



YOUNG
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SOCIETY



Young Investors Society
Annual Report
2025-2026

YIS Mission



Young Investors Society provides quality financial literacy education and programs to students from all backgrounds and socio-economic levels. We aim to teach finance and investing skills that will last a lifetime and empower students to take control of their financial future.

YIS Principles

YIS Vision: Investors can change the world!

We believe that when youth are empowered by financial literacy, they can become outstanding investors in companies, societies and themselves, thus achieving financial independence and breaking the cycle of generational poverty.

This will be accomplished by pursuing the following principles:

- **Vision:** Young Investors Society seeks to inspire students to think critically for themselves and to evaluate businesses and the world around them with insightful, long-term perspectives.
- **Real-life Experience:** Youth get actual, hands-on experience evaluating companies, building financial models, and buying and selling stocks.
- **Leadership:** Each local chapter of the Young Investor Society is run by the students, recommending and investing in stocks themselves, organizing business and financial professional visits, and mentoring new members.
- **Community:** Young Investors Society members feel that they are a part of something greater than just themselves. They build connections to local businesses, universities and other young investors around the country, as well as the following generation that will take their place once they graduate. Service projects and giving back are important parts of the program each year. Young Investors Society makes special outreach to empower low-income and minority students.
- **Integrity:** Society members are expected to uphold the highest levels of ethical standards in investing, and learn to determine if a target company demonstrates good or poor corporate governance practices.

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Executive Board



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Student Advisory Board



Elected Officers

Co-President: Isaac C: Edison Academy Magnet School, NJ

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West Coast VP: Arjun R: Lake Oswego High School, OR

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Members-At-Large

East Coast

Ethan L: The Loomis Chaffee School, CT

Rohan N: Farmington High School, CT

Suhaan W: Rocky Hill High School, CT

Daniel C: American Heritage School, FL

Neel D: American Heritage School, FL

Nishant S: Carrollwood Day School, FL

Michael D: Houston County High School, GA

Rithik S: Lambert High School, GA

Shravya K: Alliance Academy for Innovation, GA

Shubha S: Lambert High School, GA

Saher K: Northwest High School, MD

Ashley C: King Philip Regional High School, MA

Edwin J: Westford Academy, MA

Ava J: Phillips Exeter Academy, NH

Aarav G: Bridgewater Raritan High School, NJ

Ishaan I: West Windsor-Plainsboro HS North, NJ

Makayo C: Delbarton School, NJ

Matias L: Ridgewood High School, NJ

Prakrit S: Watchung Hills Regional High School, NJ

Rithik C: Montgomery High School, NJ

Shriya P: Central Jersey College Prep NJ

Adrian C: Hunter College High School, NY

Chendong G: Staten Island Technical School, NY

Claire Tsai Horace Mann School, NY

Edwin C: Jericho High School, NY

Emma D: Great Neck South HS, NY

Hideki A: Staten Island Academy, NY

Aneesh S: North Carolina School of Science & Math, NC

Arav M: Bradford Prep, NC

Ayush N: Cox Mill High School, NC

Eeshan A: Cox Mill High School, NC

Eshan D: Cox Mill High School, NC

Eshan K: Cox Mill High School, NC

Rohan M: Lake Norman Charter, NC

Shriyan D: Weddington High School, NC

Siddharth S: Triangle Math & Science Academy, NC

Vikram T: Cox Mill High School, NC

Vivaan M: Cox Mill High School, NC

Abhi V: Downingtown East High School, PA

Arin W: Great Valley High School, PA

Bruk K: Lower Merion High School, PA

Arjun K: Langley High School, VA

Brody B: James Madison High School, VA

Kristen H: Langley High School, VA

Shveta S: Langley High School, VA

Xena S: Basis DC, Washington DC

Justin H: Georgetown Day School, Washington DC

Emily S: Urbana High School, MD

Members-At-Large Continued

Mid-West

Ashwin J: Basis Chandler, AZ
Iris T: Gilbert Classical Academy, AZ
JunXi W: Basis Scottsdale, AZ
Shripal D: Arizona College Prep High School, AZ
Shubham G: Arizona College Prep High School, AZ
Vishnu T: Arizona College Prep High School, AZ
Kayla W: QD Learing, AR
Adit R: Blue Valley North High School, KS
Christine K: Mounds View High School, MN
Amaira C: Elkhorn South High School, NE
Ronan M: 605 Academy, SD
Rahini M: Rouse High School, TX
Atharva N: Wylie E. Groves High School, TX
Ben K: Vista Ridge High School, TX
Cormac G: Michael E. Debakey High School, TX
Jayaditya V: Rouse High School, TX
Maxwell D: Lake Travis High School, TX
Murari A: Westlake High School, TX
Sai V: Rouse High School, TX
Siddharth K: Rouse High School, TX
Sreeharsha K: Rouse High School, TX
Vedant B: Independence High School, TX
Venkata P: BASIS Pflugerville, TX
Zoya S: Westlake High School, TX

West Coast

Alice C: Crean Lutheran School, CA
Audrey W: Esperanza High School, CA
Ayaan S: Eleanor Roosevelt High School, CA
Caroline C: Irvine High School, CA
Dhanya G: Basis Independent Fremont, CA
Elijah L: Fairmont Preparatory Academy, CA
Eric C: Valencia High School, CA
Erika C: Diamond Bar High School, CA
Gretchen G: Dunn School, CA
Karina Y: California School of the Arts, CA
Longford T: Lowell High School, CA
Rishi S: Westlake High School, CA
Victoria X: Walnut High School, CA
Zachary C: Redwood High School, CA
Conrad K: Bellevue High School, WA
Nimalan V: Glacier Peak High School, WA
Noah M: Lakeside School, WA

International

Nehan R: Sydney Grammar School, Australia
Sofia D: International School of Curitiba, Brazil
Zihao Z: 21st Century School of Beijing, China
Armaan M: Neev Academy, India
Atharva M: Jai Hind College, India
Davina T: St Xaviers High School Sector 49 Gurugram Haryana, India
Kritten V: Delhi Public School, India
Arav Sethi: Lancers Convent, India
Siddhanth P: International School of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Kris D: Delhi Public School, Saudi Arabia
Emma C: Walthamstow Hall School, United Kingdom

Letter from YIS Founder & President, James Fletcher, CFA



Eleven Years in and Still Growing

Every year, I get the same question: How big can YIS get? It's fair. The growth continues each year, but it's never been the question that matters most to me. I don't want us just to be the biggest teenage finance organization in the world. I want us to be the best and the kindest. Eleven years in, we still are—and this year proved you don't have to choose between the two.

