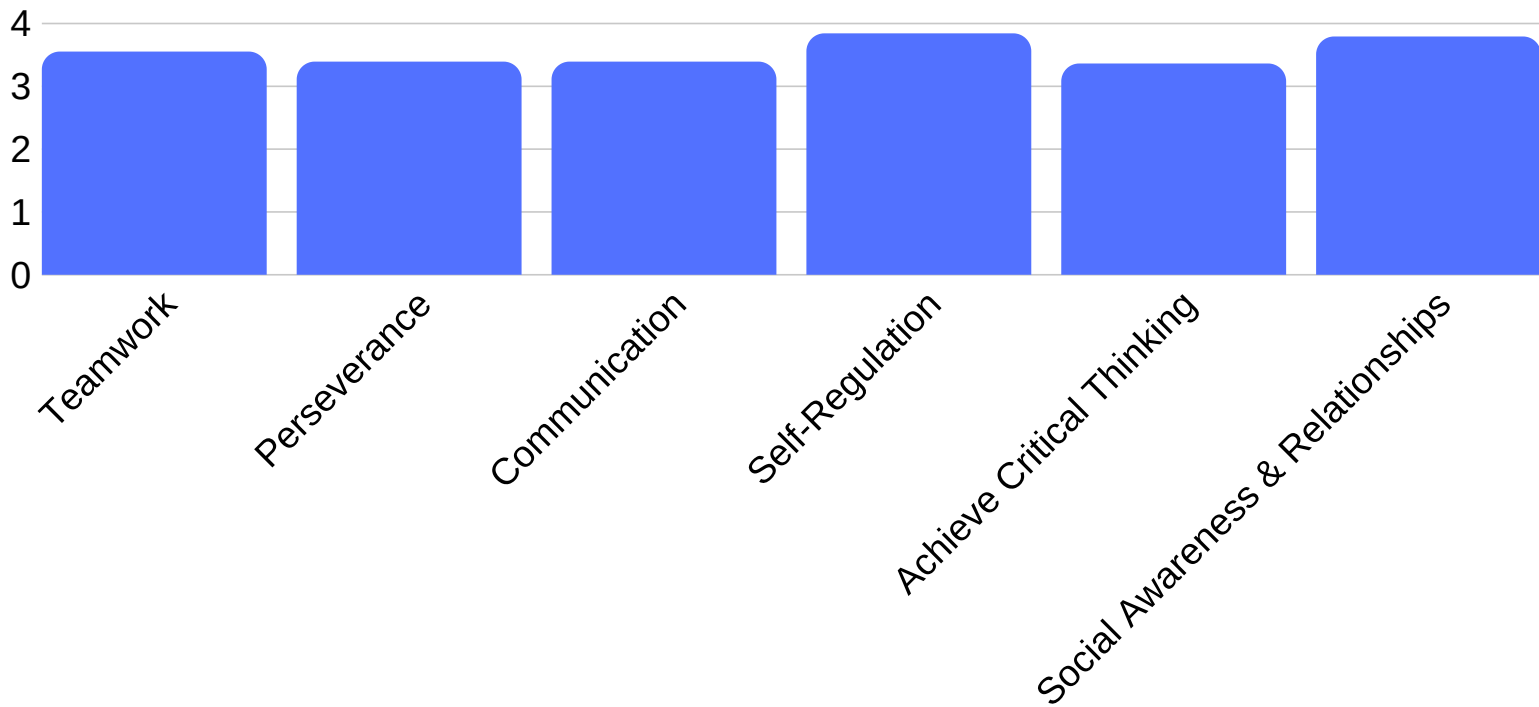


National Institute on Out-of-School Time

CERTIFIED OBSERVER RESULTS

Certified observers come to evaluate our programs every season. Here are the average results from our 2018 & 2019 programs.

Elevate Youth Outdoor Programs help youth with the following skills:



Based on a 1-4 scale.

3 = benchmark for other youth programs in Boston.



YOUTH VOICES



"The thing I like most about [Elevate Youth] is going outside and doing things I haven't done before. Like when we went rock climbing, I was scared. I didn't know what to do. But then I got up there and I was like, wow I did it!" - Gabby, age 13

"Going hiking and kayaking this summer was really fun. Going on these trips gave me a chance to experience something I don't often do." - Yerik, age 14

"I loved the silent hike. It was peaceful. And I loved how I felt in the embrace of nature." - Sarah, age 11



END OF 2019 PROGRAM EVALUATION.