



North Lawndale College Preparatory Charter High School

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Mission

The mission of North Lawndale College Preparatory Charter High School (NLCP) is to prepare young people from under-resourced communities for graduation from high school with the academic skills and personal resilience necessary for successful completion of college.

School and Community

NLCP opened in 1998 to meet a pressing community need of creating a neighborhood high school that provides an academically rigorous, yet socially and emotionally supportive, small school environment with personalized support for students enrolled in grades 9-12. NLCP opened a second campus, the Collins Campus, in 2007. The school operates under a 2 campuses-1 school model. The same curriculum and extracurricular activities are offered at each campus.

NLCP assigns an advisor to each incoming group of freshmen at each campus. The advisor stays with that group for the four years at NLCP and through their first year of college. This strategy pays huge dividends as we help the graduates – many of them the first in their family to go to college – make the difficult transition to college.

Enrollment

750 students in grades 9-12
97% African American / 3% Latino
92% Free & Reduced Lunch
97% neighborhoods on the West Side of Chicago
95% attendance / 91% retention

Faculty

58 full-time teaching staff
57% of teachers hold a Masters degree or higher
Student/Teacher ratio: 14:1

Graduation Requirements

Subject Area	C/O 2011-2013	C/O 2010
English	5.0	5.0
Math	5.0	5.0
Science	4.0	3.5
Social Studies	3.5	3.5
Foreign Language	2.0	2.0
Fine Arts	1.0	1.0
Health & Fitness	1.0	1.0
Computers	0.5	0.5
Electives	3.0	3.5
Total	25	25

Senior Project Graduation Requirement: Seniors showcase their academic success through the completion of a major research paper, project and presentation to a review committee.

Schedule & Curriculum

Starting in 2006-07, NLCP adopted a block trimester schedule. Students take 5 classes per trimester. Each class meets 4 times per week for a total of 344 minutes. A student may earn up to 2.5 credits per trimester and 7.5 credits annually. Each student participates in an Advisory class every trimester for four years. Advisory is a non-credit bearing class that meets for 42 minutes each week.

Advanced Placement & Honors Classes

64% of juniors and 67% of seniors take at least 1 AP class
AP Literature & Composition
AP Language & Composition
AP U.S. History
AP Government & Politics
Honors Algebra I
Honors Geometry
Honors Advanced Algebra II & Trigonometry
Honors Pre-Calculus
Honors American Literatures
Honors World Literatures
Honors Biology

GPA, Rank & Recovery Credits

Grade	Percent	GPA Scale
A	93-100	4.0
A-	90-92	3.67
B+	87-89	3.33
B	83-86	3.0
B-	80-82	2.67
C+	77-79	2.33
C	73-76	2.0
C-	70-72	1.67
F	0-69	0.0

Honors courses are weighted by 1.0 and AP classes are weighted by 2.0. Students are ranked at each campus.

Students may recover failed classes at NLCP in Summer School and Saturday School. Beginning in Summer 2009, students earn letter grades for recovery classes.

Unique Program Offerings

Phoenix Rising Summer Program: An opportunity for NLCP students to participate in three consecutive summers of off-site enrichment experiences at leadership development programs, academic and college programs and internship programs. A total of 175 students participated in the program in 2009.

AVID: A national program that first was implemented at NLCP in 2007-08. AVID targets middle tier students and prepares them for success in college. The AVID elective is offered to a cohort of students at each campus in grades 9-11.

College Attendance

100% of graduates have been accepted to at least one college or university. College attendance and retention rates have increased, along with the competitiveness of the colleges and universities the students choose to attend.

30% of graduates attend 2-year colleges

70% of graduates attend 4-year colleges or universities

NLCP’s mission is for students to graduate college and we take that responsibility seriously. NLCP employs a Director of Alumni Affairs to support our students in their post-secondary endeavors. As part of that responsibility the Alumni Director tracks college retention and has determined that NLCP graduates are ahead of the national and CPS college retention and graduation rates.

Graduates have been accepted to the following colleges and universities:

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| Alabama A&M University | Millikin University |
| Alcorn State University | Monmouth College |
| Arizona State University | Morehouse College |
| Arkansas State University | Northern Illinois University |
| Baker College | Northern Michigan University |
| Bethune-Cookman College | Northland Technical College |
| Bowling Green State University | Oberlin College |
| Bradley University | Ohio State University |
| Carleton College | Ohio University |
| Central Michigan University | Ohio Wesleyan University |
| Chicago State University | Olivet Nazarene University |
| City Colleges of Chicago | Otterbein College |
| Clark Atlanta University | Pomona College |
| Colby-Sawyer College | Purdue University |
| Columbia College | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute |
| Coppin State University | Robert Morris College |
| Dartmouth College | Southern Illinois University @ Carbondale |
| Denison University | Southern Illinois University @ Edwardsville |
| DePaul University | Spelman College |
| DePauw University | St. Augustine University |
| Dillard University | St. Louis University |
| Doane College | St. Xavier University |
| Dominican University | Syracuse University |
| Earlham College | Temple University |
| Eastern Illinois University | Tennessee State University |
| Elmhurst College | Trinity Christian College |
| Florida A&M University | Trinity Evangelical College |
| Goshen College | Tuskegee University |
| Grambling State University | University of Arizona |
| Grinnell College | University of Illinois @ Chicago |
| Hampton University | University of Illinois @ Springfield |
| Howard University | University of Illinois @ Urbana/Champaign |
| Illinois Institute of Technology | University of Iowa |
| Illinois State University | University of Kansas |
| Illinois Wesleyan University | University of Memphis |
| Indiana University | University of Minnesota |
| Indiana State University | University of Pittsburgh |
| Iowa State University | University of Wisconsin |
| Jackson State University | Voorhees College |
| Johnson C. Smith University | Western Illinois University |
| Kent State University | Western Michigan University |
| Kishwaukee College | Williams College |
| Lake Forest College | Wright State University |
| Lawrence University | Xavier University |
| Lincoln College | |
| Lincoln University | |
| Loyola University | |
| Miami University of Ohio | |
| Michigan State University | |