So, let me start with the growth, because there was a lot of it.

The Biggest Year in YIS History

We reached over **3,800 schools** and **5,572 active students worldwide**. Our Global Stock Pitch Competition became our largest ever with **927 students** on **482 teams**, across **32 U.S. states** and **24 countries**.

The Access Initiative kept widening its impact with **383 schools** and **2,886 students**, with 55 Access teams entering the Global Stock Pitch Competition and 16 of them cracking the Top 100. Our Finance Knowledge Bowl drew 382 competitors, and the Dollar-A-Day Challenge grew again.

And in May, we brought **325 students** and an incredible group of judges, speakers, and volunteers to New York City for our biggest Global Youth Investment Summit yet. We had workshops taught by Goldman Sachs, Oaktree Capital, Bloomberg, Jennison, JP Morgan, and Webull, and students standing on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

The Number I'm Proudest of Not school, Not teams. Lives changed.

Our Alumni are walking into rooms we could only have dreamed about when we hung that first shabby banner in a California high school gym. YIS graduates are now landing jobs at **Goldman Sachs, GQG, JP Morgan, and Bloomberg**, and one of our alumni even joined **Y Combinator**. Teenagers who a few years ago were pitching their first stock in a classroom are now building careers and companies, at the very institutions that once volunteered to teach them. That's the whole mission of YIS coming full circle.

Nowhere was that clearer than at our Gala in New York, which was simply unforgettable. Temi and Christian both received standing ovations as they stood before the room and shared, in their own words, how YIS changed their lives. There wasn't a dry eye in the room.

A Major Step Towards the Future

This is also the year YIS grew up a little. We are so thrilled to have brought in Will Landers as our full-time Executive Director. Bringing on someone of Will's caliber is a signal of exactly where YIS is headed: an organization ready to serve thousands of students in person each year, and to reach tens of thousands more through our programs around the world. I could not be more excited about what we'll build together. And I am so grateful for Christine, Maria, Diana, and now Joyce, who make us the incredible YIS staff.

The One Thing That Never Changes

As we grow, here's the thing I'll keep repeating. The magic of YIS was never the size of the competition or the length of the school list. It's the connection between a teenager and a financial professional who shows up and genuinely cares. The students can feel it. That care is the reason a kid in his first pitch competition someday ends up at Goldman—or at Y Combinator. We couldn't do it without so many who volunteer, judge, donate, connect, and teach our kids around the world.

Here's to eleven years, and to staying the best and the kindest, all the way up.

James Fletcher
Young Investors Society
Founder & President

Letter from YIS Executive Director, Will Landers



Dear Friends,

When I accepted the role of Executive Director of Young Investors Society last September, I knew I was joining an organization with an extraordinary mission. What I didn't fully appreciate was just how profoundly this community would inspire me.

After more than 30 years in the investment industry, I have spent this past year seeing finance through a completely different lens. Instead of measuring success in returns or market performance, I have had the privilege of witnessing young people discover confidence, curiosity, and opportunity through financial education. It has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my career.

Over the past year, I have met students from across the United States and around the world, spoken with teachers who devote countless hours to their students' success, and worked alongside an incredible network of volunteers who generously share their expertise. Everywhere I have gone, I have seen the same thing: when students are challenged, supported, and given access to real-world experiences, they consistently exceed our expectations.

That belief was on full display at this year's Global Youth Investment Summit. We welcomed a record 325 students from around the world to New York for two unforgettable days of learning, collaboration, and competition. They visited leading financial institutions, learned directly from investment professionals, build friendships across cultures, and demonstrated analytical skills and professionalism that would impress even seasoned investors.

Equally inspiring was the continued growth of our Access Initiative. Watching more students from underserved communities participate in our programs—and seeing many of them thrive on the same state as their peers—reinforced why expanding access remains central to our mission. Talent is universal. Opportunities are not. At Young Investors Society, we are working every day to help close that gap.

None of this would be possible without the remarkable people who make this organization what it is. I am deeply grateful to our founder, James Fletcher, whose vision continues to guide us, our dedicated Board of Directors, our exceptional staff, our teachers, our volunteers, and our corporate and philanthropic partners. Your generosity of time, expertise, and financial support allows us to create life-changing opportunities for thousands of students each year.

As we look ahead, I am excited about what comes next. We will continue expanding our reach, strengthening our partnerships, investing in innovative educational programs, and creating more opportunities for students everywhere to discover the power of financial literacy and long-term thinking.

Thank you for believing in this mission and for investing in the next generation. Together, we are not simply teaching students about finance—we are helping them build brighter futures.

Will Landers
Young Investors Society
Executive Director

THE WORK THAT WE DO

CUMMULATIVE MEMBERSHIP 2016-2026



3,883

SCHOOLS



20,889

STUDENTS
*est.

