THIRD-GRADE READING SKILLS predict high school graduation.

- Graduation rate among students who read proficiently by 3rd grade
- Graduation rate among students who did not read proficiently by 3rd grade

ONE IN FOUR YOUTH in the United States is born into a low-income community.

THE Y’S SUMMER LEARNING LOSS PREVENTION PROGRAM helps elementary students reading below grade level. The pilot program focuses on phonics, writing and reading to boost literacy skills, with enrichment activities to support physical and social emotional growth.

BOOKS MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN KIDS’ LIVES

- In an UPPER-MIDDLE INCOME COMMUNITY, there are 13 BOOKS per child.
- In a LOWER-INCOME COMMUNITY, there is 1 BOOK per 300 children.

BOOTING READING SKILLS in a 6 week program over the summer

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BUILDING LIFE SKILLS

- 98% of parents agreed that the program helped increase their child’s self-confidence.

The Y’s efforts to close the Achievement Gap are at work in nearly 46 STATES, including 29 STATES with the Summer Learning Loss Prevention pilot program.

- States offering the Y’s Summer Learning Loss Prevention pilot program
- States with Ys offering at least one other Achievement Gap program

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