

UCHICAGO Charter School



ABOUT

The University of Chicago Charter School (UChicago Charter) provides students with rigorous instruction and comprehensive academic and social supports to accelerate learning, develop college readiness, and cultivate self-responsibility and leadership. UChicago Charter is composed of three campuses that empower students to rise to excellence at every level. Our mission is to prepare 100 percent of students for college acceptance and graduation through a Pre-K to 12th grade “superhighway” that develops culturally aware, critical thinkers and leaders. UChicago Charter students have the opportunity to begin visiting college campuses in middle school, and alumni have attended selective colleges across the country, including the University of Chicago, Stanford University, Oberlin College, and the University of Illinois.

OUR RECORD OF SUCCESS

>> Two of the nation’s leading economists and education scholars—Harvard University’s Richard Murnane and University of California Irvine’s Greg Duncan—showcased the UChicago Charter North Kenwood/Oakland Campus as one of three of the nation’s most promising educational solutions in their book *Restoring Opportunity*.

>> An in-depth study of the UChicago Charter School elementary model found that students who attended the UChicago Charter School by virtue of winning a random lottery achieved substantially more in reading and mathematics than those who lost the lottery and were unable to attend the school.

>> UChicago Charter’s Woodlawn High School holds one of the highest college persistence rates of all non-selective high schools in Chicago.

A UNIVERSITY-EMBEDDED CHARTER SCHOOL

University of Chicago-based institutions provide arts programs, tutoring, and social work support, as well as free health screenings and wellness programs.

#1 IN COLLEGE PERSISTENCE

AMONG ALL
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SCHOOLS

AMBITIOUS INSTRUCTION AND LEARNING

UChicago Charter emphasizes the development of “higher-order” abilities such as the capacity to synthesize and explain complex ideas, construct arguments, test hypotheses, evaluate claims, and support conclusions with evidence.

A COLLEGE-GOING CULTURE

Each campus envelops students in a culture of high academic achievement, and high school students find support in a college resource center with full-time staff. Additionally, a Chief Alumni Officer maintains contact to support alumni through their college journeys.

EXCITING ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Students participate in visual and performing arts programs, including African dance and music, and highly competitive athletic programs in six different sports. Students may also attend small, non-traditional courses that foster self-directed learning.

For more information, please visit our website at:
uchicagocharter.org

ONGOING FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

A Director of Partnerships, Family, & Community Engagement maintains strong relationships with families in addition to the Family-Teacher-Community Organization and Advisory Council composed of parents and civic leaders.