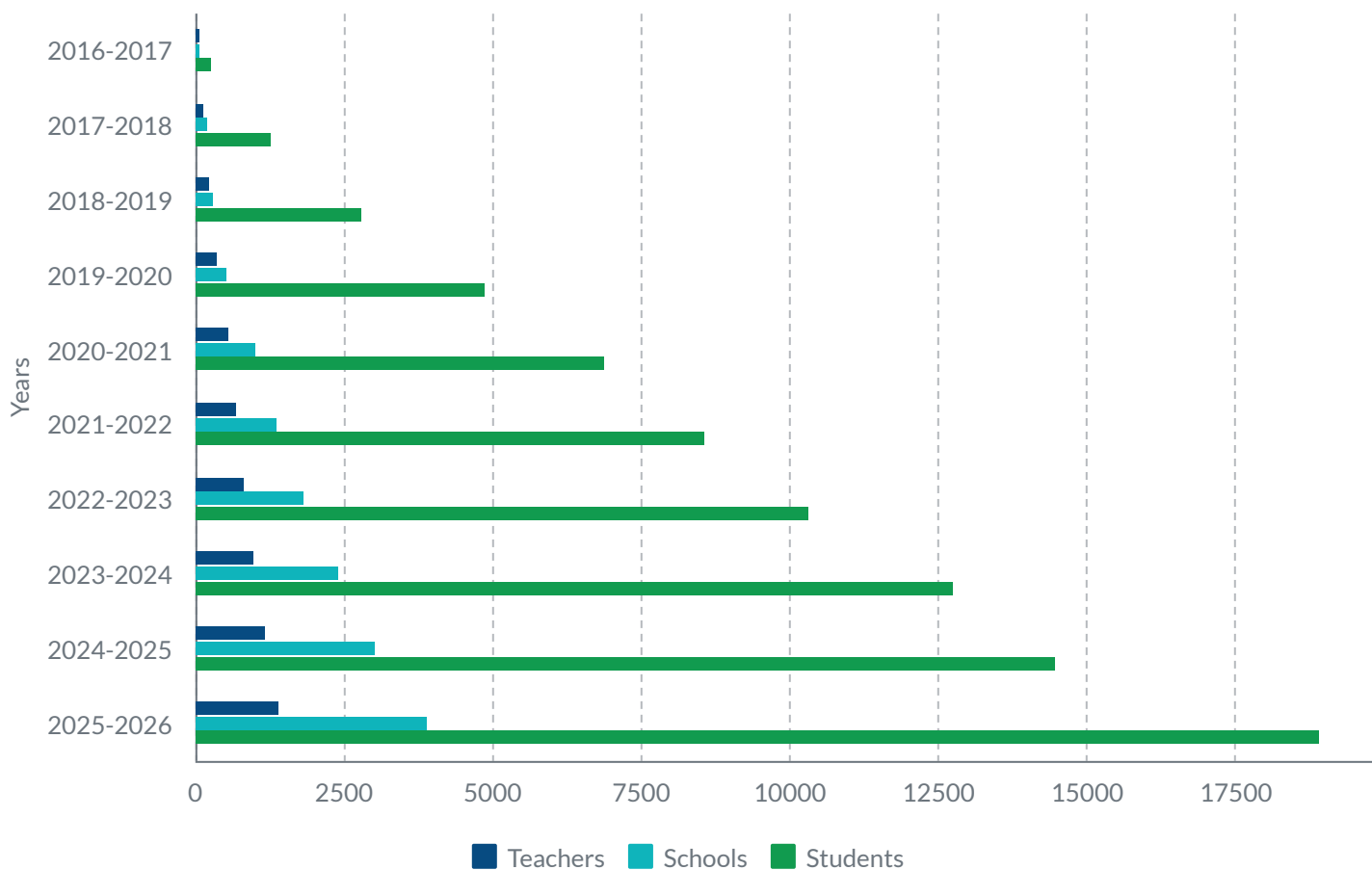


1,389

TEACHERS

*Estimated students includes students that use our curriculum in the classroom and students that have attended YIS events.

Membership Metrics



THE WORK THAT WE DO

MEMBERSHIP 2025-2026



1,789

ACTIVE
SCHOOLS



5,246

ACTIVE
STUDENTS



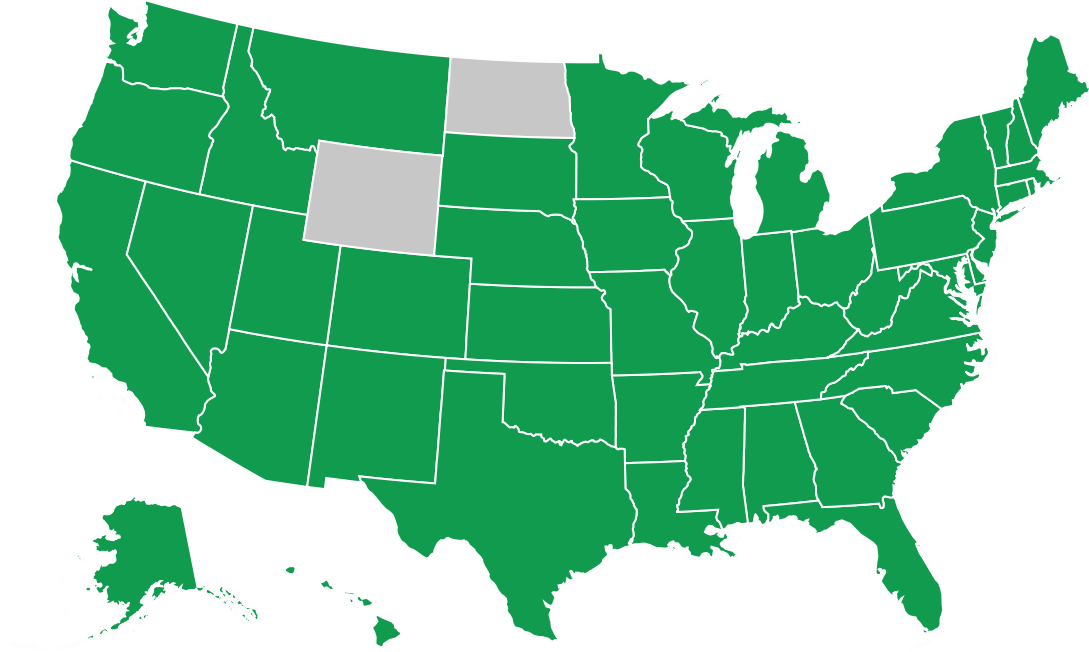
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NEW
TEACHERS

*Active Schools & Students defined as students who have logged into the MYYIS portal within the last 12 months.



YIS SCHOOLS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES 2015-2026



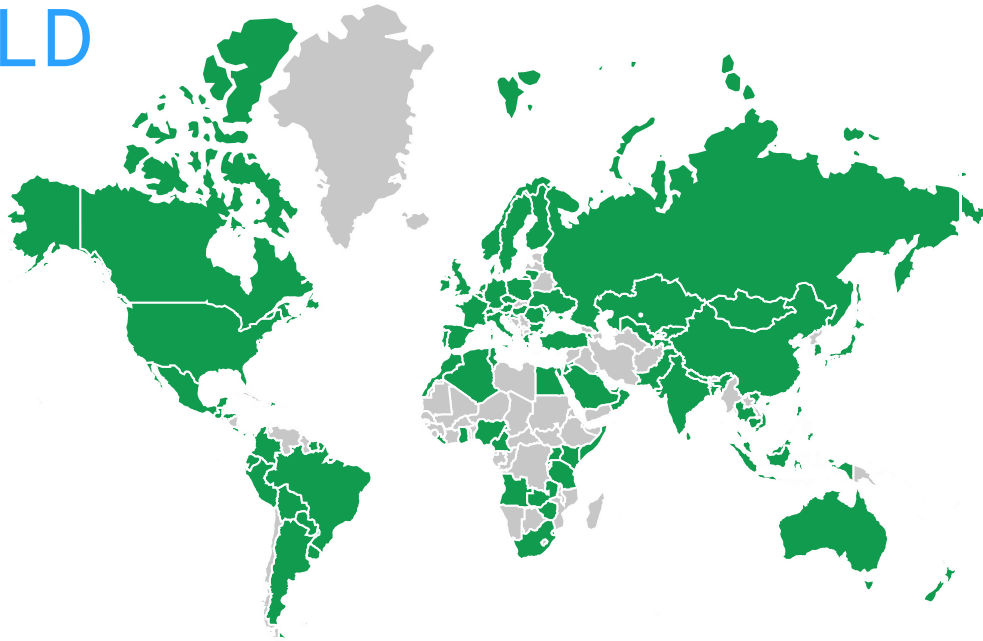
48 U.S. States

Alabama
Alaska
Arizona
Arkansas
California
Colorado
Connecticut
Delaware
Florida
Georgia
Hawaii
Idaho
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Kansas
Kentucky
Louisiana
Maine
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
Minnesota
Mississippi

