

A young girl with dark hair in a bun, wearing glasses and a white polo shirt, is smiling and raising her right hand high in the air. She is in a classroom setting with other students in the background, some of whom are also raising their hands. The background is slightly blurred, showing classroom furniture and decorations.

ACHIEVEMENT
PREP

The Audacity of Achievement



OUR MISSION

Our mission is to prepare students to excel as high-achieving scholars and leaders in high school, college, and beyond.

Critical to Achievement Prep's mission is also the idea of developing and fostering a strong character in our scholars. Daily, scholars focus on the development and practice of Achievement Prep's DREAM values (Determination, Respect, Enthusiasm, Accountability, and Mastery).



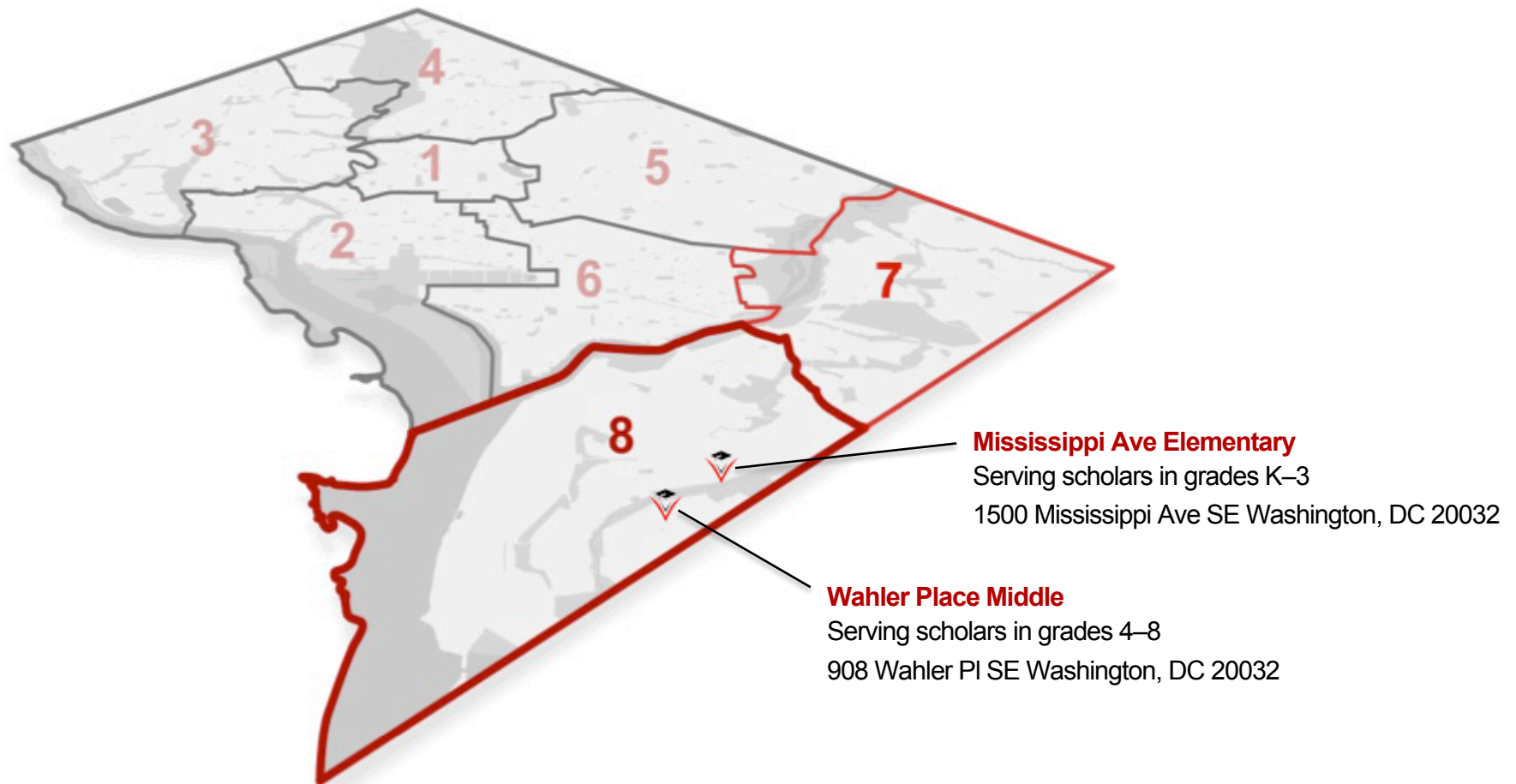


OUR HISTORY

Achievement Preparatory Academy Public Charter Schools (Achievement Prep) began operation in 2008 under authorization from the DC Public Charter School Board (PCSB). Achievement Prep currently operates and manages two high-quality charter schools, which serve scholars in grades K through eight based on proven instructional strategies, exceptional personnel, and deep community relationships. Achievement Prep has consistently received a Tier 1 performance rating as determined by the PCSB.



