

# KIPP BAY AREA SCHOOLS

## KIPP SAN FRANCISCO COLLEGE PREPARATORY

A RIGOROUS “NO EXCUSES” ENVIRONMENT WHERE STUDENTS OWN OUTCOMES

“ We believe that KIPP SF College Prep can create an important model for subsequent high expectations, no-excuses high schools that are serving predominantly low-income students. ”

CAROLINE GIFFORD, PRINCIPAL, KIPP SAN FRANCISCO COLLEGE PREPARATORY

### KEY FEATURES:

- ✓ New School
- ✓ Station Rotation Blended Model
- ✓ Next Generation Staffing Model
- ✓ College Readiness and Success

### AT A GLANCE:

**Start Date:** Fall 2013  
**Grades Served:** 9-12  
**Location:** San Francisco, CA  
**Operator:** KIPP Bay Area Schools  
**Operator Type:** Charter  
**Setting:** Urban  
**Students at Start:** 119  
**Students at Capacity:** 500

### MODEL TOOLBOX:

**Student Information System & Gradebook:** PowerSchool  
**Assessment Tools and Approaches:** Illuminate, CCSS-aligned benchmarks, Performance assessments  
**Digital Content Providers:** Achieve3000, Khan Academy, Rosetta Stone, Exit Ticket  
**Hardware:** 1:1 Chromebooks

**The Vision:** KIPP SF College Prep believes that education is the key that will allow students to realize their fullest potential. Starting with 9th grade in fall of 2013, KIPP SF College Prep will add one grade per year to become 9-12. Through a rigorous academic program and a dynamic, engaging learning environment, KIPP SF College Prep prepares students for success in college and beyond, empowers students to be informed citizens who participate actively in their local and global communities, and enables students to think critically to solve problems, collaborate with peers, and become innovators and creators. The school may serve as a critical proof point at the high school level for financially sustainable, personalized learning for students of color and students from low-income families.

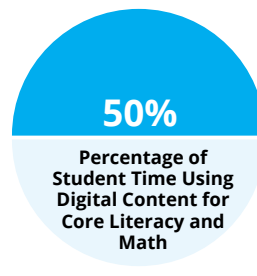
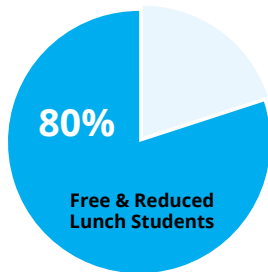
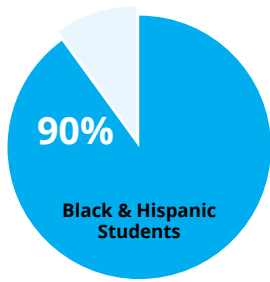
**The Academic Model:** KIPP SF College Prep is the first KIPP high school in the country to open as a blended model. Throughout each class, student-centered learning is prioritized and much of the learning time is self-paced. The required lesson plan format has moved away from the traditional model of direct instruction and encourages teachers to have students do more of the

talking, the thinking, and the mental work during class time. The role of the teacher has shifted from the distributor of knowledge to a coach that guides students through a variety of learning experiences.

Teachers and students also use tech-enabled data and learning tools. The school is utilizing Khan Academy for geometry and algebra classes. Khan Academy's adaptive software platform allows students to move at their own pace as they complete exercises and watch interactive videos. In literature classes, students use Achieve3000 to practice reading and analyzing leveled informational text. The school is piloting a “shifted classroom” (or “flipped classroom”) model in biology and using Rosetta Stone to drive instruction in Spanish classes. Students will also participate regularly in Socratic Seminars with a digital component in their literature and pre-AP world history classes.

Teachers and students use Exit Ticket, a daily electronic classroom assessment tool, as well as interim assessments and end-of-course exams built around the Common Core State Standards and aligned to ACT College Readiness Standards. Both teachers and students monitor prog-

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**BLENDED SUBJECTS:**  
Literacy, Math, Biology

## BY THE NUMBERS:

Year 1 public revenue per pupil: \$7,311

Year 1 expenses per pupil: \$12,128

Year 4 revenue per pupil: \$9,349

Year 4 expenses per pupil: \$9,332

Years to sustainability: 5

ress on these assessments via a data dashboard. KIPP SF College Prep will offer a robust Advanced Placement program where all students are expected to take at least one AP exam. KIPP SF College Prep expects that at least 80 percent of its students will pass at least one AP Exam so that they are able to enter college with earned credits, thus easing the transition to postsecondary education.

**The Organizational Model:** KIPP Bay Area Schools is paying close attention to the needs of its teachers as they build their capacity for teaching in a blended learning environment. Throughout the school year, teachers are supported in a community of practice at the school site that is

focused on improving digital learning within the school. The community of practice is led by a new staffing role—the technology integration specialist—and reflects the ongoing coordination and iterative process among teachers to develop their skills in short cycles that are responsive to student needs. In addition, one full week of professional development is provided to teachers before the start of school and teachers participate in two 90-minute sessions of professional development each month.

**The Operator:** KIPP SF College Prep is part of KIPP Bay Area Schools, a network of eight college preparatory, public charter schools that prepare students for success in college

and the competitive world beyond. Of KIPP Bay Area Schools' 2,800 students, 97 percent are students of color and 75 percent qualify for the federal free-and-reduced price meals program. Eighty-five percent of KIPP's alumni enroll in college, nearly twice the national average for low-income students. KIPP Bay Area Schools belongs to the national KIPP network, which operates 141 schools in 20 states and Washington, D.C., serving over 50,000 students.

## DAY IN THE LIFE

### CLASSROOM ROTATION



- Math (60 minutes) is personalized daily through rotations, small groups, and collaboration
- 70% of Composition class is self-paced
- Students in Foundations class might spend an additional 45-50 personalized minutes each day

### SEMINARS AND ADVISORY



- Students set individual goals, action plans, and reflections in Advisory (25 minutes)
- In College Readiness Seminar (60 minutes) students analyze data dashboards and pursue self-paced content
- An online coding class is integrated into the College Readiness Seminar

### OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL



- Science uses "shifted" learning with teacher-created and curated videos at home
- Class time in science is freed for project work, labwork, and small group collaboration

Throughout the school day, classes offer learning experiences that are student-centered, but classes are personalized and adapted to what each student knows in different ways.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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