FAST FACTS 2024

Pace envisions a world where all girls have POWER, in a JUST and EQUITABLE society.

Pace Center for Girls provides a safe and supportive environment for girls to build healthy relationships, plan for their future and overcome histories of trauma. All girls, regardless of their background, deserve an opportunity to become strong, compassionate and successful women. When properly supported, all girls have the power to achieve their vision of success, which leads to positive outcomes for themselves, their families and communities.



3,000+ girls cared for each year



served since 1985



23 Communities across Florida, Georgia and South Carolina



17 Reach locations across Florida, Georgia and South Carolina





KYLEIGH

I'm Kyleigh and I came to Pace Marion to overcome some challenging obstacles with my education. At public school, I had so much anxiety it would keep me distracted. But once I came to Pace I was able to open up more to my amazing counselor and I was able to make some good friends that shared the same traits as me. I am now almost caught up with all of my credits and I am about to graduate from high school. I plan on going to college and studying to become either an anesthesiologist or neurologist.





Pace Center for Girls, Marion

Laura Burgess | Executive Director



Center Day Program

Pace's center based, day program provides year-round education, counseling and life skills training for a comprehensive and individualized experience for middle and high school aged girls.

81 Girls Served FY 2023

BEFORE PACE

7 in 10



Were failing school six months prior to attending Pace

7 in 10

Demonstrated behaviors related to juvenile delinquency

8 in 10

Were disengaged in school and community life

AS A RESULT OF PACE

9 in 10



Improved academically
*Measured by Florida STAR testing

7 in 10

Strengthened or maintained self-efficacy, the belief that you can succeed

8 in 10

Are engaged in their community, measured by being enrolled in school, higher education, or employment

Reach Program Services

Pace Reach is a therapeutic and counseling program offering social, emotional, and behavioral health and support services for girls ages 11–17 and their families. Reach therapists provide services in partnering schools, homes and other community locations.

11 Girls Served FY 2023 1,155 overall

* Numbers represented here are for Pace overall, as the number of girls completing the program does not allow for data comparison.

BEFORE PACE*

5 in 10

Were feeling sad or hopeless, including thoughts of self-harm

6 in 10

Were disengaged in school and community life

AS A RESULT OF PACE*

8 in 10

Improved healthy social relationships with peers and family members

10 in 10

Are engaged in their community, measured by a an increase in healthy behaviors

Pace is more than an organization. It's a beacon of light and strength – showing young girls, regardless of their current circumstances, that they can survive, excel and achieve whatever they want. Being involved in Pace allows me to play a meaningful role in the success of our Pace girls.

- Devon Chestnut, Pace Center for Girls Marion, Board Chair Manager Corporate Communications, Cox Communications, Inc.

