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Who We Are

KIPP, the Knowledge Is Power Program, is a national network of free, open enrollment college preparatory public schools dedicated to preparing students in underserved communities for success in college and life. With a mission to create and sustain the highest quality school system for the children most underserved in Columbus, KIPP has maintained excellence in its growth, and will improve upon that standard – proving what is possible in public education.



Why Our Work Matters

- Only 1 in 10 students from low-income communities go to college; KIPP Columbus aims to bridge this achievement gap and ensure that ALL KIPP Columbus students make it to and through college. Nationally, KIPP students graduate at a rate of 4x their low income peers.
- By the time low-income kids in our country reach the 4th grade, they are (on average) **2-3 grade levels behind** their middle class peers.

Our Approach

-  **Longer School Day**
-  **High Quality Teachers**
-  **College Focus**
-  **Field Lessons**
-  **Extracurricular Activities**
-  **Safe & Structured Environment**
-  **Focus on character and academics**

Our Results

- On average, students make nearly **2 times** average growth on nationally normed reading and math assessments.
- Students who attended from 5th to 8th grade **grew 50%** in reading proficiency (on the Ohio state assessment)
- KIPP Columbus students grew **more than five times** the amount required to achieve an "A" in this category on the state report card.

Where We Stand



- KIPP Columbus received the **2015 Momentum Award** by the Ohio Department of Education! For receiving straight A's on all Value-Added measures on the report card
- **Ranked 6th out of 61 districts** in Franklin County in year-over-year growth on the Ohio State assessments

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