



CHARTER SCHOOL

Principal: Zeke Vanderhoek

The Equity Project (TEP) Charter School

#1: Highest Student Performance (ELA & Math)
Among all Non-Selective Middle Schools in District 6
for the Past 4 Years

180 Days of Music & P.E. Each School Year

Student Body

- 1,080 student Title I School (Grades K–8)
- 91% Latino, 3% African American
- 92% Free and Reduced Price Lunch
- 28% English Language Learners
- 22% Special Education Students
- 97% attendance rate (Top 1% of all peer schools)
- Priority given to 'At-risk' students in our admissions lottery

Curricular Program

- TEP students are in school from 7:45 AM–4 PM, approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes longer than the typical New York City school day.
- TEP operates on a year-round school calendar in order to (a) directly combat the 'Summer Slide' as a strategy for eliminating the achievement gap and (b) further efforts at developing a sustainable school model for teachers and staff.
- The academic portion of the day consists of 6 subjects: English, Math, Music, PE/Health, Science, and Social Studies.
- TEP's school culture is uniquely focused on music: every TEP student takes four years of classes in music literacy, history, and performance. School concerts feature TEP's student chorus, percussion ensembles, keyboard group, and jazz band.
- TEP has a variety of athletics and arts teams including Student Council, Step Team, Baseball, Basketball, Track, Debate Team, Volleyball, Choir, and Band.



TEP Charter
"boasts big pay
and big results"

—*The Wall Street Journal*

Hailed by the New York Times as
*"one of the country's most closely
watched educational experiments,"*
TEP pays its teachers a salary of \$125,000
(more than double the national average),
reallocating its public funds by making
an unprecedented investment in
attracting and retaining great teachers.



TEP Alumni

Since 2013, TEP has graduated over 900 students and has placed alumni in public, specialized, charter, parochial, independent, private and boarding high schools. In addition, our Alumni Engagement office tracks and supports alumni throughout their high school years into post-secondary.

- TEP alumni have enrolled in 120+ High Schools across NYC and the Northeast
- 82% of Class of 2019 alumni graduated in 4 years compared to 71% in Community School District 6
- TEP alumni have gone on to attend 6 out of the 9 NYC Specialized High Schools including Brooklyn Latin School, Bronx High School of Science and Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art
- TEP alumni are enrolled in over 80+ colleges nationwide including colleges and universities on the US News and World Report Top 40 Colleges and Top 50 Best Value Colleges in New York—such as Amherst College, The City College of New York, Harvard University, SUNY New Paltz and more

Locations

TEP Middle School (Grades 5–8)
153 Sherman Ave.
New York, NY 10034

TEP Elementary (Grades 2–4)
549 Audubon Ave., Trailer 30
New York, NY 10040

TEP Early Childhood (Grades K–1)
4280 Broadway, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10033



TEP alumni have enrolled in the high schools below:

Academy for Software Engineering	High School for Math	Riverdale Country Day School
All Hallows High School	Science and Engineering at	Riverdale / Kingsbridge Academy
Art and Design High School	City College	Rudolf Steiner School
Bard High School Early College	High School of Fashion Industries	South Bronx Community Charter
Beacon High School	Manhattan Center for Science	High School
Bronx High School of Science	and Mathematics	Special Music School
Bronx Latin School	Manhattan Early College School	Stephen T. Mather Building Arts
Brooklyn Friends School	for Advertising	& Craftsmanship High School
Brooklyn Latin School	Manhattan Village Academy	Stuyvesant High School
Brooklyn Technical High School	Manhattan/Hunter Science	Talent Unlimited High School
Cardinal Hayes High School	High School	The Facing History High School
Cardinal Spellman High School	Marble Hill High School for	The Hallen School
Cathedral High School	International Studies	The Hotchkiss High School
Celia Cruz Bronx High School	New Explorations into Science	The Loomis Chaffee School
of Music	Technology and Math High School	The Masters School
Central Park East High School	(NEST+m)	The Urban Assembly Schools
Choate Rosemary Hall	New Visions Charter High Schools	The Young Women's Leadership
Church Farm School	(Advanced Math & Science and	School (Bronx & Manhattan)
City College Academy of the Arts	Humanities)	Union Square Academy for
Cristo Rey High School	New York City Charter High School	Health Sciences
The Dalton School	for Architecture, Engineering and	University Heights
Ethical Culture Fieldston School	Construction Industries (AEC I & II)	Secondary School
Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School	NYC iSchool	University Neighborhood
Of Music	NYC Museum School	High School
Frank McCourt High School	Park East High School	University Prep Charter High School
Harvest Collegiate High School	Professional Performing Arts School	Washington Heights Expeditionary
	Repertory Company High School	Learning School (WHEELS)
	for Theatre Arts	

Leadership

Zeke Vanderhoek
Principal

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High School Guidance

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