



# KIPP COOPER NORCROSS HIGH SCHOOL

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**OPENED** Fall 2020  
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**HOURS** 8:00AM-4:03PM (M, Tu, Th, F)  
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**KIPP Cooper Norcross High School helps students become the innovators, leaders, and influencers of tomorrow, by teaching them to design, build and experiment today.**



ELIGIBLE FOR FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH



QUALIFY FOR SPED SERVICES



AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENTS



LATINX STUDENTS



STUDENTS SERVED



(GROWING TO 9-12)

### ABOUT KIPP HIGH SCHOOL

KIPP High School (KHS) is our first high school in Camden that opened in the fall of 2020 with 9th grade and will eventually grow to educate students in grades 9-12. KHS 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, KHS 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 KHS 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. Our 110,000-square-foot campus opened in 2015 and provides guaranteed enrollment for students in kindergarten through 9th grade living in the Lanning Square and Cooper Plaza neighborhoods. The Camden network includes KIPP Lanning Square Primary, KIPP Lanning Square Middle, KIPP Whittier Middle, and KIPP High School (currently growing to serve students in grades 9-12). These schools collectively educate 1,773 students, with the goal of eventually enrolling more than 3,800 students across seven schools.

# 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 offers rigorous academic courses aimed at college and career readiness for our students. But we go beyond academics to ensure student access to electives, extra-curriculars and athletics, that help 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 students have the skills they need to excel in higher education. Our advisors regularly meet students on college campuses, help them chart a course schedule, and host alumni events that offer opportunities for networking and exploring career opportunities.

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

KHS leaders aren't just brilliant and hardworking, they're dedicated to giving back to their community. KHS 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.

## PROGRESS REPORTING

KHS provides students and families with ample data to determine whether or not a student is on track. They include regular progress reports with academic data on class performance metrics, discipline data, reading growth data, and many others.

## VALUES



COMPASSION



COURAGE



CURIOSITY



PURSUIT



SERVICE



UBUNTU

## MEET DEANNA ACKERMAN, SCHOOL LEADER

Deanna Ackerman began her career in education as a Teach for America Corps Member at Mastery Charter's Shoemaker Campus in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where she worked as a grade level chair and instructional coach. Prior to joining **KIPP High School** in 2021 as the school's senior leader, Deanna supported ELA and science learning and led the sixth grade team as the assistant school leader at **KIPP Whittier Middle**. She previously worked as the assistant school leader of 10th Grade at **KIPP Newark Collegiate Academy** in Newark, New Jersey. Deanna earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from Lehigh University, where she studied environmental policy. She also holds a master's degree in urban education from the University of Pennsylvania. Outside of work, she enjoys spending time with her husband and family, reading, hiking, practicing yoga, and trying new restaurants.