

THE MISSION OF

African-Centered College Preparatory Academy – Lower Campus

- To provide all students with a sense of purpose (NIA)
- To instill a belief that all students can learn and become productive, successful members of society
- To foster high standards of educational performance
- To provide an intensive college preparatory curriculum
- To infuse through the study and instruction of students the rich history and contributions of African and African-American people and culture
- To enable students to become aware of the relationship of the past to the present and future
- To help students to understand their time (historical chronology) and space (location) in the learning environment
- To equip students with the ability to academically see themselves as the focal point in learning
- To assist students in becoming leaders and contributors to the social, economic, and political structures of our society



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CULTURE RIGOR LEADERS

KC's only African-Centered Program



African-Centered College Preparatory Academy Lower Campus

Serving students pre-kindergarten through eighth grade



THE VISION OF

AC Prep is to ensure every student receives a quality education, with a strong cultural emphasis. We are committed to ensuring that we prepare our students to be college and/or career ready, so they will be able to compete in our global society. We will also teach our curriculum in a way that fosters a strong sense of self, through African-centered cultural values.

AC PREP PURPOSE

Along with a rigorous college prep academic curriculum, AC Prep teaches principals of Ma'at and the Nguzo Saba focusing on self-esteem, empowerment and responsible citizenship, along with the classical views of traditional African society.

Ma'at Principles:

- Control of thoughts and actions.
- Devotion of purpose.
- Having faith in the ability of your teacher to teach you the truth, and faith in yourself to understand and use the truth.
- Be free from resentment under the experience of persecution or wrong.
- Develop the ability to know the difference between right and wrong and real and unreal.

Nguzo Saba Values:

- Umoja: Unity in the family, community, nation, and race.
- Kujichagulia: Define, name, create and speak for ourselves.
- Ujima: Build and maintain our community together.
- Ujamaa: Build and maintain our own stores, shops, and other businesses and profit from them together.
- Nia: Make our collective job building and developing our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness.
- Kuumba: Do as much as we can, in the way we can, in order to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than we inherited it.
- Imani: Believe with all our hearts in our people, our parents, our teachers, our leaders and the righteousness and victory of our struggle.

ABOUT AC PREP

AC Prep provides a unique college preparatory curriculum that is consistent with KCPS, but strives to exceed its mandates due to our school's higher level of expectation and challenge. AC Prep stays in-tune with the distinctive foundation of cultural awareness that is important to the success of students in urban areas.

We focus on college readiness as well as teaching the rich history of African and African-American people and culture to give students the opportunity to drive their own success. Research shows that when students know their heritage, they are more likely to take pride in their performance and demonstrate improved behavior. The teaching of one's history develops a child's self-awareness and lends itself to a clearer understanding of what should be expected in the future.

Develop a life-long love of learning and leadership

Every day, our goal is to provide a culture where students can develop a life-long love of learning. As a one-to-one school, every student at AC Prep has his/her own technology device allowing teachers the opportunity to use innovative teaching to bring lessons to life. Students receive ongoing mentoring from an early age to develop key skills to become tomorrow's community leaders.

Activities to make school fun and challenging

Community partnerships are very important at AC Prep. Organizations support our school by providing volunteers who assist with programs and activities to help make school both fun and challenging for all of our students.

Serving students

Pre-Kindergarten thru Eighth Grade

Bell Times:

9:15 am – 4:15 pm

Uniforms:

K thru 2nd – Green polos & khaki bottoms

3rd thru 5th – Red polos & khaki bottoms

6th thru 7th – Black & khaki bottoms

8th – Black Polos & black bottoms

Shirts are to be solid short- or long-sleeved

Bottoms can be pants, skirt, jumper, or shorts

No denim is allowed



Free Pre-K Program

Free Before & After School Care (K-6)

Mentoring Programs

Cultural Arts:
Dance
Drumming
Visual Arts

Student Council

Detroit/Motown Performance

Greenhouse

STEAM Makers Room

Pylons Gifted Program

Middle School Sports