



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 ENCOURAGES YOUNG WOMEN OF COLOR TO BUILD SKILLS IN SCIENCE, TECH, ENGINEERING, ARTS, AND MATH, AND BECOME STRONG LEADERS.

GirlsFirst is a free program of YWCA that serves female-identified youth of color in Seattle and King County.

With year-round programming, GirlsFirst prepares students for success in high school and beyond.

GirlsFirst offers hands-on learning in the fields of science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM), in a supportive environment that centers the experiences of women and girls of color.

Labs occur Monday–Thursday from 4–6 p.m. at the YWCA Alvirita Little Center and once a week at four local high schools:

- Franklin HS: Mondays
- Cleveland HS: Tuesdays
- Rainier Beach HS: Wednesdays
- Garfield HS: Thursdays



WHAT GIRLSFIRST OFFERS

- Critical skills in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM) to help youth succeed in school and compete in industries where women of color are underrepresented.
- Empowering, all-girls environment that encourages youth to build relationships with a diverse group of peers, practice social and emotional skills, and develop leadership capacity.

STEAM Summer Camp

Open to female-identified students in Seattle starting 9th grade in the fall. Youth with 75-percent attendance will receive a stipend at the end of the program.

Summer Internship Program

Paid summer internships for youth 16 and older that provide real-world experience at organizations and jobs in STEAM fields.

After-School STEAM Lab & Homework Help

Group activities help students develop strong academic habits; this includes STEAM experiments, a junior mechanics program, and creative arts, writing, and communication exercises.

Advisory Groups

Young people can make their voices heard through the Youth Advisory Group, open to participants and alumni. Adults who support GirlsFirst can join the Parent Advisory Group (for parents/guardians), or the Women of Color Advisory Group.