Chicago Hope Academy

At a glance

Students were awarded $10 million in college scholarships in 2020-21

100% College acceptance rate for class of '21

100% Students Receive Financial Aid

8:1 student:staff ratio

282 Students

56 Zip Codes

100% First generation college bound

17 Athletic Teams In IHSA

10 College Credit courses available

Average class size of 14

98% young men and women of color

20% Higher ACT scores avg than CPS avg

100% Participation in bible classes and daily discipleship groups

What did we do this year?

1. Educated students in the midst of a pandemic, prioritizing social-emotional health and well-being as we ministered to families
2. Sowed into the lives of 330 students despite tragedies and hardships
3. Launched "Student of the Week", awarded in Chapel to the student who exhibits the fruits of the Spirit, service and humility in the Hope community
4. Launched the Annual Run and Walk for Hope; students raised over $35k and drew over 100 attendees
5. In chapel, 16 students have committed their lives to following Jesus Christ
6. Launched the in-person Career Development series with the University of Chicago Booth School of Business with 34 students
7. Had 92 students admitted to 212 different colleges with $14m in scholarships
8. Students have played in 87 athletic contests as we transition out of COVID-19
9. Hired 3 new Senior Leadership members and 2 Development team members
10. President Ike Muzikowski has been featured by Notre Dame, University of Chicago and New Canaan Society as a leader in Education

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<td>Student body size</td>
<td>254</td>
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<td>% of students accepted to 1 school by Dec 31</td>
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Chicago Hope Academy continues to shine the light of Christ in what has been a dark stretch in our city. Small, but powerful, we are doing more than our part in year seventeen. While many of our families are unable to pay the $16,800 it costs to fund each student’s experience, we are determined to provide an incredible and affordable education. With 33% of Chicago Public School students unaccounted for last school year, the academic achievement gaps widened. Meanwhile, Hope had a 100% head count.

Our administration and teachers humbly and relentlessly put our students and families first in small classes (14:1 student:teacher ratio) with measurable results (20% higher ACT scores than the CPS average) and spiritual formation (daily discipleship groups and weekly Chapels). While we have a 100% college acceptance rate (students in the class of 2020 were admitted to UChicago, Brown, Columbia and Wheaton) we strive to provide each student with the right outcome for their family.

Most importantly, we believe every student should experience a sense of belonging. I greet 100% of students at the door, ensure they've heard their name 3 times before 1st period, and know every single family. We have daily Discipleship Groups and weekly chapels that teach the beauty of character and living out one’s purpose in the world. We seek to empower students because we won’t change Little Village or North Lawndale. But they will. **Come and see.**

Ike Muzikowski
President & Principal
I am Hope

Meet Giselle Henry:

A senior at Chicago Hope Academy who has her eyes set on the University of Notre Dame. In her application, Giselle responded to the following prompt with humility and hopefulness.

What would you fight for?

From the gleaming highrises of Lake Shore Drive to combinations of industrial and postmodern design on State Street, each area in downtown Chicago sets a unique standard for the potential of structural beauty. Even so, against a backdrop of surplus there stood a man in a crosswalk, asking for spare change. I saw him everyday on the way to school. Surrounded by beauty and excess, he had nothing; a city with so much to give never gave to him. I never had the privilege of speaking with him, but every day I looked into his eyes and knew in my heart that I could help him build the home that he deserved.

Last summer, I served with Franciscan Outreach after church. Building community with people from the homeless shelter allowed me to have sincere conversations that reinforced my belief that those labelled as drunks, drug addicts, and failures weren't problems to be ignored, but people who deserved to be helped. I plan to design tiny homes, fully outfitted with heating, cooling, plumbing, and furnishing so that disadvantaged people can have a place to call their own. I am confident that Notre Dame’s unique teaching of architecture through the tripartite lens of knowledge, reason, and virtue will holistically equip me to build communities of sustainable houses that people can call home.
What are our needs?

Support Hope’s needs and become a part of the family

GENERAL DONATIONS
Hope funds a $14,000 gap per student per year

INVEST IN KIDS / EMPOWER
75% Tax Credit
Scholarship program through Empower Illinois

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ANNUAL FUND
Funds our Annual Operating Budget of salaries, maintenance and other expenses. Here is a snapshot of short-term needs:

Student scholarship.................$14,000
One Faculty/Staff Salary..........$50,000
Academic supplies..................$10,000
Fund the Hope Eagle Bus.........$25,000

SUSTAINABILITY FUND
We are seeking to raise a $20M Sustainability Fund that will support Hope over the long term. While that campaign will begin in the third quarter of 2022, here is a snapshot of short-term needs:

Athletic Upgrades
Fund Eagle Blue carpet............$4,000
Underwrite trophy cases..........$4,000
Help renovate locker rooms.......$7,000
Replace weight room turf.........$15,000

Academic Upgrades
Support Science chair..............$5,000
Upgrade ventilation system.......$15,000
Update Hope’s Technology.......$20,000
Upgrade the School Roof.......$20,000