The KIPP Cooper Norcross High School students who become future innovators, leaders, and influencers will have started as kids who wrote, designed, built, and experimented every day.

ABOUT KIPP HIGH SCHOOL

KIPP High School is the first KIPP High School in Camden, opening fall 2020 with 9th grade eventually growing to educate students in grades 9-12. KIPP HS will serve students from KIPP middle schools (Whittier, Lanning Square) when they step up from 8th grade along with some new-to-KIPP students from other Camden schools. Located in the Sumner building in the Centerville neighborhood, KIPP HS will offer a progressive, college-and-career-ready educational experience, with a focus on developing 21st century leadership skills. AP course options will grow as the school grows, and students will have the opportunity to participate in clubs and sports at either KIPP HS or in conjunction with CCSD High Schools before the school is fully grown.

ABOUT KIPP COOPER NORCROSS ACADEMY

New Jersey’s first renaissance school, the KIPP Cooper Norcross Academy in Camden, N.J., was established under the state’s Urban Hope Act, which created a pilot program to provide students in three struggling school districts – Camden, Newark and Trenton – access to new, quality public schools in their communities. The Academy was created in partnership with KIPP, one of the most renowned, national networks of free, open-enrollment, college preparatory public charter schools; The Cooper Foundation, the charitable arm of Cooper University Health Care, and the Norcross Foundation. The new, 110,000-square-foot campus opened in 2015 and provides guaranteed enrollment for students in grades Pre-K through 8th living in the Lanning Square and Cooper Plaza neighborhoods. The Camden network opened its second middle school in August 2016 and will grow to include two additional new schools: an elementary school and a high school, eventually serving more than 2,800 students.
WHAT MAKES KIPP HIGH SCHOOL UNIQUE?

OUR COMMITMENT
Our commitment to developing the mind, body and spirit is what sets us apart from other schools. Our school will offer rigorous academic courses aimed at college and career readiness for our students. We believe, however, that our students need and deserve more. Across academics, electives, extra-curriculars and athletics, we will work with students to develop a broad range of skills and habits that help them lead connected, healthy, fulfilling lives.

TO AND THROUGH COLLEGE
With 77% of our 8th graders matriculating to college, we have created support structures to make sure they get the rest of the way through.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
KIPP HS leaders aren’t just brilliant and hardworking, they’re dedicated to giving back to their community. KIPP HS students participate in service learning experiences and extracurricular activities that stress helping others.

HOW ARE STUDENTS PROGRESSING?

RESULTS THAT MATTER
In 2018, KIPP NJ students made larger year over year gains in NJ state test scores than New Jersey students statewide and are within a few points of beating the NJ state average in proficiency. Though we focus on character, our students also receive an education that prepares them for college and beyond. Since we opened our first school in Camden, Camden students are three times as likely to score proficient on state tests.

MEET STU WARSHAVER, SCHOOL LEADER
Stu Warshawer will be KIPP High Schools’ first leader. Before joining KIPP, Mr. Warshawer served for five years as a school leader at the middle and high school levels with Mastery Charter Schools in Philadelphia. He started his career as a middle school teacher in the South Bronx before becoming a Dean of Students, and then a Principal. Mr. Warshawer graduated from Williams College with a Bachelor of Arts in Religion and holds Master’s Degrees in Education from Mercy College and National Louis University.

QUICK FACT
3X
KIPP alumni are on track to earn college degrees at three times the rate of their peers.