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## IntelliChoice, Inc.

# **Our Mission**

To develop an interest in mathematics, increase college readiness, and promote successful future careers for children from kindergarten to 12<sup>th</sup> grade who lack educational opportunities and resources.

## 2024 Annual Report

IntelliChoice has four primary programs:

- a. **In-person Tutoring**: Students attend weekly two-hour math classes at local branches, most of them located within public libraries and community centers. Students from grades through K to 12 are welcome to sign up. Most of the volunteer tutors are college and high school students, and current and retired employees from local high-tech industries.
- b. **On-line Tutoring**: Intellichoice also provides online tutoring with students in remote areas where it can be difficult to access knowledgeable math tutors. We started online tutoring in 2018. During the pandemic year we were fully online. Currently most of our tutoring is in-person; online is mainly for remote areas.
- c. **SAT Prep Camp**: This is an intensive SAT preparation course held during summer break. Classes run 2 hours per day from Monday to Friday for 4 weeks during summer break.
- d. **College scholarships**: We award \$30,000 in scholarships to 60 students annually. The purpose of this program is to encourage our students to attend college for future career development. The money is released only when the student joins a two or four-year college program.

# **Tutoring Locations (Branches)**

We currently have twenty-one local tutoring branches, and we are working to open others so that we can expand our reach to more at-risk children.

## 1. Martin Luther King Jr. Public Library

2922 Martin Luther King Blvd., Dallas, Texas 75215 **Location Manager:** Isaac Brooks (Texas Instruments)

## 2. Harrington Public Library

1501 18th Street, Plano, Texas 75074 Location Manager: Online

P.O. Box 796052, Dallas TX 75379 www.intellichoice.org

#### **3. Skyline Public Library**

6006 Everglade, Dallas, Texas 75227 Location Manager: Nickolas Zahabizadeh (Texas Instruments)

#### 4. Carrollton Public Library

1700 Keller Springs Rd, Carrollton, Texas 75006 Location Manager: Dr. Ovidio Lopez (UT Dallas)

#### 5. Lewisville Public Library

1197 W. Main St., Lewisville, Texas 75067 Location Managers: Varun Gunda (UT Dallas), Dr. Juhyun Lee (UT Arlington)

#### 6. Renner Frankford Public Library

6400 Frankford Road, Dallas, Texas 75252 Location Manager: Jim Jones (Retired from L3Harris)

### 7. Ethiopian Orthodox St. Michael Church

1106 N. Jupiter, Garland, Texas 75042 **Location Manager:** Anil Bhatia (CEO, Kids Choice Pediatrics), Samantha Perez (UT Dallas), Tejas Devata (UT Dallas)

#### 8. North Oak Cliff Public Library

302 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Dallas, Texas 75208 **Location Manager:** Thomas Narlo (UT Dallas)

#### 9. Navajo Native American Branch

2724 E. Lakin Dr, Ste 10, Flagstaff, Arizona 860004 Location Manager: Sun Hee Jeon

#### **10. Vickery Park Public Library**

8333 Park Lane, Dallas, Texas 75231 Location Manager: Ryan Johnston (UT Dallas)

### **11. The Colony Public Library**

6800 Main Street, The Colony, Texas 75056 Location Manager: Dr. Tae-Youl Choi (Univ. of North Texas)

#### 12. The Michael Finley Foundation Center

2525 Frankford Rd, Dallas, Texas 75287 (Long Middle School) Location Manager: Dr. Rashaunda Henderson (UT Dallas)

#### 13. IRC Center

10200 Sprinkle Rd, Austin, Texas 78754 Location Manager: Online

#### 14. Carver Public Library

720 Terrace Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802 Location Manager: Dr. Myungkee Sung (Baton Rouge Community College)

#### **15. DKM Ethiopian Orthodox Church**

4506 Nolensville PK, Nashville, Tennessee 37211

P.O. Box 796052, Dallas TX 75379 www.intellichoice.org Location Manager: Dr. Hye Young Kim (Vanderbilt University) and Dr. Gashaw Bekele (Tennessee State University)

### 16. Los Angeles (online)

Location Manager: Jun Park and Minseok Kim (UT Dallas)

