



A BETTER CHANCE



Community
Schools Program

What is the A Better Chance Community Schools Program?

The Community Schools Program, or CSPs, are a group of organizations dedicated to providing outstanding education to our A Better Chance Scholars through public education. Our CSP Scholars share a home in communities with high performing public high schools. There are 20 CSPs in six states (NY, MA, CT, MN, PA, and WI) and many have operated for 30 or more years. Most programs are single-gender, and they typically host between 5 and 10 Scholars supervised by 2 or 3 adults. Two programs support separate boys' and girls' houses, and two houses are co-ed. Our CSPs provide a supportive family-like atmosphere where Scholars are academically challenged and learn independence and self-reliance in a safe and structured environment.

WHY SHOULD I CONSIDER A CSP?

- **Family-Like Atmosphere:**

Scholars live with other A Better Chance Scholars during high school. CSP Scholars-going through the same experiences- will eat, learn, support and grow together on their paths toward college.

- **Additional Support Offered:**

Host families, academic advisors, tutors and dozens of volunteers are there to help scholars have the best experience possible while preparing them for college and beyond.

- **Extended Family and Community:**

Hundreds of members of the community give money, time, and other resources to support our Scholars each year.

- **It's Affordable:**

There is little to no cost to families.

- **It Works:**

Our CSP Alumni attend outstanding Colleges and Universities and are leaders and pioneers in their respective industries across the country and around the world.

OUR CSP PARTNER HIGH SCHOOLS:

In recent years:

- Sixteen (16) of the high schools attended by CSP Scholars made the US News & World Report list of best high schools in the country.
- Eight (8) of the high schools have been ranked nationally for student performance and participation in AP math and science exams.
- Eight (8) of the high schools received a gold medal ranking with another ten (10) receiving silver and bronze medals
- On average, our partnering schools offer Advanced Placement courses in over 16 subject areas
- The student bodies at all of the partnering schools perform significantly above the national average on each section of the SAT

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE

The CSP class of 2018 will attend a wide range of colleges including:

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| • Boston University | • MIT | • University of Southern CA |
| • Depaul University | • New York University | • University of Connecticut |
| • Providence College | • George Washington University | • Tufts University |
| • Hampton University | • Franklin & Marshall College | • Wellesley College |

For more information on individual CSPs visit:
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