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**OPENED** 2006  
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## KIPP Rise Academy is the school that makes learning fun, from offering over 30 extra-curriculars, to turning reading and math into prize-winning competitions.

84.6%

ELIGIBLE FOR FREE  
OR REDUCED-PRICE  
LUNCH

16.1%

QUALIFY FOR  
SPED SERVICES

83%

AFRICAN AMERICAN  
STUDENTS

9%

LATINO  
STUDENTS

454

STUDENTS  
SERVED

5-8

GRADES

### ABOUT KIPP RISE ACADEMY

Located in Newark's West Ward, KIPP Rise Academy serves students in grades 4-8. At Rise, teachers are given a large amount of freedom to figure out what works best for kids, and make it happen in their classrooms. Teachers are also encouraged to start clubs and sports programs that give Rise students more experiences than just academics, with multiple clubs and sports going on after school almost every day of the week.

### ABOUT KIPP NEWARK

KIPP Newark schools are part of the nationally recognized "Knowledge Is Power Program" non-profit network of college preparatory, public charter schools educating elementary, middle,

and high school students. In 2002, KIPP Newark first opened its doors in Newark's South Ward as a single class of 80 fifth graders and has since grown to teach over 4,777 students in grades K-12 in Newark. 87% of KIPP Newark students currently qualify for free or reduced meals.

KIPP Newark alumni earn college degrees at more than 3 times the national average for students from low-income families. By offering highly effective educators with strong bonds to families, more time in school learning, services that support a variety of student needs, and a culture focused on achievement, our students are on the path to and through college.

*"Students were actually talking and learning, and at the same time. I knew then that there wasn't another region, school, or place I'd rather be."*

-KIPP RISE ACADEMY GRADE LEVEL CHAIR



# WHAT MAKES KIPP RISE ACADEMY UNIQUE?

## EXTRA-CURRICULARS

Rise students have the opportunity to participate in over 30 extra-curricular activities, from grappling to fencing team to book club, and so many more.

## CO-TEACHING

Most subjects have two teachers in each classroom with additional learning specialists as well. This allows students to

learn each lesson in a way that's tailored to their individual needs.

## READING MILLIONAIRES CLUB

Reading is a fun competition between students. We track number of words read and celebrate major milestones when students reach one, five, and 20 million words read. This is one of the many academic results measured in great detail.



# HOW ARE STUDENTS PROGRESSING?

## INDIVIDUALIZED LEARNING

Students start math class with a quick quiz about the day's lesson which tells the teachers how well each kid understands the content. Since there are multiple teachers in each room, students get the lesson tailored to their needs.

## RESULTS

Students enter Rise Academy in a variety of places. They all leave on the path to college. Over 50% of our kids enter Rise Academy below grade level. They typically leave 8th grade performing comparably to their peers across the state, not just in Newark. In 2019, Mathematica

released a study showing that the impact of attending a KIPP middle school could erase the racial achievement gap in four-year college enrollment rates nationwide -- attending KIPP following a middle school lottery produced an increase of 12.9 percentage points in enrollment rates in four-year college programs.

## CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENT

Posters that celebrate student progress and achievement line every wall of Rise Academy. Gamifying tasks like reading and doing math makes learning a fun and friendly competition.

## VALUES



GRIT



ZEST



SELF-CONTROL



OPTIMISM



GRATITUDE



SOCIAL INTELLIGENCE



CURIOSITY

## MEET KEVIN BROWN, SCHOOL LEADER

Kevin Brown joined **KIPP Rise Academy** in 2008 starting as a Student Counselor, then Dean of Students, and most recently served as Assistant School Leader. In August 2019 Mr. Brown became Rise's School Leader, continuing the tradition of excellence and inclusiveness. Throughout his career, he has served children that were Wards of the State by managing adolescent Group Homes and as a Case Manager for the New Jersey Child Protective Service Agency. Mr. Brown received his BA in Psychology from Caldwell College in 1999.