Students in SEL programs increase academic performance up to 11%.

HELPING YOUTH BECOME LEADERS

Navigating childhood isn’t easy. As they develop socially, emotionally, and intellectually – and face challenges at home, in school, and from peers – youngsters can become overwhelmed. Fortunately, students at Bangalore’s Maxwell Public School are gaining valuable skills to carry them confidently into their futures through Lions Quest, Lions Clubs International Foundation’s signature youth development program.

Since 1991, more than 1.5 million students and 50,000 educators in India have benefitted from Lions Quest’s social and emotional learning (SEL) approach to help students manage emotions, achieve goals, build positive relationships, and make responsible decisions. Maxwell students completed Lions Quest’s Skills for Adolescence curriculum with their teacher, Deepa Sudhakaran, who took advantage of the program’s professional development workshop to become a more effective educator. Her endeavor worked. “I interact with everyone and now don’t fear talking with anyone,” said her student Abhay. Young Parinitha shared, “I learned boys and girls have equal rights and opportunities.”

“We need leaders in industry, in colleges, in social circles,” said Dr. S. Nagraj Rao, the area’s Lions Quest chairperson. “LCIF’s Lions Quest is creating India’s leaders.”
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**Children...Our Path Forward**

50.
That’s the percentage of India’s children with access to education. Still fewer are enriched by SEL programs like Lions Quest. There is both heartache and hope.

35M
6-14-year-olds are out-of-school

37%
of parents report their children being cyberbullied
14% regularly

**THAT’S INDIA. GLOBALLY, THE SITUATION LOOKS LIKE THIS:**

1 in 3 students
reports being cyberbullied; 20% report skipping school because of it or violence

2 in 3 students
in 160 countries worry about violence in and around schools

Reading scores and bullying are directly correlated

Schools with positive school climate practices like Lions Quest have lower rates of absenteeism and bullying

**LCIF AND LIONS**

**Funding Service, Delivering Solutions**

Harvard University found students participating in Lions Quest reported improved perceptions of school climate, and physical and emotional safety. For 35 years+, LCIF has funded Lions Quest globally. Our commitment continues.

**LIONS QUEST PROGRAM GRANTS**

develop/expand the program

**UP TO US$150,000**

**LIONS QUEST COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP GRANTS**

launch/reactivate the program

**UP TO US$15,000**

**LIONS QUEST PROMOTIONAL GRANTS**

introduce the program to a community

**UP TO US$1,500**

**DISTRICT AND CLUB COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS**

apply to local district and club projects

**GRANT AMOUNT VARIES**

**SUPPORT YOUR SERVICE BY SUPPORTING YOUR FOUNDATION**

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