OUR MISSION

To EMPOWER students to become 21st-century thinkers by awakening their entrepreneurial spirit, INSPIRING them to become the architects of their futures, and giving them the CONFIDENCE to transform their world.
Dear Friends,

In my 9 years at BizWorld I’ve had the privilege to work closely with hundreds of educators, community partners, and students from all over the country. I’ve seen firsthand how our programs transform students into leaders, problem solvers, and forward thinkers.

This past year we launched two cohorts of our Young Entrepreneur Success Program to further ensure that young people are supported and equipped to be the innovative leaders of our future. The YES! Program represents the pinnacle of the entrepreneurial pathway we have created since the inception of Bizworld 24 years ago.

Thanks to your support, to date we have been able to provide $50,000 in seed funding to 8 companies, started by entrepreneurs as young as 16. These businesses not only continue to operate, but have been able to leverage the support they received to build new technology, launch new products, and grow their markets.

As we look to the future, we are committed to continuing to build an ecosystem that promotes entrepreneurship and leadership for generations to come.

“Instilling an entrepreneurial mindset early allows us to expand the boundaries of education to prepare young people to recognize their value, seek opportunities for self-advocacy, and meet the demands of future societal needs.”

Charlene Vaca
CEO, BizWorld.org
Our Impact

2020-2021 School Year

- 623 Classes Taught
- 16,343 Students Reached
- 98% Classes improved their knowledge of business concepts
- 51% Classes in U.S. public schools are low to moderate income*
- 84% Students improved knowledge of career options

*Low to moderate income schools are defined as those where 40% or more of students qualify for free or reduced meals
Young Entrepreneur Success Program

Winter & Summer 2021 Cohorts

- 99 Mentors Participated
- 43 Young Entrepreneurs Participated
- 83% Businesses still operating after 1 year*
- 22 Businesses Accelerated
- 80% from low to moderate income households
- 81% BIPOC Owned Businesses

*Based on 1 year post report from 2019 cohort
Students Improve Their Knowledge of Business Concepts

Our pre- and post-assessment data shows that students who participated in BizWorld over the last 5 years significantly increased their knowledge about business, entrepreneurship, finance, and money management.

- **Concept of Profit**: Pre: 43%, Post: 57%
- **Banks & Interest Rates**: Pre: 70%, Post: 51%
- **Concept of Pricing**: Pre: 51%, Post: 63%
- **Investing in a Company**: Pre: 32%, Post: 64%
- **Importance of Tracking Finances**: Pre: 46%, Post: 64%
- **Buying and Selling Stocks**: Pre: 36%, Post: 69%
- **Calculating Profit**: Pre: 29%, Post: 73%
- **Concept of Revenue**: Pre: 27%, Post: 61%
- **Marketing**: Pre: 45%, Post: 62%
- **Manufacturing**: Pre: 27%, Post: 60%
We measure the results of assessments from students' self-assessment of their own 21st century skills after completing BizWorld.org programs. These findings are consistent with a randomized field experiment conducted on 2,751 school children who participated in the BizWorld program in the Netherlands in 2012.*

**Students Build 21st Century Skills**

- **Collaboration**: 85% of students reported excellent teamwork and collaboration skills, such as listening to other people's ideas.
- **Critical Thinking**: 79% of students reported advanced critical-thinking skills, such as analyzing the effects of decisions.
- **Real World Skills**: 77% of students reported advanced critical-thinking skills, such as analyzing the effects of decisions.
- **Communication**: 75% of students reported strong communication skills, such as confidence speaking in front of others.
- **Leadership**: 72% of students reported important leadership skills, such as being able to motivate others.
In 2021 we launched two cohorts, Winter and Summer, of our Young Entrepreneur Success Program (YES!). YES! helps high-potential youth aged 16-22 bridge the gap from entrepreneurial vision to business reality by providing the necessary tools and resources to create their own start-ups. Through our virtual 12-week program, YES! participants receive technical assistance, mentorship, networking opportunities, and access to capital to create thriving new enterprises.
Global business experts act as mentors helping young entrepreneurs develop viable business plans through individual coaching and tailored workshops. All phases of the YES! program are free and inclusive of businesses from any industry or stage of development.

