End of Year Survey Findings
2021 Birmingham, AL Urban Schools Initiative

Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic

- 60% of teachers said that COVID lowered their participation or made it impossible to coach their team.
- 80% of teachers said COVID lowered their students' ability to participate at a normal level.

Coach Comments
"There were a lot of other demands"
"I usually have 15 (students) on the team and only had 9 who participated this year"

Bright Spot
Despite many coaches experiencing time constraints due to the pandemic, all still wanted to continue with the program!

Student Reflections
- 70% of responding students said COVID had no effect on or actually increased their SO participation.
- 90% of responding students still want to follow a STEM career path.

"I felt more focused and concentrated in a peaceful environment"

All responding students...
Agree or strongly agree with statements about increases in STEM learning, critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and exposure to new topics due to participating in Science Olympiad &

Would recommend Science Olympiad to a friend!