Learning Ally Results

- Reached **472,000** students, **99,000** educators in **17,500** schools.
- Over **135** million pages read.
- **605** volunteers donated over **57,135** hours of service in 2019.
- Produced **955** titles for our growing audiobook library (293 "classic" audiobooks and 662 Voice text audiobooks that allow students to read along as they listen).
- Served **22,847** blind or visually impaired (BVI) students, including **1,121** college-aged BVI students through the College Success Program.
- Provided **$846,000** in financial aid to support **3,904** students who would otherwise be unable to access our services.

The Need for Our Services

**1 in 5 readers** struggle with learning differences, and children from low-income communities are more likely to be affected.

Only about **8% of the BVI community** are fluent Braille readers.

More than **90% of elementary students** with specific learning disabilities scored below proficient on the 2013 National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP).

Each year, **less than 5% of books** published worldwide are made available in accessible formats.

Children with learning differences are **twice as likely to be suspended** and three times as likely to drop out of high school than their peers.
A Word From Our CEO

Dear Friends,

2018-2019 was an extremely positive year in terms of impact, reach and revenue for Learning Ally. In a world where too many children struggle to read and learn, feelings of failure, heartache, shame and defeat are a daily reality. Over the past several years, we have been building partnerships and state of the art capabilities to turn struggling readers into life-long achievers. While this is a great start, there is so much more for us to do. We go into 2020 looking forward to the future.

Andrew Friedman - President & CEO