At the conclusion of each cohort the top businesses are selected to pitch at our YES! Demo Day for the opportunity to receive seed funding. In 2021, we awarded $30,000 in funding to youth-run businesses with the help of a panel of expert judges including:

**Tim Draper**  
Founder, BizWorld.org, Draper Associates & Draper Venture Network

**Erika Cramer**  
Managing Member & General Partner, How Woman Invest

**Mergen Chuluun**  
Managing Partner, Exponential Partners  
Founder, Growth Summit Global

**Jared Yellin**  
CEO & Co-Founder, Project 10k
Amity Connections is a health-based technology company that offers a mobile platform that connects family members with the health of their elders by aggregating real-time health data from smart medical devices onto a single mobile platform.

Her-Rah! 1st Bra was founded to help girls celebrate the milestone of buying their first bra by creating fun, exciting, and customizable first bra options!
Kiyner Corp - owned by Kiyle Gardner - is a Florida startup trying to disrupt the baby pacifier market with an innovative multi-utility product (patent pending) that should transform the product category and its benefits and help establish a brand new revenue model for the industry with a potential to grow it by 20X.

Doughkeeper is a financial management app specifically designed for kids.

Doughkeeper
Nitya (16), Founder

Akki's Cupcakery
Akeila (16), CEO

Akki's Cupcakery & Tea is an online bakery that distributes freshly made Vegan, Keto, Paleo, and Gluten-free Cakes and Cupcakes using healthier organic ingredients.
"Being a part of the YES! program gave me the confidence to pursue my business", said John Ciocca. "Not only did I have access to some incredible mentors throughout the program, but I also had the continued support of the entire Bizworld community. After Demo Day, the seed funding allowed us to launch Purple, and I was beyond thrilled."

Since 2019, John Ciocca reports that his team has nearly doubled the number of youBelong users and has a 51% retention rate of members on his platform. After completing BizWorld’s YES! program, he said," We expanded to work on Purple so that we could successfully build financial products that enable people with disabilities to spend, save and invest for a better life."

Read the full case study [here](#) or by scanning this QR code:
"I am in college right now and I am a junior. I'm getting a bachelor in business but I think during my business classes and my marketing classes, we go through the surface of a lot of terminology, and ways of doing things, but what I have really liked about what I have learned through the YES program, especially with talking with a lot of the professionals, is you're going into a much deeper level even than what I am getting in my college classes... It's just really practical instead of just reading from a textbook. It's an experience I don't know how to attach a price tag to"

Hear more from Itzel [here](#) or by scanning this QR code:

Want to hear from more Alumni? Listen to testimonials from our 2021 YES! Cohorts [here](#):
“We are proud to support BizWorld and the extraordinary work they do to empower our future leaders. Our team thoroughly enjoyed spending time with the young entrepreneurs in the cohorts - we were so inspired by their ideas and commitment to their business ideas. By engaging students in the YES! Program, BizWorld is inspiring youth to achieve their highest potential, and for that, we are thrilled to call them our partners.”

-Sandy Walia, Managing Director, Regional President at Union Bank.
“For me, and probably for most entrepreneurs, probably the biggest reward is to be able to help others and especially those who are just getting started and that's why I signed up to be business coach. To share a little bit about what I've learned over the last decade plus of being an entrepreneur with someone else who is just getting started feels great and you're really helping people along.”

“I really appreciated how (Eric) took the time to understand what New World Narrative is about ... starting out can be very daunting and confusing for a young entrepreneur but after the accelerator program I definitely feel like I left knowing a little bit more than what I came in. More specifically I felt more confident in calling myself an entrepreneur because I was equipped with the technical things like how to create a business plan, how to create a budget for the business, but I think what was most rewarding for me is knowing that I can convey my message to other people in a very confident and passionate way.

Hear more from their interview here:
Celebrating Entrepreneurship

In 2021 we were once again able to hold our Annual Education Riskmaster Luncheon where we celebrated the entrepreneurs, educators, and youth central to our mission.