Missouri
Montana
Nebraska
Nevada
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New Mexico
New York
North Carolina
Ohio
Oregon
Oklahoma
Pennsylvania
Rhode Island
South Carolina
South Dakota
Tennessee
Texas
Utah
Vermont
Virginia
Washington
West Virginia
Wisconsin

YIS SCHOOLS ACROSS THE WORLD

2015-2026



105 Countries

Africa

Algeria

Angola

Argentina

Armenia

Australia

Austria

Bahrain

Bangladesh

Belgium

Bolivia

Brazil

Bulgaria

Cambodia

Canada

China

Colombia

Costa Rica

Croatia

Cyprus

Czech Republic

Denmark

Dominican Republic

Ecuador

El Salvador

England

Egypt

Finland

France

Germany

Ghana

Greece

Guam

Guatemala

Honduras

Hong Kong SAR

Hungary

India

Indonesia

Ireland

Israel

Italy

Jamaica

Japan

Jordan

Kazakhstan

Kenya

Kuwait

Kyrgyzstan

Liberia

Lithuania

Luxembourg

Malaysia

Mauritius

Mexico

Moldova

Mongolia

Morocco

Nepal

Netherlands

New Zealand

Nigeria

Norway

Oman

Pakistan

Panama

Paraguay

Peru

Philippines

Poland

Portugal

Puerto Rico

Qatar

Romania

Russia

Rwanda

Saudi Arabia

Scotland

Singapore

Slovenia

Somalia

South Africa

South Korea