#### 17. UT Dallas

800 W. Campbell Road, Richardson, Texas 75080 Location Manager: Dr. Bilal Akin (UT Dallas) and Varsha Manellore (UT Dallas)

### **18. Fretz Park Public Library**

6990 Belt Line Rd, Dallas, Texas 75254 Location Manager: Matthew Cha (UT Southwestern Medical)

### 19. MIE Baptist Church (Myanmar Refugee)

802 Bellaire Blvd, Lewisville, Texas 75067 Location Manager: Dr. Lalita Kulkarni (Ericsson), Philip Chin (UT Dallas), Esther Han (UT Dallas)

### 20. Houston Eritrean Community Center

6026 Chimney Rock, Houston, Texas 77081 Location Manager: Tedros Teame

### 21. Grace Church. Top Achievers

3301 Preston Rd, Plano, Texas 75093 (opened on January 18, 2025). Location Manager: Dr. Hyunwoong Chang (UT Dallas)

## **Enrollment**

800 students and 360 tutors participated in online and in-person classes in 2024. We noticed an increasing enrollment this year again after the pandemic year downturn.



MIE Myanmar Refugee Church Branch



Arizona Navajo Native Americans Branch



# 2024 SAT Prep Camp

We held the SAT camp from July 8 to August 2, five days a week, two hours per day. This year, the classes were held virtually. 79 high school students registered. Christina Mina, Narissa Chan, Emma LeBlanc, and Kunju Menon were the lead tutors for Mathematics and English. All of them are the McDermott Scholars at UT Dallas.

This is a 4-week long SAT preparatory camp designed to help underprivileged high school students perform well on the SAT, so they can pursue dreams of attaining higher education. Teachers focus on building a solid foundation for the subjects tested on this exam. Students learn effective test-taking strategies. We encourage students to register for the August SAT following the camp. With their registration, IntelliChoice covers half of the SAT fee for students taking the August test.

## **2024 Scholarship Banquet**

## Celebrating Thirty-one Years of Math Tutoring Sunday, December 15, 2024 The University of Texas at Dallas

Since 2013, IntelliChoice has given scholarships to students who participate in our program. We award \$500 each to up to 60 students annually who have shown good progress in mathematics and history of attendance in tutoring sessions. The purpose of this program is to encourage our students to attend college for future career development.

The money is released only when the student attends a two or four-year college. The 2024 Scholarship Banquet was held at the UTD Davidson-Gundy Alumni Center and 56 students were awarded the scholarship. The keynote speaker was Mr. TJ Gilmore, Mayor, City of Lewisville.

Adonay Abebe	John Cung	Christian Lyons	Bryce Smiyh
Flimon Amaneal	Aubrey Dear	Zachery McCune	Ely Sung
Jonah Awi	Ananiya Demissie	Natan Mehari	Filomena Sung
Arsema Ayele	Taylor Floyd	Thomas Mehari	Salem Tekola
Hiwete Ayele	Essey Fsehatsion	Naomi Mekebib	Yemariyam Tekola
Mathias Bekele	Hiyab Gebremedhin	Sarah Ji	Siang Thang
Beilul Berhane	Alazar Girmay	Oba Ojerinde	James Thanh
Bethlehem Berhe	Yehab Girmay	Rebecca Par	Lulianna Thomas
Meron Berhe	Arsema Girmay	Imanol Paredes	Christopher Vargas
Sefanit Berhe	Samuel Hagos	Jordan Pelt	Bemnet Wogeta
Isaac Beyene	Jordan Hampton	Ehlinata Reda	Yohana Wondimu
Nawmy Ca Len Par	Lauryn Jackson	Eyasu Samuel	Davis Yi
Karen Cacho	Andrew Jackson	Bawi Sang	Silvia Zel
Jeremiah Caraway	Eden Jejaw	Arsema Seifu	Mya Nichols

## **2024 IntelliChoice Scholarship Recipients**

# **2024 Scholarship Banquet** (Out of state awardees did not participate).







## **2024 Donations**

Intellichoice is fortunate to have a strong donor base who makes our mission possible. The funds are used for scholarships as well as operating expenses such as workbooks for students, maintenance of website, attendance tracking software, background checks for tutors.

