Our Mission

The mission of Girls for A Change is to support Black girls and other girls of color and inspire them to visualize their bright futures and potential through discovery, development and social change innovation in their communities.

No matter what your daughter decides to do when she grows up, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) will play a BIG part in her future. GFAC provides out of school learning opportunities to working families of girls enrolled in 1st -8th grade. These services include STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) education, tutoring, homework support, physical activities, healthy snacks, social and emotional wellness, entrepreneurship, financial literacy, hands-on experiential learning, and supportive supervision.

Girls For A Change - Chesterfield aims to increase interest in STEAM fields among elementary and middle school girls in the Richmond Metropolitan Area; to raise access, enthusiasm, and academic achievement and to prepare them for future STEAM careers in the 21st Century.

Results

Results show that 96% of GFAC girl members will increase their self-efficacy, defined as one’s belief that they can accomplish their goals.

GFAC girls are 100% more likely to attain a college degree and 89% want to own and operate their own business.

87% show a higher level of interest and engagement in STEAM after starting our program.

GFAC girls are 95% more likely to build strong values and special friendships from our program.

Benefits

- Safe, Affordable, and Convenient for working families
- Girls lead their own exploration of STEAM programs
- Girls participate in activities that develop their social-emotional skills
- Girls improve sisterhood through sustained engagement with female peers and mentors
- Simply put, Girls For A Change teaches girls that there’s enormous potential and power in being a girl growing into womanhood.

Cost

- $65 Weekly Before School Only
- $85 Weekly After School Only
- $99 Weekly Before & After School
- $50 Weekly After School Daily Rate (3 days or more is full-time and will be charged the weekly rate above)
- $30 Day Passes Join us on school out & early release days

Notes: We follow Richmond and Chesterfield Public School calendars.

We are pleased to offer a 10% discount for each additional girl in your immediate family.

We offer summer program discounts for girls currently enrolled in our After school program.

Girls For A Change Before and After school services are fee based. The fees are based on a sliding scale and are based on a family’s income status. Families are expected to pay a minimum fee to attend. Please contact the center to make an appointment to request a scholarship screening.

Hours

Before School Hours: 6:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

After School Hours: 2:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

When school is out, Girls For A Change extended day programs provide before and after school programming for full days and half days. Our programs are available for school-age girls to bridge the time between school and a parent work schedules, as well as to provide full day supervision during school breaks and summer vacation.
Transportation
We provide safe and reliable transportation to and from select schools. Visit our website at www.girlsforachange.org to find out what schools provide transportation support served by our Girls For A Change-Chesterfield location.

Our Staff
Our dedicated, caring, and experienced staff is the foundation of the Girls For A Change experience for our girls. Every staff member is CPR / First Aid certified, engages in year-round professional development, must pass a nationwide criminal background check, and has a passion for girl-centered environments.

Contact Us
Questions? Please contact our office and ask for a Girls For A Change Program Director.

Why Girls of Color?
To reduce barriers and disparities that persist for Black girls and other girls color. Girls of color still lag behind in their performance on standardized tests, and they are more likely to be suspended from school. Girls of color still face higher rates of poverty and are more likely to become involved in the criminal justice system.

Our Goals
► To create a safe, stable and nurturing environment to support busy families with adult supervision for their children when they are not in school.
► To increase opportunities for the girls to achieve and maintain physical fitness, healthy lifestyles, self-confidence, and team building skills.
► To promote academic achievement, encourage High School graduation and increase probability of post-secondary access.
► To connect girls to positive role models, increase their confidence and implement STEAM deliberate strategies to expose them to STEAM education with "real-life" experiences.