Spain

Sri Lanka

Suriname

Sweden

Switzerland

Swaziland

Taiwan

Tajikistan

Tanzania

Thailand

Trinidad/Tobago

Tunisia

Turkey

United States

Uganda

Ukraine

Uruguay

Uzbekistan

Vietnam

Wales

Zambia

Zimbabwe

YIS MEMBERSHIP

STUDENTS ACROSS THE WORLD

2025-2026

Number of Active Students: 5,246

United States: 3,877

Asia: 724

Europe: 146

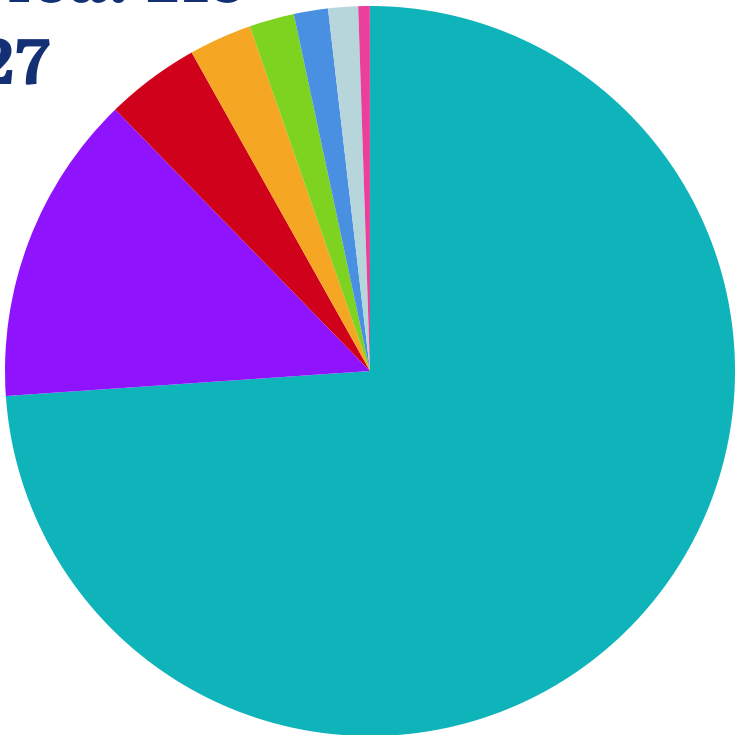
Canada: 69

Middle East: 104

Africa: 80

Latin America: 219

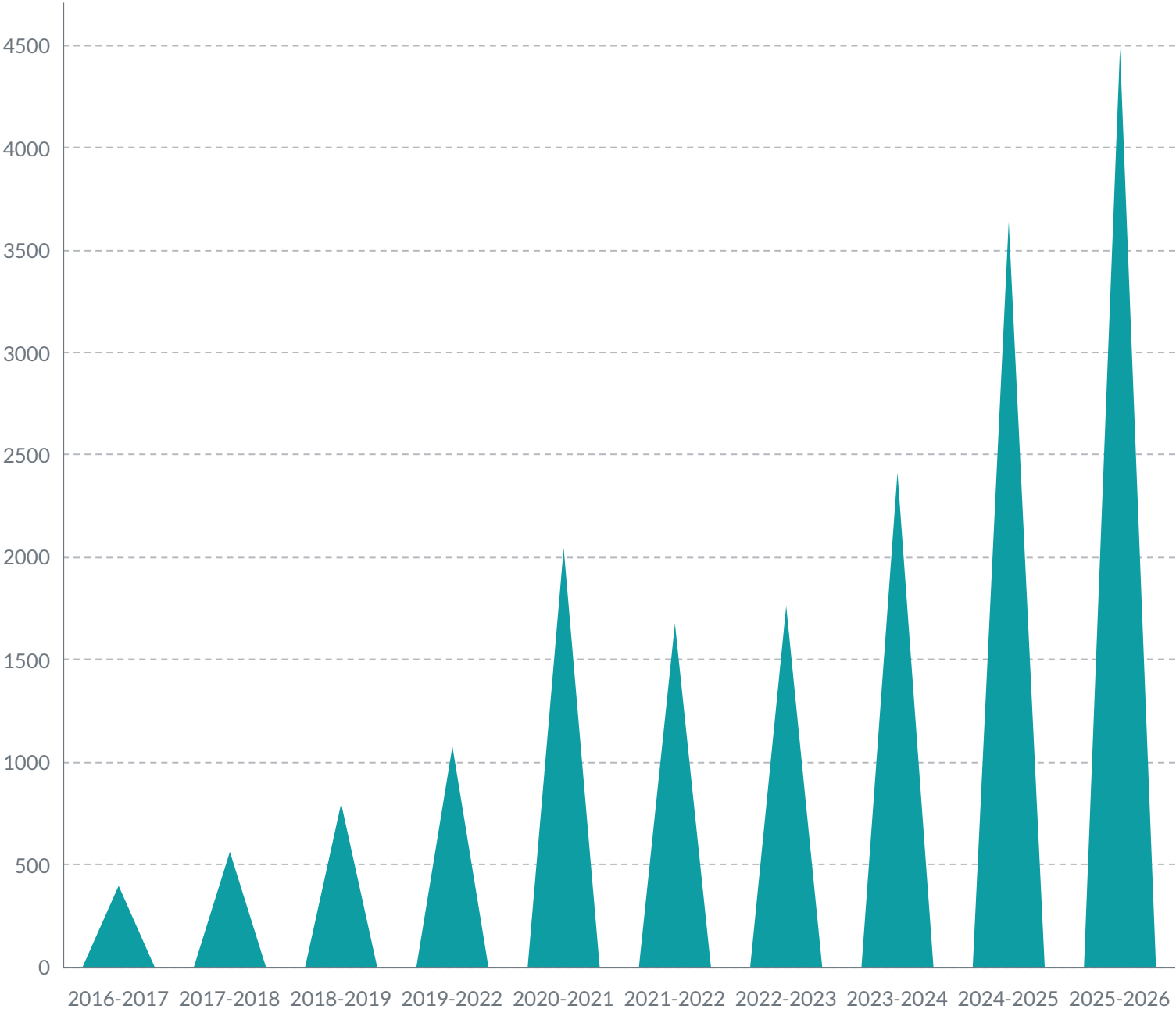
Australia: 27



United States (73.9%) Asia (13.8%) Latin America (4.17%) Europe (2.78%)
Middle East (1.98%) Africa (1.52%) Canada (1.32%) Australia (0.51%)

YIS MEMBERSHIP NEW STUDENTS 2025-2026

Number of New Students in 2025-2026 School Year: 4,485



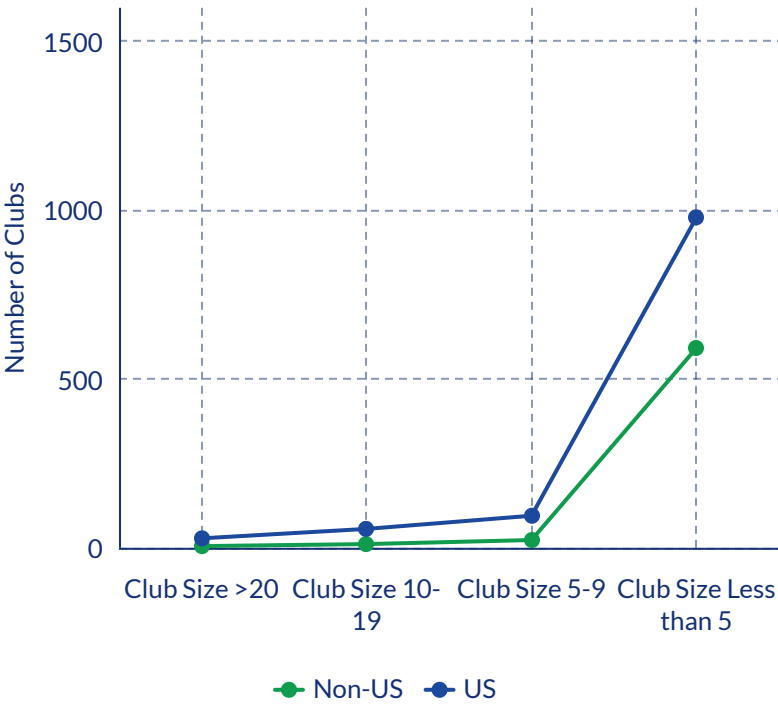
***Average of 3,513 new students added each year
for the past 3 years**

YIS MEMBERSHIP

ACTIVE SCHOOLS BY CLUB SIZE

2025-2026

Active Schools by Club Size			
Club Size	Non-US	US	Row totals
Club Size > 20	5	28	33
Club Size 10 to 19	11	56	67
Club Size 5 to 9	23	95	118
Club Size Less than 5	592	979	1,571
Grand totals	631	1,158	1,789

