

# 2022-2023 SCHOOL PROGRAM IMPACT REPORT



Griffith Observatory's most beloved initiative, its signature School Programs, has seen many iterations over the decades and served generations of students. This year, for the first time in its 88-year history, the Observatory ran two distinct programs concurrently: one in person, and the other online.

Both programs serve fifth graders and align with California state education standards. Running the two programs in tandem has increased capacity, overcome geography, and made it possible to more than double the number of student interactions annually (compared to pre-pandemic levels). The programs provide a truly accessible and free S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) educational experience.

## 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR NUMBERS

This school year was about growth and rebuilding. The online program continued to serve as it has since its inception in 2020. Additionally, the Observatory welcomed students for in-person visits for the first time since having shut down in March, 2020, due to the pandemic.

The In-person School Program ran for six weeks, two days per week, and included newly hired staff, updated training, an improved registration system, and refreshed content.

### IN-PERSON PROGRAM

**38** SCHOOLS SERVED

### ONLINE PROGRAM

**351** SCHOOLS SERVED

**75% OF SCHOOLS SERVED IN 2022-2023 ARE TITLE I**

**59,120**

**TOTAL STUDENT EXPERIENCES**

## 2022 - 2023 STUDENT COMMENTS



### JOSIAH OF SHELYN ELEMENTARY

Thank you for showing us the telescope it was really interesting to watch and learn on how that telescope was made.

Sincerely,  
Josiah

### LILIANA OF VISTA DEL VALLE ELEMENTARY

"My favorite part was learning about all the planets and how big they are and stuff. I would really like to visit Griffith Observatory again, maybe in a week or so. I really liked the program. I learned lots of new things."



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The In-person and Online School Programs maintain our commitment to local fifth-grade students and teachers while providing access to schools across the state and around the world. For teacher resources and more about the programs, visit:

[obs.la/school](https://obs.la/school)

### DONATE

Griffith Observatory's School Programs are offered free thanks to funding from Griffith Observatory Foundation. You can join in support of this and other innovative programs with a donation. Any amount supports accessible S.T.E.A.M. programming for all.

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