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WELCOME TO KIPP NEWARK COMMUNITY PREP (NCP)! OUR SCHOOL OPENED IN 2019 AS KIPP NEW JERSEY'S FOURTH NEWARK MIDDLE SCHOOL.

ABOUT KIPP NEWARK COMMUNITY PREP

Located in Newark's Central Ward, NCP continues the tradition of excellence started by KIPP TEAM, Rise, and BOLD Academies as KIPP New Jersey's newest middle school. Growing to serve students in grades 5-8, NCP, teachers are given a large amount of freedom to figure out what works best for kids, and make it happen in their classrooms. Our goal is to help students develop the knowledge, skills, and character strengths they need to succeed throughout their education and in the competitive world beyond.

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 5,266 students in grades K-12 in Newark. Our goal is to enroll 7,800 students across 15 schools in Newark. Eighty-six percent of KIPP Newark students currently qualify for free or reduced meals. KIPP Newark alumni earn college degrees at more than three 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.



ELIGIBLE FOR FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH



QUALIFY FOR SPED SERVICES



AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENTS



LATINX STUDENTS



STUDENTS SERVED



GRADE (GROWING TO 5-8)

WHAT MAKES NCP UNIQUE?

EXPANDING OUR HORIZONS

NCP students explore the world around them through overnight field trips and activities after school. Through a strong college prep curriculum, rigorous instruction, and real-world learning experiences, students are empowered to be critical thinkers and the leaders of tomorrow.

STUDENT LEADERS

Beyond academics, we also believe that the explicit teaching of character is essential to student becoming productive citizens who will contribute to their community. In academic classes, students engage in thoughtful debates with their peers and learn to use their voice to stand up for what's right.

TECHNOLOGY

Every NCP student has his or her own laptop to use throughout the day. Teachers prepare students for careers of the future by incorporating technology skills into their teaching and meeting the needs of individual learners through computer learning programs.

IMPACT

TO AND THROUGH COLLEGE

With 77% of KIPP New Jersey 8th graders matriculating to college, we have created support structures to make sure they get the rest of the way through.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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

RESULTS THAT MATTER

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.



VALUES



INSPIRE
GROWTH



NEVER
FAILING



THRIVE
FOR
EXCELLENCE



UPLIFT
OURSELVES
& OTHERS



YES WE CAN

MEET IRA GRIFFITH, SCHOOL LEADER

*Ira Griffith, School Leader, joined **KIPP Newark Community Prep** as a senior leader during its founding year. He started his career in education in Detroit as a Teach For America corps member and founding member of a middle school humanities team. Mr. Griffith then joined KIPP Newark as a middle school history teacher at **KIPP TEAM Academy** before serving as an assistant principal and principal at two different schools in New York. In addition to his extensive experience as a school leader, he has also educated aspiring teachers as an adjunct professor at Touro University. Mr. Griffith holds a BA in politics and government from Utica College of Syracuse University and an MA in teaching from Oakland University. He has lived in Newark for many years, and he and his wife Sharae, an assistant principal at **KIPP BOLD Academy**, welcomed their first child in the fall of 2019.*