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
40,000+ girls served since 1985
23 Communities across Florida, Georgia and South Carolina
17 Reach locations across Florida, Georgia and South Carolina

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“Before coming to Pace, I was feeling depressed. I did not want to come to school or do my work. But coming to Pace has helped me realize all the resources available to me to get where I want to be and begin thinking about my future and career. I want to be a psychologist and a therapist. I may even be a counselor at Pace someday.”

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Pace Center for Girls, Leon
Kristel Avilus | ASSOCIATE 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.

**137 Girls Served**

**FY 2022**

**BEFORE PACE**

- 6 in 10 Were failing school six months prior to attending Pace
- 9 in 10 Demonstrated behaviors related to juvenile delinquency
- 9 in 10 Were disengaged in school and community life

**AS A RESULT OF PACE**

- 8 in 10 Improved academically
- 8 in 10 Strengthened or maintained self-efficacy, the belief that you can succeed
- 6 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 their home, school, community or online.

**1,076 Girls Served**

**FY 2022**

**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
- 8 in 10 Are engaged in their community, measured by an increase in healthy behaviors

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

“Pace has helped me focus on my growth and development as a counselor as well as a human being. Coming to Pace, I was a completely different person than I am today. I have grown in many areas, including dealing with difficult situations and de-escalating moments of high stress or emotion.”

– Niykeal Westberry, Social Service Counselor, Pace Leon