

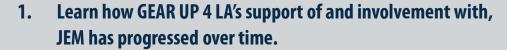
# A JEM of a Program:

**Supporting Math Advancement** 

Monday, July 17, 2023

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#### **Today's Goals**



- 2. Explore how GEAR UP 4 LA's model might enhance your math support programs.
- 3. Examine results of a quasi-experimental evaluation of JEM participation.



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#### **Agenda**

- 1. Introductions and context
- 2. JEM: Why, What and How
- 3. Engaging and supporting students
- 4. Our results
- 5. Q&A





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# Please stand up if....

- 1. You serve primarily rural communities.
- 2. You serve primarily urban communities.
- 3. You offer academic enrichment programs in your grant.
- 4. You provide a math enrichment program.





#### **Our GU4LA Context/Why Math**

99% 93%

Title I Latinx

42% 28%

English Ready (2022) Math Ready (2022)





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#### Jaime Escalante Mathematics (JEM): Why & What

#### Why:

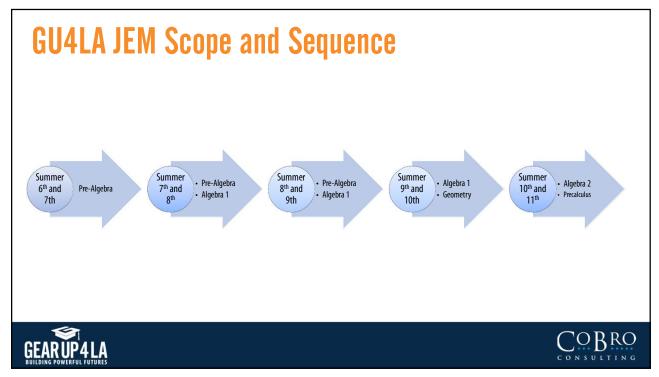
- Local need
- Break the fear of Math
- Enhance Math Skills

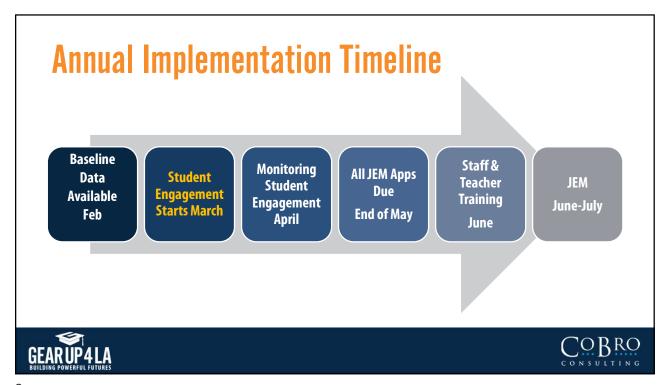
#### What:

- A math program that takes a year's worth of math and condenses it into an intensive 4-6 weeks course either to make up credits or for enrichment.
- High School Teachers: hired as Adjunct Instructor









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#### **Engaging Students**

- Following a set criteria
  - Past and in-progress grades
  - Transcript
- Involved Parents
- Academic Counselors and teachers





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#### **Your Turn: Mock Advising**

- Form groups of 2-3
- Decide who will be the school adult adviser and who will be the student.
- Review the scenarios
- Focus: How would you advise the student in each scenario?





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#### Scenario 1: English Learner

- Academic GPA: 3.0
- Options:
  - LAUSD provides enrichment for English Learners to strengthen their English skills and help them reclassify the following year during the summer.
  - College Class
  - JEM





#### Scenario 2: Low GPA

- Academic GPA: 2.3
- State College minimum eligibility academic GPA is 2.5.
- Options:
  - Sports Practice
  - JEM





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#### **Scenario 3: Special Education**

- Academic GPA: 4.3
- No extracurricular activities
- High Functioning Autism
  - Unable to sit in one place for a long period of time, tends to have uncontrollable outburst.
- Behavior Intervention Implementation Support (BII) during the school year.
- School has no funding for BII during the summer





#### **Scenario 4:**

- Academic GPA: 4.1
- School Rank #1 (wants to be valedictorian)
- Multiple Extracurricular Activities
- Options:
  - College research opportunity
  - JEM
  - College Course



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#### **Ensuring Student Success: During**

- Provide on-site and in-class support
- Advisor makes check-in calls home, especially when

#### student is absent

- Advising Cycle
- In-person tutoring and tutor.com
- Tutoring Cycle







#### **Ensuring Student Success: After**

- Advise students who earned C's
- Ensure students who earned A's and B's are placed in the correct math classes
- Ensure grades are correctly recorded





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# **Implementation Lessons Learned**

What are some challenges that you have encountered when implementing any enrichment program?