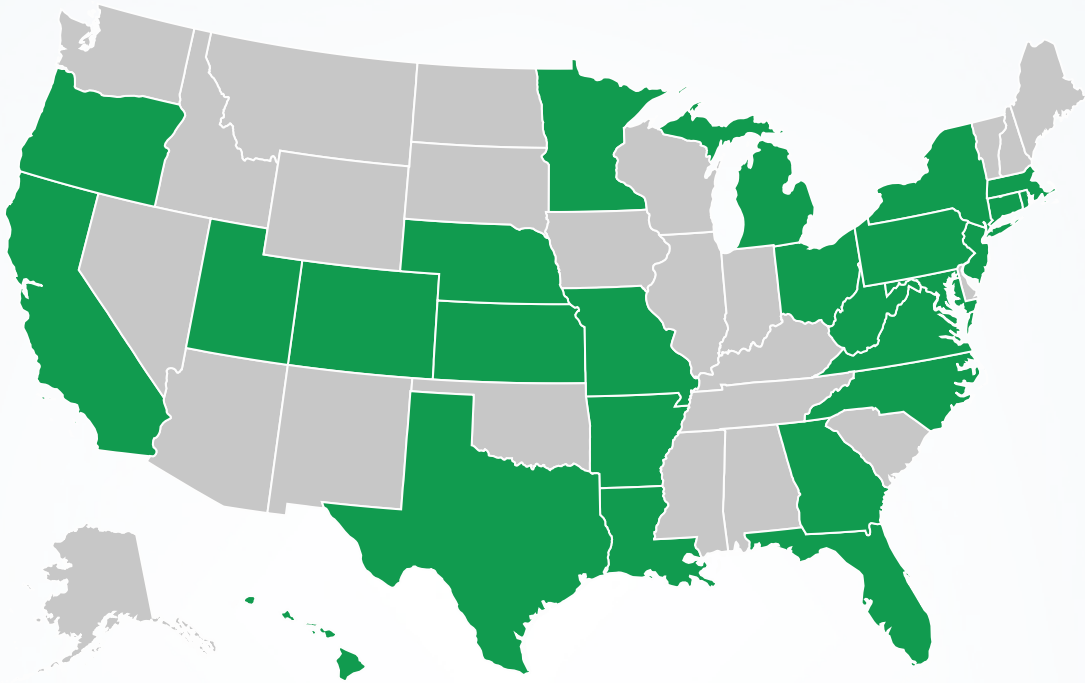


Top 3 States for Active Clubs

California: 195
Texas: 123
New York: 108

YIS ACCESS INITIATIVE

2025-2026



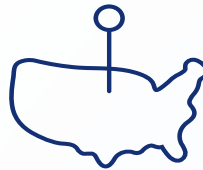
157+

ACTIVE SCHOOLS
& PARTNERS



897+

ACTIVE
STUDENTS



26

STATES



17%

STUDENTS
SERVED

The YIS Access Initiative is making a powerful impact, reaching **897 active students** across **157 schools in 26 states**, and representing approximately **17% of our entire Young Investors Society active student base**. This year, the program experienced a **12% growth**, supported by a growing network of **9 dedicated Community Access Partners** who help bring financial literacy education to underserved communities nationwide.

THE WORK THAT WE DO

PROGRAMS COMPLETED

2025-2026



382



1,340



359



624

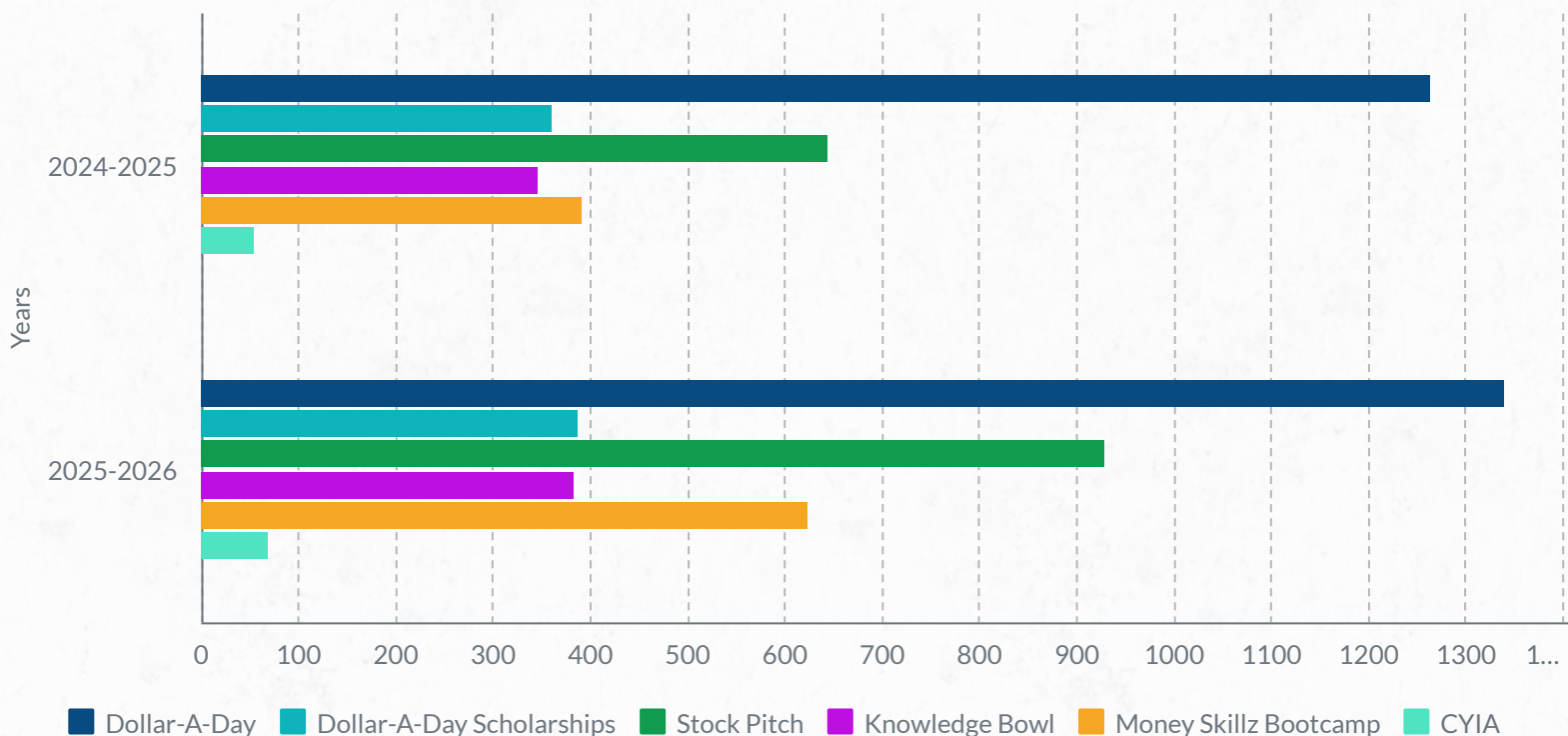


927



67

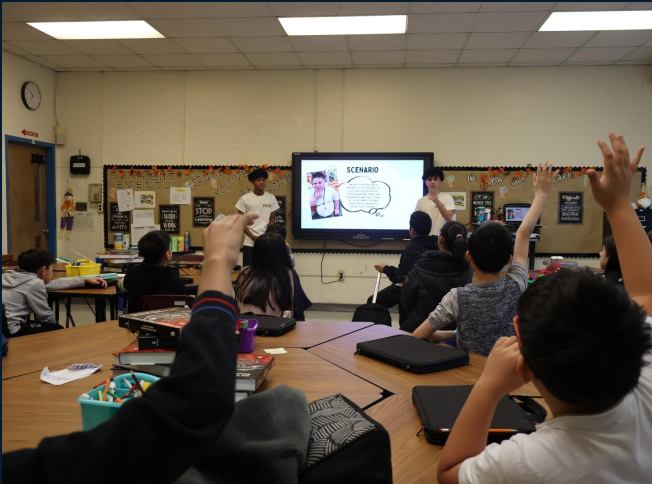
Program Metrics



2025-2026 Program Highlights Community Champions

The YIS students are making a difference far beyond the classroom by leading financial literacy and community service initiatives across the country. This year, Temi O. from Allen, Texas hosted a "Finance 4 Littles" event, teaching elementary students the fundamentals of budgeting, saving, and smart money habits. Students also expanded financial literacy through innovative initiatives like Futures Financials, a student-led nonprofit founded by Aren I. and Hans P. Together, they have reached more than 10,000 students nationwide through financial education programs, student-led chapters, and partnerships with leading organizations, demonstrating how young leaders can scale meaningful impact.

