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A College-Prep Education for Students of St. Louis





Since 2005, over 500 low-income, first-generation students from the most underserved areas of the City of St. Louis have received a top-quality, faith-based education, regardless of race, ethnicity or religious affiliation by ACCESS Academies. We are a partner with three Archdiocesan schools—Most Holy Trinity School & Academy, St. Cecilia School & Academy, and St. Louis the King School at the Cathedral.

There has never been a more crucial time for educating our youth than now, and ACCESS is dedicated to 7 years of support through our Graduate Support Program. ACCESS provides a unique and challenging program to our students, built on the NativityMiguel model of an extended school day, mandatory summer school, and graduate support personnel along with programs that follow them through high school and into college. A proper education is the greatest force to end the cycle of poverty, and our Academies are proving this year after year.

The ACCESS program is a lower cost alternative to operating a stand-alone private middle school, but extremely effective at the same time. It leverages current middle schools that serve as the backbone of our urban neighborhoods and supplements the program with a strong curriculum to propel our students into college-prep high schools, providing support to launch them into college.

We receive no public funding. We rely on donations from St. Louisans who care about the future of their community. ACCESS empowers students to break the cycle of poverty through education.

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Hard Facts

- 98% of ACCESS students are admitted to college-preparatory high schools
- 99% of ACCESS students graduate on-time
- 95% of ACCESS students are admitted to college or post-secondary institutions
- 87% of ACCESS students qualify for free and/or reduced lunch
- 96% of ACCESS students are minority students



Graduate Support Program

Over 150 middle school students are enrolled in Academies and over 200 Academy graduates are receiving high school tuition scholarships and guidance.

Middle School & Summer School = extended school day & year with additional academic support, robust curriculum, homework assistance, & service projects.

High School = high school visits, application support, tutoring, mentoring, academic scholarships, monitoring growth & achievement.

College = college tours, ACT prep classes, college application support, FAFSA counseling, & more.

High School Acceptances

Academy graduates have been accepted to more than 20 area college preparatory high schools, including: Althoff, Bishop DuBourg, Cardinal Ritter College Prep, Chaminade College Prep, Christian Brothers College, Crossroads, De Smet, Incarnate Word Academy, Lutheran High School North & South, MICDS, Nerinx Hall, North County Christian School, Notre Dame, Rosati-Kain, St. John Vianney, St. Joseph's Academy, St. Louis Christian Academy, St. Louis University High, St. Mary's, Trinity Catholic, Ursuline Academy, and Villa Duchesne.



“Miss Joslyn is my Graduate Support Director and she calls me one of her kids. She comes every month to sit down with my teachers, coaches, and counselors to hear about my progress, and if I am not doing exactly what she knows I am capable of doing, she lets me know it! She is tough, but I know it is because she cares about me. Like I said, I am one of her kids.”

Jamarion J., pictured above, is a senior at Chaminade College Preparatory School, and an alumnus of St. Louis the King School at the Cathedral.