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"We believe this work is the most important and rewarding work that we can do. Both of us came from public schools that prepared us for college and helped us love learning. Unfortunately, many schools are failing our students, especially students of color. Our vision is that Kings Collegiate Charter School will help redefine what families and students can expect from an urban public school."

—Lauren Harris and Laura Lee McGovern, Founding Co-Directors



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ENROLL AT KINGS

As a free public charter school, admission to Kings Collegiate is open to all New York City students by public lottery conducted in April. If you are interested in entering the lottery for the 2009-10 school year, please visit our website or contact us at 718-342-6047 or e-mail info@kingscollegiate.org for more information on the process.

JOIN OUR TEAM

If you are interested in applying to work at our school, at other schools within the Uncommon Schools network, or at the Uncommon home office, please visit our website at <http://www.uncommonschoools.org/usi/careers/> to complete our on-line application. If you have questions, please contact us at recruitment@uncommonschoools.org.

BE UNCOMMON

Uncommon Schools is a nonprofit organization that starts and manages outstanding urban charter public schools that close the achievement gap and prepare low-income students to graduate from college. The organization builds tight networks of philosophically aligned schools in close geographic proximity to one another so that principals and teachers can collaborate, benefit from common services, and focus on the urgent task of closing the achievement gap.

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IMAGINE

- Imagine your child already thinking ahead to college as part of his or her future.
- Imagine a school that sets the highest expectations for every child and every staff member, every day.
- Imagine no longer. Welcome to Kings Collegiate Charter School!

MISSION

The mission of Kings Collegiate Charter School is to prepare each student for college. Kings Collegiate opened in August 2007 with 81 fifth graders and will eventually grow to become a full middle and high school. In 2009-10, the school will serve 200 students in grades 5, 6, and 7. Kings Collegiate was the second Collegiate school to open in New York City, joining Williamsburg Collegiate Charter School, which opened in the summer of 2005. Bedford Stuyvesant Collegiate school opened in Brooklyn in summer 2008.

EDUCATIONAL PILLARS

Kings Collegiate Charter School's educational program is based upon three pillars:

- We believe that creativity flourishes within a structured academic environment.
- We have uncommonly high academic and behavioral expectations combined with extensive individual supports.
- We know that without great teachers, nothing else matters.

We believe that elevating student achievement and transforming lives requires

constant attention to hundreds of different elements - not one, magical 100% solution but rather one hundred, individual 1% solutions.

SMALL SCHOOL, SMALL CLASSES

With an average of 75 students per grade and a class size of 20-25 students, Kings Collegiate gives students the individual attention and consistent support they need to thrive.

MORE TIME

Kings Collegiate has a longer school year that runs for 10½ months and a longer school day that lasts for about nine hours. Enrichment activities are offered to everyone, while Homework Center, Detention, Tutoring, and Saturday School are required for students in need of academic or behavioral help.

ACADEMIC FOCUS

The structured learning environment at Kings Collegiate is one of intense academic focus, with teachers striving to combine joy and rigor in our classrooms everyday. Hard work is required to make sure students are reaching their fullest academic potential.

Kings Collegiate students take double periods of Math and English each day and are expected to complete two hours of homework each night. We assess students early and often to ensure they are on track to meet and exceed our high expectations.

SAFE, STRUCTURED ENVIRONMENT

Kings Collegiate students must follow, and parents are expected to support, the school's strict code of conduct. Our clear and consistently enforced discipline policy, which includes a school uniform, provides a foundation that says we take our students' safety and behavior seriously.

OUTSTANDING TEACHING

Kings Collegiate Charter School's success is dependent upon a founding staff of smart, committed, passionate, and experienced individuals who work relentlessly to achieve tangible results with their students.

PROVEN RESULTS AND LEADERSHIP

Kings Collegiate is modeled upon the best practices of two of the most successful charter schools in the nation: Roxbury Preparatory Charter School and Boston Collegiate Charter School. Both schools have had tremendous success in closing the achievement gap. Our caring, committed, and talented faculty is led by Co-Directors Lauren Harris and Laura Lee McGovern.