OUR CAMPUSES





WE BELIEVE

All students, regardless of race or socio-economic status, deserve a top-quality, rigorous college-preparatory education

When provided with a highly structured, disciplined, and supportive learning environment with quality, targeted instruction, all students will achieve the highest academic standards

Literacy is the most essential academic skill upon which the majority of all future skill and knowledge acquisition is based





Our Approach

1. More time on task.

The academic year at Achievement Prep is approx. 10 days longer and the school day is approx. 2 hours longer than at a typical school, resulting in an extra two years of education.

2. Maximize the time we have with our scholars.

We work as a team to create a sense of urgency easily noticeable to any visitor. Since our scholars come to us 2-3 grade levels behind, we believe that every minute we have with them counts.

3. Read, baby read!

We have built a school-wide culture of reading into the school day with double blocks of literacy and time for scholars to Drop Everything and Read (DEAR). By 8th grade, all scholars are reading complex novels.

4. No excuses.

All lessons at Achievement Prep are rigorous and fast-paced. Our teacher teams create weekly "Show What You Know" quizzes that assess scholar understanding and provide the data they need to adapt their instruction.

5. Focus on building strong character.

Our character education system shows scholars that good deeds and hard work pay off. week, scholars are able to earn DREAM dollars for positive behaviors and each week, scholars receive their own paychecks.



CHANGE THE WORLD

The Three Pillars

AUDACITY OF ACHIEVEMENT

*We want to redefine
what it means to be
“high-performing.”
Good is not good enough
– GREAT is good enough.*

LOCAL FOCUS FOR NATIONAL IMPACT

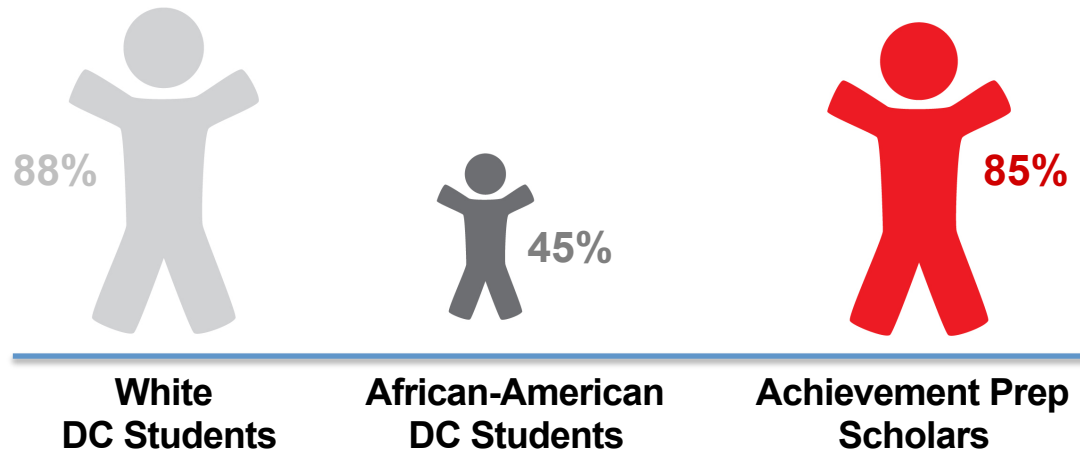
*We are local leaders
committed to academic
achievement in our own
neighborhood – raising
the bar for public
education everywhere.*

INTENTIONAL ED REFORM COLLABORATIONS

*We have strategic
partnerships across
schools and sectors that
help us to do what is best
for children, not just the
status quo.*

CLOSING THE GAP

Achievement Prep has virtually closed the achievement gap in math between African American and white students.



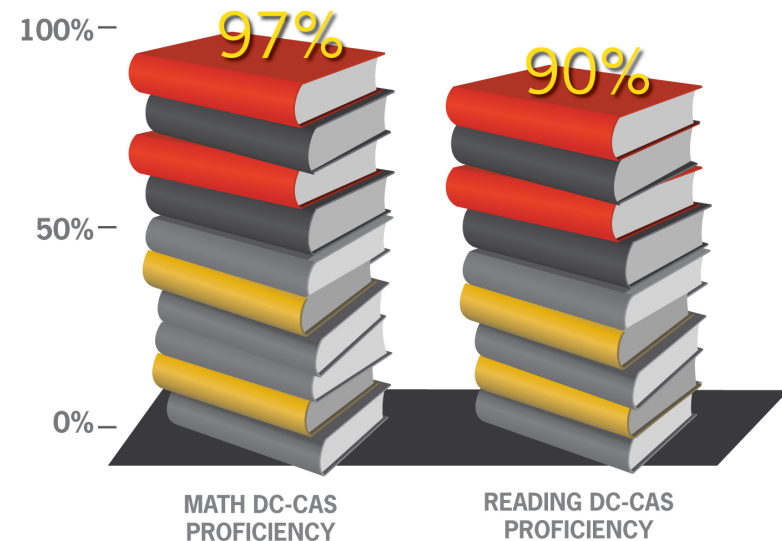


OUR RESULTS

Achievement Prep's Wahler Pl Middle School Campus has consistently received a Tier 1 rating from the DC Public Charter School Board since 2011 through 2014.