2021 RISKMASTER HONOREE

Marco Zappacosta
CEO & Co-Founder, Thumbtack

Marco Zappacosta is the co-founder and CEO of Thumbtack, a technology leader building the all-in-one home care platform helping customers find and hire skilled professionals. Marco is a self-taught entrepreneur who started Thumbtack right out of college based on the belief that he could help solve an age-old problem — why is it so hard to hire a plumber? Or any local professional?

Through the Thumbtack app, homeowners can effortlessly manage their greatest asset confidently knowing what to do, when to do it, and who to hire. Today, Thumbtack spans every county in the U.S. and covers hundreds of local service categories.

Marco has been recognized on Forbes’ 30 Under 30 list and has been featured in media outlets including The New York Times, Fortune, The Wall Street Journal and CNBC.
2021 EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

Wendy Tibbs
Educator, Alabama

Wendy Tibbs has been teaching BizWorld for nearly 20 years to her 4th through 6th grade students. She has been a strong advocate of bringing entrepreneurship education to her students - participating in our Bizworld, BizMovie, and Impact Challenge programs.

In her acceptance speech she outlined the “Top 10 reasons why Bizworld should be a part of every student’s education” and thanked the audience saying “I need to say thank you to each of you here today, for your part in supporting this organization, which has brought so much depth and complexity to my classroom, other classrooms, for what a difference in the lives of students!”

With elementary and middle school youth unable to join the luncheon this year due to COVID-19 precautions, we invited Alumni from our YES! program to join us in person, via ZOOM, and through recorded sessions.

Left to right: Tim Draper, Marco Zappacosta, Wendy Tibbs, and Charlene Vaca

Valentina Quijano and Miranda Odio of Learn, Alumni of YES! Summer 2021, joined via ZOOM to chat with their Business Coach Michele Hanson about their experience during the program.

Mateo Galvez of LottaWorldWide, Alumni of YES! 2019, joined to moderate discussion with his fellow Alumni and remark on his journey through YES!

Yabundu of New World Narrative sat down with Business Coach Eric Facas in a pre-recorded session to reflect on their mentoring experience.
BizWorld provides entrepreneurship education not only across the United States, but also in 11 countries across the globe.

**North America:**
- Mexico

**Europe:**
- Netherlands
- United Kingdom

**Asia:**
- China-Beijing
- Hong Kong
- Japan
- Jordan
- Taiwan
- UAE

**Africa:**
- Egypt
- Nigeria

**HQ:**
- USA
In 2021 BizWorld expanded to Japan. Sayuri Tanaka, CEO of BizWorld Japan, is leading the new entity operated by IKIRU LLC.

BizWorld Japan hopes to foster an entrepreneurial “mindset” that is not widely spread in Japan yet. According to a survey by the Global Entrepreneurship Monitor (GEM), Japan ranks 50th out of 50 countries in terms of “business knowledge and skills”.

"Just as BizWorld has 20 years of history, entrepreneurship education for primary education in Japan has 20 years of negative history", says Sayuri Tanaka, CEO of BizWorld Japan. "We are very happy to have joined the BizWorld family. The introduction of a full-fledged entrepreneurship education is both innovative, exciting and needed. BizWorld will finally open the door for this critical type of primary education in Japan, and I am very grateful to BizWorld for giving us such an opportunity."

BizWorld Japan's goal is to restore the self-esteem of all children through the BizWorld program.
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### Financial Reports

#### Summarized Statement of Financial Position (FY ends August 31) 2020-2021

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#### Expenses
- 88% Program
- 6% Development
- 5% Management & Administration

#### Revenues
- 40% Corporate
- 33% Individual and Family Foundations
- 1% Foundation
- 26% Earned Income
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Our YES! Program could not exist without the contribution of entrepreneurs and business leaders willing to invest their time and knowledge at this critical starting point for young entrepreneurs. There are several ways you can contribute:

- **Business Coach:** 12+ hours of 1:1 virtual coaching with a YES! Business – you will witness the development of a business idea into reality over a period of 12 week

- **Business Advisor:** 1-2 hours of virtual advice to a YES! business on a topic in your field of expertise

- **Workshop Advisor:** Present at, or be part of a panel of advisors, during a YES! virtual workshop
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