

Arizona State Board for Charter Schools

April 11, 2016



A History of Growth



- January, 2012:
 - chartered to open in Fall w/ 75 4th/5th graders
- Spring, 2013:
 - A rated school w/ 163 total points, Top 3%
 - Amended charter to add 3rd grade
- 2013-14:
 - Opened with 175 3rd-6th graders
 - Maintained A label and named National Reward School for exemplary achievement w/ Title 1 population
- 2014-15:
 - Grew to 375 3rd-7th graders
 - Achieved 1.69 years of growth on NWEA MAP test
- Fall, 2015:
 - Grew to more than 500 students

What We Believe

Our core philosophy is that every child has a purpose.

Each scholar who enters our classrooms is filled with unique gifts and interests--many of which they have yet to discover--that the world needs them to develop and apply to positively impact humanity.



What We Do

We exist to empower scholars to compete academically with students from any school in the country, combine what they learn with their unique gifts and interests to address real-world problems, and internalize the values necessary to excel in college, maximize their impact in the world, and fulfill the purpose for which they were created.



How we do it

- Talent is key
- People first
- Results matter
- Monitor and adjust
- Celebrate



Core characteristics

- College-prep curriculum
- Values-based education
- Safe, small community
- University Trips
- Internships and service projects
- Championship sports teams and electives
- Computer for each scholar
- Free tuition, transportation, breakfast and lunch provided



The Future

- Empower Collegiate Academy
- Empower Schools



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