

## What is Gear Up?

GEAR UP (Gaining Early Awareness & Readiness for Undergraduate Programs) is one of the largest and most effective programs focused on increasing the college and career readiness of low income students in communities nationwide.

## What services does Gear Up provide?

GEAR UP programs provide professional development, academic mentoring and tutoring, college visits and tours, career exploration, student leadership, service learning, financial literacy activities for students and families, community building, ACT & test preparation, summer camps/STEM opportunities, and more!

## What makes Gear Up unique?

GEAR UP empowers local leaders from K-12, higher education, and the community to create and advance a shared agenda to strengthen pathways to college and career success. GEAR UP is distinctive in that it is organized around the fundamental premise that college and career readiness begins early. By engaging students in the middle grades and supporting them through high school and beyond, GEAR UP brings a comprehensive and systematic approach that has a sustained impact on schools.