



# Las Sierras Academy

## Together, we climb.



Las Sierras Academy (LSA) is the first initiative of its kind in New Orleans, offering free intensive and targeted programming for scholars who are new to the country. LSA is a specialized, one-year immersion program that builds English language proficiency alongside high school academic content, reinforced by comprehensive supports and services. LSA currently serves high school students from Collegiate Academies in New Orleans enrolled at Abramson Sci Academy, G.W. Carver High School, Livingston Collegiate Academy, and Walter L. Cohen High School.



English as a Second  
Language classes



Legal and mental  
health support



Comfortable  
environment  
and small classes

# How does Las Sierras work?

Students from Collegiate Academies in New Orleans attend LSA at Cohen High School for 1 or 2 semesters before returning to their "school of origin," having met their English proficiency goals.

To attend LSA, students must first enroll in a Collegiate Academies high school (grades 9-12). To enroll, visit [www.enrollnolaps.com](http://www.enrollnolaps.com) and choose one of these schools: Abramson Sci Academy, G. W. Carver High School, Livingston Collegiate, or Walter L. Cohen High School. Then, visit a family resource center to finalize enrollment.

## Why "Las Sierras"?

Our students have scaled mountains of obstacles to be here and show the same strength as 'the sierras' or mountain ranges. Our name also honors Ángela Andrade Sierra, a former Carver student who had cerebral palsy and was unable to walk, so her mother carried her to a new life in the United States. At Carver, she grew immensely in her English proficiency and passed all of her courses until her mother was deported when Ángela was in 11th grade and they were forced to return to Honduras. Ángela Andrade Sierra passed away in Honduras in 2020.



"Las Sierras Academy is about more than learning English, it's about gaining the courage to share your voice." – Stephanie, Las Sierras Academy alum



**THE VISION OF LAS SIERRAS ACADEMY IS TO PREPARE ALL SCHOLARS FOR COLLEGE SUCCESS, INSPIRED TO SHARE THEIR VOICES AND EXCEED ANY EXPECTATION.**

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