Most Achievement Prep scholars come to us 2-3 grade levels behind. However, they leave us ready for high school, college, and beyond.

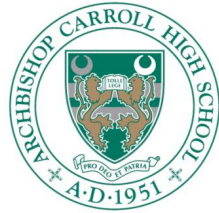


2014 8th Grade DC-CAS Results



OUR RESULTS

The **High School Placement and Alumni Support Team** helps our scholars matriculate to some of the most competitive and rigorous high schools in Washington, DC, and beyond.



Benjamin Banneker Academic High School
IB World School • No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon School



ST. MARGARET'S SCHOOL



THE SCHOOL WITHOUT WALLS
HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON, DC

Elizabeth Seton
HIGH SCHOOL

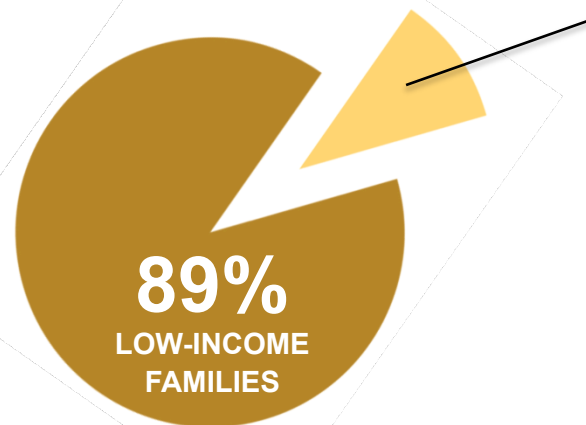
OUR COMMUNITY

NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

Achievement Prep's founders made an intentional decision to make **East of the River** our home. Our campuses are **neighborhood schools** and we take great pride in being one of Ward 8's treasures. Our focus is on positively impacting the neighborhoods in which our scholars and their families live and bringing vibrancy back to a part of the city that has such a rich cultural history.

WARD 8 AS HOME

Almost 100% of our scholars identify as Black/African-American. And the majority of our scholars are eligible for free and reduced meals and live in an economically disadvantaged section of our nation's capital.



Even for the **11%** of our school community that qualifies for paid lunch, many of those families are only right above the poverty line



OUR COMMUNITY

PARENTS AS PARTNERS

Achievement Prep parents are worth more than gold—they are **PLATINUM!**

After our parents learn about Achievement Prep and what we offer, they make a conscious decision to entrust us with their children's education and the opportunities it will afford them.

We share a vision for our scholars and we become partners in this critical mission. Our parents' trust and collaboration is critical in helping ensure that each of our scholars can go to college!





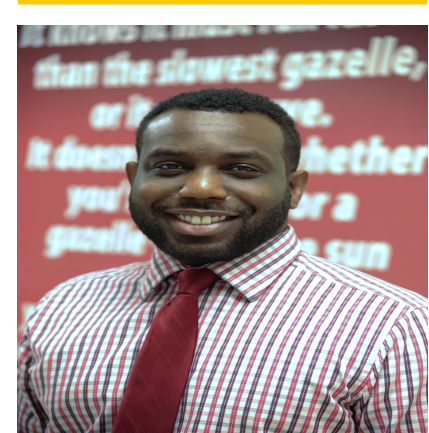
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THREE GENERATIONAL WORK

We believe that by changing the lives of our scholars, we in turn change the lives of their parents and the lives of their future children, impacting three generations through each scholar.

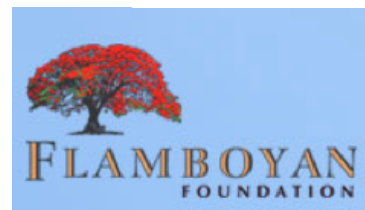


OUR TEACHERS



Our teachers are committed and driven to ensure that not just the achievement gap gets closed but that every single one of our scholars finds success.

OUR PARTNERS



HISTORY OF WAHLER PLACE



When we opened our middle school in 2008, we only served 4th and 5th grades and occupied one floor in the 3-story Wahler Place building.

Overtime, as our scholars grew, so did our school. Today, we operate the Wahler Place Campus at full capacity with nearly 400 scholars in grades four to eight.



OUR FUTURE

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WAHLER PL REDEVELOPMENT





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PHASE I

Winter 2015–Winter 2016

WINTER 2015

Begin
Construction on
Wahler Place II
*(future home of
grades four to
eight)*

WINTER 2016

Complete
Construction of
Wahler Place II

WINTER 2016

Middle School
moves to
Wahler Place II

WINTER 2016

Begin
renovation of
Wahler Place I
*(future home of
grades PreK to
three)*

PHASE II

Winter 2016–Summer 2016

SUMMER 2016

Complete
Renovation of
Wahler Place I

SUMMER 2016

Early Childhood
and Elementary
School moves
to Wahler PI I



Adding High Quality Seats

EXPANSION BY THE NUMBERS

	NOW	2016	
PRE-K	0	160	+160
K-3	266	350	+84
4-8	384	450	+66
Total	650	960	+310



Won't you join us
in achieving our

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