1. Sitar Serves Those in Need

80% of our students are from low income households.

Of those, 78% come from households that are below 30% of the median household income for Washington, DC.
2. Sitar’s students gain essential skills

- 89% Collaboration
- 90% Communication
- 86% Initiative & Accountability
- 86% Creative & Critical Thinking

Sitar student proficiency in the four targeted 21st century learning skills

3. Sitar students succeed at a higher rate than their peers

- Sitar: 100% High School Graduation Rate
- DC: 65%

“Sitar was and always has been my anchor through thick and thin. We are a large family.” - Sitar Alum

93% of our alumni surveyed are in a 2 or 4 year college/university
4. SITAR’S TEENS ARE PREPARED FOR THE WORKFORCE

PUNCTUALITY 90%
FLEXIBILITY 82%
FOLLOW THROUGH 80%
INDEPENDENCE 76%

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNS SHOWING IMPROVEMENT IN THESE SKILLS

TOP SKILLS THAT EMPLOYERS WANT
ANALYTICAL SKILLS
COLLABORATION
COMMUNICATION
CRITICAL THINKING
FLEXIBILITY
INITIATIVE
INNOVATION
LEADERSHIP
STRONG WORK ETHIC
WILLINGNESS TO LEARN

SITAR TEEN INTERN

“I LEARNED THAT KNOWING HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH DIFFERENT PEOPLE IS A REALLY BIG SKILL TO HAVE.”

“I HAD IMPROVEMENT IN BEING A ROLE MODEL BECAUSE I REALIZED MANY OF THE CHILDREN HERE LOOK UP TO ME SO I HAVE TO BE A BETTER INFLUENCE.” - SITAR TEEN INTERN
5. Camp Sitar Helps Stop the Summer Slide

Summer Slide = 2.5 Years Behind

Over the course of their entire elementary years, low-income children can enter middle school 2.5 years behind due to the lack of access to summer education.

Over 80% of Camp Sitar students showed improvement in 21st century learning skills between the beginning and end of summer.

“Students really took to researching their topics independently and coming up with their own conclusions. I saw great improvement in sustained reading.” - Sitar Teacher

Camp Sitar = Summer Climb
6. Sitar Bridges Gaps

By the age of 3, high-income children have double the vocabulary of low-income children.

Students who do not read proficiently by third grade are 4x more likely to leave high school without a diploma.

Sitar’s Early Childhood Program Advances Children’s Development Increasing Their School Readiness

92% of students began using new words learned in their early childhood arts class.
76% of Sitar Early Childhood parents reported that they read with their children every day by the end of the semester.

"My daughter is more motivated to read and has learned the colors and numbers in English." - Sitar Parent

"I learned how to read in a way that is fun and gets my child's attention." - Sitar Parent

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