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**Spring 2017 Highlights**

Girls Inc. of Greater Houston has had a very exciting and eventful spring semester. Because of our donors, we were able to do the following projects.

- **Girls Inc. partnered with 13 schools and mentored over 254 girls this semester.** Topics covered include STEM, economic literacy, media literacy, anti-bullying, know your rights, robotics, and more.
- **Dayna Steele hosted a special viewing of the movie *Hidden Figures*** for our girls in March. Over 200 girls and family members attended. After the movie, special guests from NASA and other related industries spoke to the girls about overcoming obstacles and creating paths to success.
- **For our Spring Break Camp, we had 19 girls who participated in activities** such as making lip gloss with Flour, a media activity with KHOU, Krav Maga, rugby, women in aviation presentations, and a museum hop day that included three different museums.
- **We hosted "Money Talks," a financial literacy seminar** on Saturday, March 10. This is a pilot program where both parents and girls participate. Attendees learned financial literacy concepts, setting short-term and long-term goals, and ways to make it easier for parents and girls to talk about money and money messages.
- **Our Kashmere High School girls went on a field trip to Macquarie Energy** where they were able to tour the facility and learn firsthand from their employees about the energy industry. They participated in a mock energy trade call and learned about various career paths you can take from learning economics, finance, business, and engineering.



**Camp Bit Smart – Time to register for summer camp!**

Camp BitSmart, for girls ages 7-12, will be held June 12-23 at Houston Baptist University, 7502 Fondren Road. At camp, girls will get messy as they explore hands-on STEM experiments, express themselves through artistic activities, participate in physical activities, go on educational field trips, and meet dynamic guest speakers. Cost is \$150 per week. Limited financial aid available. For questions or to register, email [sarah@girlsinc-houston.org](mailto:sarah@girlsinc-houston.org) or call 713-802-2260.





## Houston Girls Travel to D.C. for “Take Your Daughter To Congress Day.”

Elina Goswami, 10, and Jordyn Wright, 10, joined several other Girls Inc. participants from around the country to get a behind-the-scenes look of the life of a U.S. House Representative. Rep. Jackson-Lee, who represents Texas’ 18th congressional district, gave the girls a tour of her office and brought them to various meetings, including a House committee floor hearing – a special opportunity only given to the Girls Inc. of Greater Houston affiliate. Elina and Jordyn sat right next to Rep. Jackson-Lee during the meeting and were even featured on television.

After their time with Rep. Jackson-Lee, the girls ventured around D.C. to see the city’s iconic landmarks, including the Washington Monument and Lincoln Memorial. Both Elina and Jordyn learned so much during their trip to D.C. and became even more inspired to make a difference in the world. Although they are still young, it certainly wouldn’t be surprising if we see them as congresswomen on Capitol Hill in the future!

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KHOU attendees and Chinquapin Girls.



Left to right: Lisa Malosky, Stacy Humphries, Dayna Steele, and Tiffany Masterson

## Strong, Smart, and Bold Celebration Wrap-Up

On April 19, Girls Inc. held their **21st Annual Strong, Smart, and Bold Celebration**. More than 300 people attended and raised over \$100,000 in support of our programs. Special thanks to Veronica and Aaron Foley for chairing the event. Thanks again to all of our sponsors.

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