How have you overcome them?





#### **GU4LA Lessons Learned**

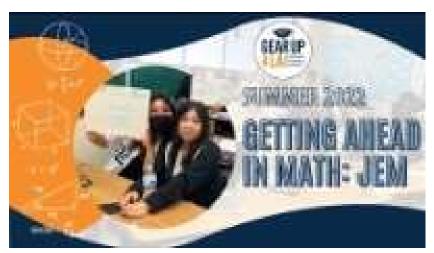
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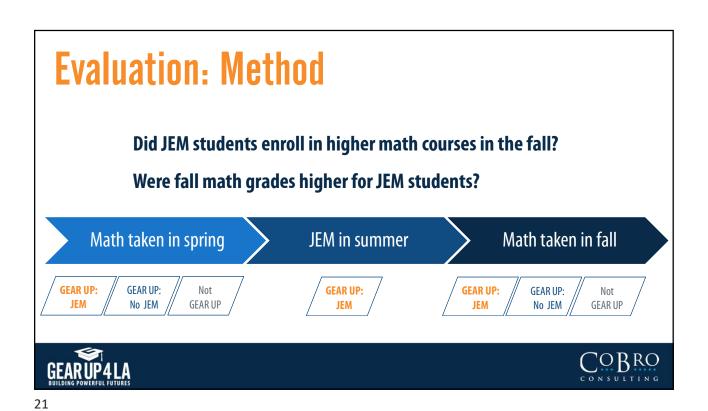
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#### **Testimonials**









Comparison groups matched 1 to 1 on four criteria:

Spring grade level

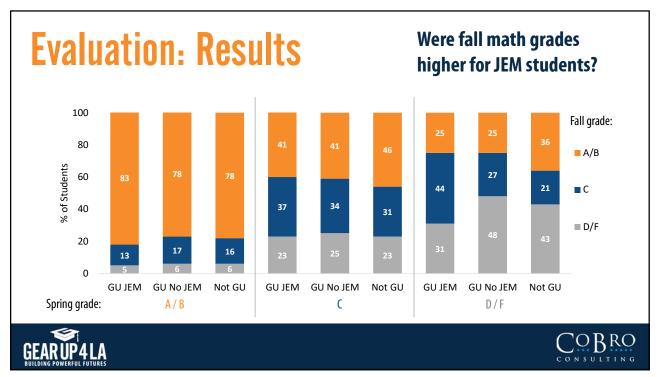
Grade in spring math course\*

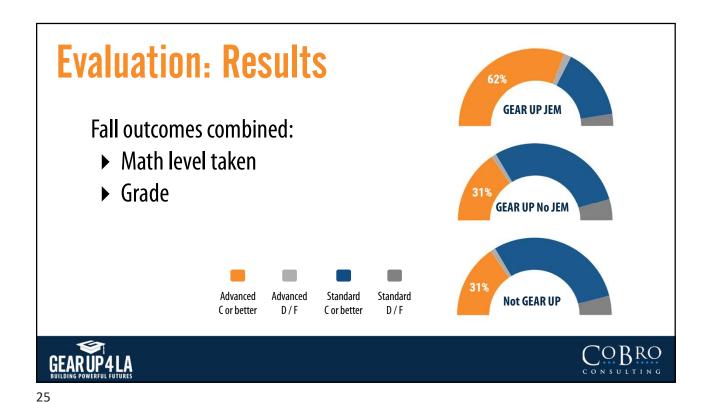
Spring GPA

\*Including level of math course

# Evaluation: Results Did JEM students enroll in higher math courses in the fall? Advanced math in fall GEAR UP JEM GEAR UP NO JEM Not GEAR UP SCENDIDALA COBRO

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"Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning,

studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do." — Pele









