# KIPP THROUGH COLLEGE

# WHAT WE DO

### **College Match**

The KTC team invests students and families throughout elementary and middle school. Once our students are in high school, they are given a college advisor who will support them in the following areas: boarding school and summer program applications, college field lesson opportunities, college application and financial aid application assistance, and scholarship support.

We know from research and experience that many students in our communities apply to less-selective schools with lower graduation rates, even if they could get into more-selective schools with higher graduation rates. They undermatch. College advisors, in partnership with families, guide students to matriculate to their best fit college.

#### **College Persistence**

The work of KTC does not end when our students graduate high school. Our College Persistence team supports first generation, persisting college students with a variety of topics including regular contact (via campus visits, email, texts, and calls), academic progress, financial aid, socio-emotional issues, campus life, internships, and career options.

Our team also meets with college administrators to tackle systematic barriers that affect the students we support and those like them. We connect students with campus support systems already in existence and close the gap of support needed by implementing our own programs to support students. **1,350+** STUDENTS SERVED





COLLEGE PERSISTENCE (of all college starters)



(over 5x the low-income average)

# **PARTNERS & INITIATIVES**



#### **Alumni Advising**

Research shows that many students intend to go to college, but far fewer finish because of challenges and complexities. To combat this, each KIPP Delta student receives an alumni advisor upon graduation. These advisors support and coach students through matriculation and all the way through college graduation. Advisors are always a call, email, or text away. They answer questions, connect students with on-campus services, support in the development of life skills, and act as an advocate for the student. Advisors also spent time on college campuses building relationships to improve student success.

#### **College Partners**



The KTC Team develops targeted college partners to ensure KIPPsters have the support to enroll, persist, and graduate. Since 2011, KIPP has partnered with more than 95 colleges and universities. Our current regional partnerships include:

- Hendrix College
- Ouachita Baptist University
- University of Arkansas at Fayetteville
- University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff



#### **Delta College Attainment Network**

The Delta College Attainment Network (DCAN) is a collaborative organization coordinated by KTC bringing post-secondary advising and guidance to local public high schools in the Arkansas Delta. Through this collaboration, we share the resources and knowledge to increase post-secondary outcomes for these students. In this agreement, we staff each school with college advisors to work with high school students and alumni advisors to support college students through challenges they may experience.

# **REGIONAL NETWORK**

KIPP Delta Public Schools is part of the KIPP non-profit network of college-preparatory, public charter schools. Our schools are free, and enrollment is open to all students. KIPP Delta was founded in 2002 with a class of 65 fifth graders in Helena, AR. Over the years, we have expanded to serve more than 1,350 students on six campuses in three Arkansas communities.



- KIPP Blytheville College Preparatory School // Grades 3-6
- KIPP Blytheville Collegiate High School // Grades 7-12
- KIPP Forrest City College Preparatory School // Grades 5-8
- KIPP Delta Elementary Literacy Academy // Pre-K-Grade 5
- KIPP Delta College Preparatory School // Grades 6-8
- KIPP Delta Collegiate High School // Grades 9-12

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