These initiatives exemplify the YIS mission of empowering students to become leaders who strengthen their communities through financial education and service.



2025-2026 Program Highlights

Stock the Shelves



Dylan S. from Horace Mann
School, New York



Aditi T. from Lake Norman Charter
High School, North Carolina

The **Stock the Shelves** initiative empowers Young Investors Society students to combat food insecurity through student-led food drives, fundraising, and volunteer service. During the 2025-2026 school year, students collected more than **220 pounds of food** and **\$350 in donations** for local families in need. By partnering with community organizations, volunteering at food distribution events, and leading grassroots outreach efforts, students demonstrated the power of service and leadership.

Stock the Shelves reflects YIS's commitment to developing compassionate, community-minded leaders who understand that investing in the future also means giving back to those in need.

YIS Finance Knowledge Bowl

The 2026 YIS Finance Knowledge Bowl brought together 382 high school students for a virtual competition testing their personal finance and investing knowledge. The top 25 finalists advanced to the Analyst for a Day Finals, showcasing their skills in real-world financial analysis. The event continues to inspire students through engaging, competitive learning.



Finance Knowledge Bowl Winners

- 1st Place: Sai K: Rouse High School, TX
- 2nd Place: Rhythmay G: Rouse High School, TX
- 3rd Place: Daniel C: American Heritage, FL

YIS Fireside Chat

YIS Fireside Chats are engaging virtual events where finance and business professionals from a variety of fields share their personal stories, career journeys, and insights with YIS high school students. These sessions provide a unique opportunity for students to explore potential career paths in finance and investing, while participating in interactive Q&A sessions that allow them to ask questions and gain valuable advice directly from industry experts.

Fall 2025



Arpan Shah: Managing Director at Goldman Sachs

Christina Malbon: Assistant Portfolio Manager at Patient Capital Management

Winter 2025



Deepa Pakianathan Ph.D.: Biotech Investor at Delphi Ventures

Pablo Mitchell: Head of Quantitative Development at Ash Capital Management

Spring 2026



Jerilyn Castillo-McAniff: Managing Director & Head of Diversity & Inclusion at Oaktree Capital Management

Bobby Edemeka: Co-head of Income & Listed Infrastructure Investment Team & Portfolio Manager
Jennison Associates, LLC

Girls in Finance 2026



Amy Hu Sunderland, CFA: Research Analyst & Portfolio Manager at Grandeur Peak Global Advisors

Madison Clement: Private Equity Senior Associate at Eagle Tree Capital

Angelica Blesa: Senior Analyst at UTIMCO

YIS Ask The Expert Series

This year, YIS launched the Ask the Expert series, a monthly virtual event connecting students with experienced finance professionals for real-world discussions on investing and the financial markets. Through expert-led presentations and interactive Q&A sessions, students gained practical insights into stock analysis, market trends, risk management, and careers in finance. The series provides students with direct access to industry leaders, helping bridge the gap between classroom learning and real-world investing.

What Really Moves the Market?



Thomas Flannery: President at Flannery Consulting
Claudio Brocado: Former Portfolio Manager at Batterymarch and avid investor

Risk Management for Teens



Susan Kempler: Previous Managing Director and Portfolio Manager at Nuveen
Stephan Abraham: Head of Margin Analysis-Fractional CFO at FINZ

How Professionals Analyze Stocks



Dylan Yolles: Former Portfolio Manager at Capital Group
Sally Du: Portfolio Manager & Equity Research at BlackRock

YIS Dollar-A-Day Challenge



As the official online brokerage of Young Investors Society, Webull proudly sponsors the Dollar-a-Day Challenge, an initiative designed to encourage students to begin their investing journey and develop lifelong investing habits. The program inspires students to open a custodial or brokerage account, learn the fundamentals of investing, and experience the power of consistent, long-term investing.

YOUNG INVESTORS SOCIETY **DOLLAR-A-DAY CHALLENGE**

“With the YIS Dollar-A-Day scholarship and my current savings, I plan to invest in Pure Storage.

Pure Storage is a leader in primary block storage platforms and is forecasted to be the highest performing storage platform for Artificial Intelligence, one of the fastest growing sectors in the world.”

~Pranav R.
American Heritage Plantation, Florida

This year, 1,340 students participated in the Challenge, and 359 students were selected to receive the Dollar-A-Day Money Match Scholarship sponsored by Webull for the 2025–2026 school year.

This partnership continues to provide students with both the education and financial incentives to build healthy investing habits early in life.

Inspiring Future Leaders: Experiencing Finance Beyond the Classroom



A highlight of the 2026 Global Youth Investment Summit was the opportunity for students to visit some of the world's leading financial institutions. Through the generosity of our partners, students participated in exclusive site visits at J.P. Morgan, Bloomberg, Webull Financial, New York Stock Exchange, Jennison Associates, and Goldman Sachs Asset Management.

These immersive experiences provided students with firsthand exposure to careers in finance, investing, technology, and capital markets. By engaging directly with industry professionals, touring renowned institutions, and exploring real-world applications of financial concepts, students gained valuable insights that extended far beyond the classroom.

We are deeply grateful to our partners for investing their time, expertise, and resources to inspire the next generation of investors and business leaders.

Their support continues to create transformative learning opportunities for students from around the world.

Inspiring Future Leaders: Experiencing Finance Beyond the Classroom



Global Youth Investment Summit



The 2026 Global Youth Investment Summit brought together students, educators, and finance professionals for a transformative two-day experience at the Cornell Tech campus on Roosevelt Island in New York City, May 28–29. Students participated in finance workshops, expert panels, networking sessions, financial strategy debate, a case study competition, and the Global Stock Pitch Competition.

325 students from 25 states and 9 countries attended, including 173 stock pitch participants. The summit was supported by 120 professionals from more than 50 leading financial firms who served as judges, panelists, and mentors, providing students with valuable insights, connections, and inspiration to pursue careers in finance.

