WHAT ALUMNI SAY

97%

would recommend the program to a young person from a background like theirs

"The program helped me..."



71%

say they probably would not have finished high school without it

"It was a way out."

Alumnus with one parent incarcerated and the other addicted

"Growing up, I was surrounded by poverty and addiction and incarceration. I never really imagined a different path for myself until RISE showed me that there are other ways to build your life and your future."

Alumnus, Johns Hopkins interview

Your gift pays tuition at a school that works.

$5,000 covers one child's tuition for a year.

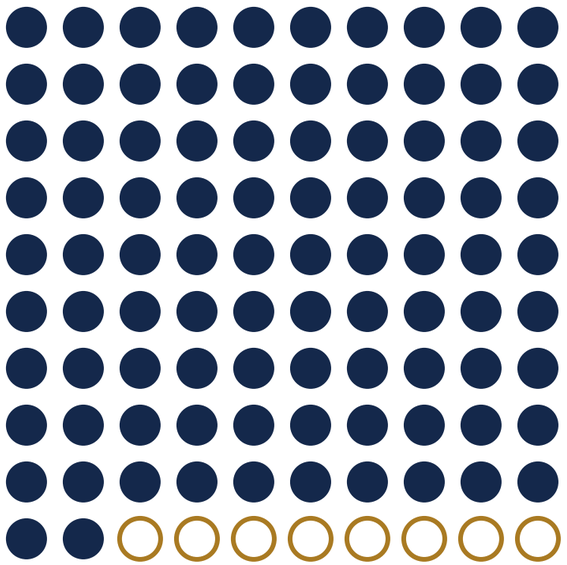
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Source: Reid & Grant (2026), Johns Hopkins University, Center for Research and Reform in Education. Survey of 183 alumni (item n varies) and interviews with 16. Outcomes are self-reported and the study had no comparison group. ACE items from a modified eight-item questionnaire. U.S. and Rhode Island rates: CDC BRFSS.

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY EVALUATION of RISE and Star Kids 2026

They faced high risk. 92% graduated.

Researchers at the **Johns Hopkins University** Center for Research and Reform in Education surveyed 183 alumni and interviewed 16 of them in depth.



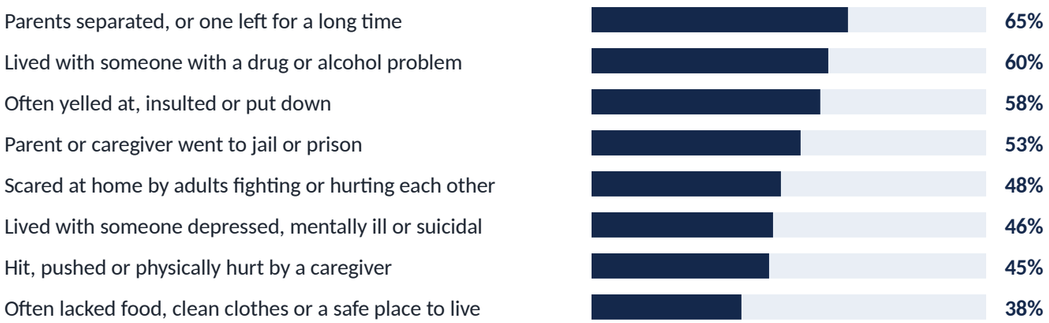
Every 100 alumni of these programs, each with a parent who was incarcerated or addicted

Severe adversity as children. RISE and Star Kids help them overcome it.

Every child in RISE and Star Kids is low income, with a parent who was incarcerated or addicted. Alumni averaged 4.1 of the eight adversities below. Johns Hopkins classifies four or more as **“extreme risk.”**

THE RISK

What alumni lived through as children



Number of these experiences per alum



Four or more **(“extreme risk”)**



THE OUTCOMES

94%

of alumni with an incarcerated parent finished high school

92% finished high school

86% went on to college or job training

67% save regularly for the future

94% never arrested

91% never incarcerated

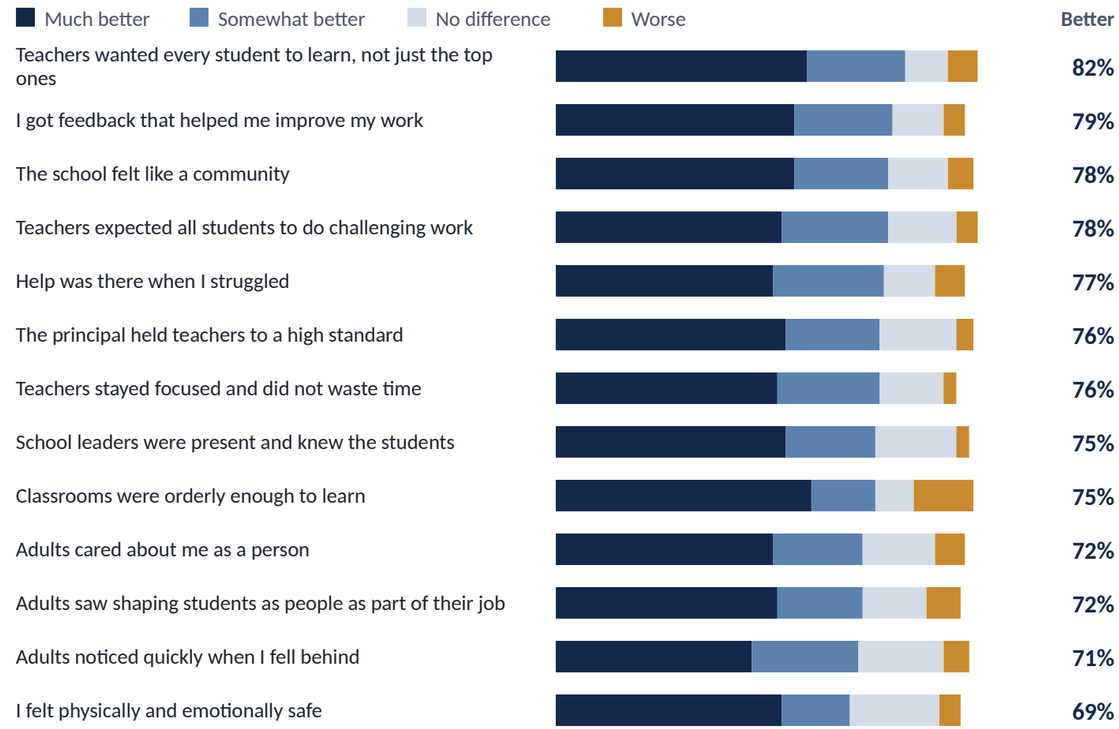
94% never treated for addiction

MORE RECENT RISE DATA

RISE’s own records show high school graduation above 95% for recent graduates. An earlier study found RISE students graduated at over 90%, against 59% for their siblings who did not attend. Over 90% of RISE students go on to college. These figures cover RISE students only. The Hopkins figures above cover the survey sample of 183 alumni from RISE and Star Kids.

Alumni rated their scholarship schools better than their old schools on all 13 measures.

How alumni rated their scholarship school against the school they left



n = 155–161 alumni per item

RATED BETTER THAN THE SCHOOL THEY LEFT

82% teachers wanted every student to learn

79% got feedback that helped them improve

78% felt more like a community

78% were expected to do challenging work

“With the smaller class size, I couldn’t easily fall through the cracks.”

Alumnus, Johns Hopkins interview