YWCA IS ON A MISSION TO ELIMINATE RACISM, EMPOWER WOMEN, STAND UP FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE, HELP FAMILIES, AND STRENGTHEN COMMUNITIES.



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YWCA GirlsFirst

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YWCA GIRLSFIRST ENCOURAGES LEADERSHIP, INSTILLS CONFIDENCE, DEVELOPS SKILLS, AND PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES TO YOUNG WOMXN OF COLOR.

GirlsFirst is a free program of YWCA that serves young womxn of color in Seattle and King County.

We uphold the strength of people, families, and communities of color and believe those strengths should be cherished and celebrated. With year-round programming, GirlsFirst prepares students for success in high school and beyond.

Weekly after-school programming occurs:

- Rainier Beach HS: Mon & Wed (Rm 111)
- Franklin HS: Mon & Wed (Rm 105)
- Garfield HS: Tues & Thurs (Rm 232)
- Cleveland HS: Tues & Thurs (Rm 1212)





WHAT GIRLSFIRST OFFERS:

- Personal self-discovery, growth, and positive identity development
- Access to numerous academic and professional opportunities
- Affirming environments and networks of support that will follow participants throughout high school
- Opportunities to engage with critical issues impacting young womxn's lives and to develop projects to advocate for social justice
- Culturally-relevant and engaging project -based learning and field trips that promote cultural pride
- Connections to paid summer internships to and to gain relevant professional expertise

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM & TUTORING

Weekly activities designed to build community, develop leadership and self-confidence, increase academic achievement, and promote cultural pride

LEADERSHIP IN ACTION (LIA) DAYS

Monthly Saturday field trips to engage in and give back to community

SCHOOL-YEAR INTERN PROGRAM

Student Leaders are selected from each school to engage in intensive leadership development training and to guide and co-facilitate GirlsFirst programming

SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Paid summer internships provide girls with realworld experience at organizations and companies in a variety of fields (e.g. Seattle Children's Hospital; Coding Dojo; Seattle Art Museum)

SUMMER CAMP

A six-week summer camp, specifically for incoming ninth grade girls designed to build community, explore passions, develop leadership, and prepare for success in high school