YIS Case Study Competition



The 2026 Case Study Competition, sponsored by Oaktree Capital Management, challenged students to think like real-world investors and corporate strategists by analyzing Crocs' \$2.5 billion acquisition of Hey Dude.

Participants evaluated the strategic rationale, financial impact, growth opportunities, and risks of the deal while demonstrating their analytical thinking, teamwork, and presentation skills.

Case Study Competition Winners

Samriti V: Northwest High School, Maryland

Saher K: Northwest High School, Maryland

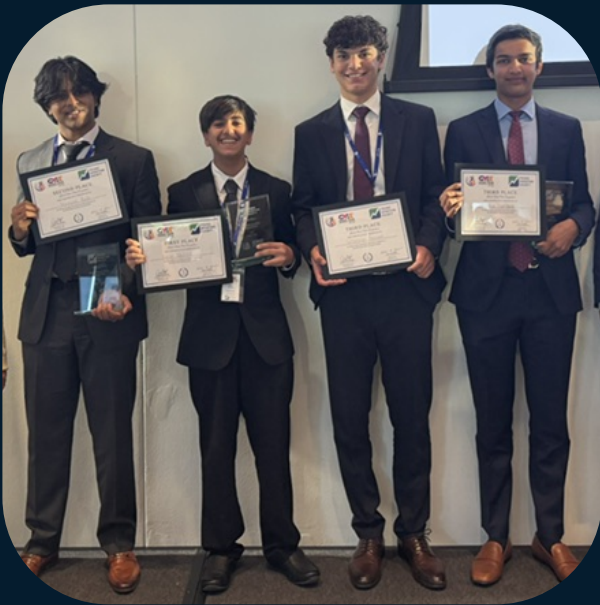
Vedant B: Independence High School, Texas

Shawn C: Stanford Online High School, Texas

2026 Global Stock Pitch Competition



The 2026 Global Stock Pitch Competition had 927 students participate in the event this year. The top 100 teams were invited to participate in the GYIS event where the teams battled to be crowned the 2026 Global Stock Pitch Champion.



2026 Global Stock Pitch Winners

1st Place: Nalin M: Redmond High School, Washington

2nd Place: Shreyan B: International School of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

3rd Place: Armaan H. & Sebastian G: Crossroads School, California

Honorable Mention: Henry C. & Landen B: Trinity High School, Kentucky

Honorable Mention: Mikael N. Staples High School, Connecticut
& Alexander A: American Heritage School, Florida

YIS Access Initiative



The YIS Access Initiative expands access to financial education by providing underserved students and schools with the resources, curriculum, mentorship, and opportunities needed to build financial knowledge and investing skills. Through partnerships with schools and community organizations, the initiative helps ensure that all students have the opportunity to participate in YIS programs.

During the 2025–2026 school year, the Access Initiative reached 897 active students across 157 schools in 26 states, representing 17% of YIS’s active student base.

The Access Initiative achieved 12% year-over-year growth and expanded through partnerships with 9 community access partners, further strengthening YIS’s commitment to making financial education accessible to students nationwide.



YIS Investing in the Future Fundraising Gala



The YIS 2026 Young Investors Society Gala in New York City brought together finance professionals, supporters, students, and educators for an inspiring evening celebrating financial literacy and the next generation of investors.

The event was made possible through the generous support of partners and representatives from Bloomberg, Grandeur Peak, Webull, Neuberger Berman, Goldman Sachs, Arise Equity Management, and SIFF, whose commitment helps advance the YIS mission.

The evening featured keynote remarks from Robert Doll, CEO and CIO of Crossmark Global Investments. We also recognized honoree Conrad Saldanha, Managing Director/Portfolio Manager at Neuberger Berman, with the YIS Steadfast Service Award for his commitment and contributions to YIS. We heard inspiring stories from student speakers Temi O. and Christian G., who shared the impact YIS has had on their educational and career journeys.

Together, we celebrated student achievements, expanded access to financial education, and recognized the collective effort of our sponsors, partners, volunteers, and supporters in empowering the next generation of financial leaders.



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We are honored to recognize and thank the sponsors and partners whose generous support makes the work of Young Investors Society possible.

We are grateful to collaborate with organizations that share our commitment to expanding access to world-class financial literacy and investment education.

Together, we are empowering students with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to make informed financial decisions, pursue future opportunities, and become the next generation of responsible investors and leaders.

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2025-2026 YIS Outstanding Teacher Awards

The YIS Outstanding Teacher Award recognizes and celebrates educators who demonstrate exceptional dedication to advancing financial literacy and enriching the lives of their students through the YIS program during the 2025-2026 academic year.



Christina Harrison: Rouse High School, Texas
Tobias Ludwig: Triangle Math & Science Academy, North Carolina
Rivana Stadlander: American Heritage Broward, Florida
Wei Wang: QD Learning, California
Sara Botkin: Canon McMillan High School, Pennsylvania
Chris DelBorrello: Sterling High School, New Jersey
Eudora Hu: Aseeder, China
John Pierce: Diamond Bar High School, California
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Scott Feldman: Great Neck South High School, New York
Felicia Lerner: Row New York, New York

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Student Testimonials

"Growing up in a rural area, I haven't always had access to opportunities to learn about finance and investing. That's why the Young Investors Society has been such an incredible resource. YIS has made learning fun for me and my friends in our school's investing club, while also giving us experiences we might never have had otherwise."

~Gretchen G.
Dunn School, CA



"YIS has been an incredible experience in shaping my understanding of finance and investing. YIS has also given me the chance to connect with inspiring peers and mentors, providing a community that continues to support and motivate my growth."

~Edwin J.
Westford Academy, MA

"YIS not only transformed my understanding of investing and finance, I also had the opportunity to network with individuals from around the world, which included professionals across financial sectors who inspired me to pursue my passion. I am incredibly grateful to have had this life-changing experience."

~Kristen H.
Langley HS, VA



"YIS has provided me a platform to learn and try new things, such as investing and pitching stocks. I've developed my presentation and speaking skills and grown in ways I would have never expected. Joining YIS is the best decision any high schooler can make."

~Neil G.
Cox Mill High School, NC

"Through my experiences in my school's YIS chapter, I have developed many important qualities, including effective communication, strategic decision making, and developing a sense of community amongst members."

~Justin M.
Montgomery High School, NJ

"YIS has given me the opportunity to grow as a leader and expand my knowledge of investing beyond the classroom. Through the program, I've gained real-world skills in finance, teamwork, and strategy that will benefit me well into the future."

~Edwin C.
Jericho High School, NY



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