

# ORANGE COUNTY GIRLS NEED OUR HELP

The COVID-19 pandemic will have lasting effects on the girls of Orange County. With schools closed for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year and returning in the Fall on a split shift schedule, girls are at risk of **falling behind and dropping out**. If not mitigated, the educational and economic disruption caused by this pandemic will lead to **lasting academic and life setbacks** for current students.



School Closures = Increase in Truancy. Truancy rates are higher in high poverty communities. 1 in 3 students in those communities are not participating in remote learning.

**21%** of students are not participating in school during COVID-19 closures.

According to an Education Week poll of teachers across the US, math teachers are concerned that students will have difficulty understanding concepts without receiving **one-on-one attention**.

**52%** of teachers are very concerned their students will fall behind in math.



An affiliate of the research nonprofit NWEA predicts a substantial impact of learning loss from COVID-19 closures. They predict students, on average, will be **four months behind in reading and a full year behind in math**.

Students in high poverty areas will be even further behind.



**1 in 10**

Orange County students were chronically absent **BEFORE** COVID-19 and school closures. Chronic absenteeism is associated with **lower academic performance** and an increased **risk of dropping out of school**

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## supHERvision

In response to the setbacks caused by COVID-19, Girls Inc. of Orange County has created supHERvision. This one-on-one mentorship program will pair girls with Girls Inc. of Orange County staff and volunteer mentors weekly who will keep them accountable in completing their schoolwork, college applications, scholarship essays, and providing support.



### Intervention

With many Orange County parents returning to work, girls are in need of **guidance**. Through the encouragement of Girls Inc. of Orange County staff, girls will maintain **grade level competencies** and **graduate on time**.



### Mentorship

We know girls go further with a mentor in their corner. supHERVision gives girls access to a Girls Inc. of Orange County staff member who will provide **direction and encouragement** about school and post-graduate education.



### Support

With parents and guardians returning to work, girls will not be alone. **Girls Inc. is there for them**. supHERvision participants will have text, email, and virtual face-to-face check-ins with Girls Inc. of Orange County staff each week.