## **Total Donations: \$104,809**

\$25,000: Kengena Foundation
\$10,000: Bank of Hope, Gil Sik Lee
\$8,000: Overseas Koreans Foundation
\$7,500: Eugene McDermott Scholars Program Alumni Association at UTD
\$5,000: Wyn Laidig, Open Bank
\$2,500 - \$4,999: Kyung Kyu Kim, New Song Church, Byung Joo Lee, Byung Woo Lee
\$1,000 - \$2,499: Ho Sung Cha, Yang Ho Kim, Jim Jones, Texas Instruments, Susan Boyle, Yun Won Kim, Eun Sook Park, Joon Won Park, PCB Bank, H Mart

\$500 - \$999: William Coco, Rashaunda Henderson, Song Il Pak, Kyong Kim, Bilal Akin, Myungkee Sung, Kwi Hyun Yoon, Yong Baek Lee, Ho Joon Im, Rok Soo Kim
\$250 - \$499: Sang Woo Kim, Joo Dong Lee, Hyun Taek Park, Byung Chun Cho, Nirav B Patel, Abhay Sawant

**\$100 - \$249**: Anil Bhatia, Sung Tae Kim, Jong Taek Chung, Kwang Soon Lee, Srividya Valivarthi, Sanjiv Sinha, Gopal Gupta, Hyun Joo Nam, Wooram Park, Woo Yeol Choi, Chadwin Young, Kamran Kiasaleh, Haeja Seo, Bang Sam Kwak, Maneesha Sharma, Anne Duncan, Modhu Sen, Raghavavarma Mallaparaju, Vaishali Pishwikar, Vamsikrishna Kamireddy, Vinay Kallianpur, Vipul Sagare

Below \$100: Patrik Jule , Alma Barrera, Andrew Hejnar, Angelica Cartagena, Annika Sawant, Babitha Raj, Caroline Hejnar, Chandra Gandham, Cole Langston, Janice Jae, Jayaram Thiagarajan, Jennie Patwa, Judy Han Pham, Lakshmi Srinivasan, Mahesh Jonnaladadda, Manohar Babu Kancharla, Mehul Udani, Murali Murali, Parth Tripathi, Pranali Patil, Rajani Kandarpa, Rashmi Pawar, Mehul Udani, Ravi Vemuri, Sivannarayana Dhulipudi, Subbarao Saladi, Tara Langston, Van Nguyen, Venkata Bommisetti, Venkata Vurakaranam

## **Major News**

1. Intellichoice was recently featured in the Fox News recognizing our work.

https://www.fox4news.com/video/1505922

2. Intellichoice was introduced at the UT Dallas Engineering magazine, Voyage 24 in December 2024.



- New Branches opened in 2024: Fretz Park public library branch in Dallas was opened on April 20, 2024. MIE church (Myanmar Refugee) branch in Lewisville was opened on September 7, 2024. Houston Eritrean Branch was opened on November 9, 2024.
- 4. Grace Church Branch in Plano was opened on January 18, 2025, with a nonprofit organization of Top Achievers in Plano ISD. The branch manager is Prof. Hyunwoong (Woody) Chang in the Mathematics department at UT Dallas.
- 5. Prof. Kangkook Jee of the Computer Science department at UT Dallas became the Director of IT. He has worked for 10 years in the computer industry.

6. Two high school student tutors were admitted to Harvard, one to MIT and one to Stanford last year. Intellichoice provides leadership and volunteering opportunities for high school and college students as tutors.



7. The founder Dr. Gil Lee has received a Lifetime Achievement Award from President Joe Biden.

IntelliChoice is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization registered in the state of Texas. EIN: 30-0282507

## **Board Members**

Dr. Gil Lee (Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at The University of Texas at Dallas)

Mr. Abhay Sawant (Entrepreneur and investor)

Dr. Dan Heitjan (Professor and Chair of Statistical Sciences at Southern Methodist University, Professor of Population & Data Sciences at UT Southwestern Medical School, and Director of the SMU/UTSW PhD program in Biostatistics. Fellows of the American Statistical Association, Mathematical Statistics, and Society for Clinical Trials)