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## **Education Equality Index Recognizes Columbus Collegiate Academy - Main Street** *CCA-Main Street Cited as One of Top 10 Local Schools Closing the Achievement Gap*

According to the Education Equality Index, a national, first-of-its-kind analysis of education opportunity and disparity released today, United Schools Network's flagship school is one of the 10 best Columbus schools in educating low-income students.

The Education Equality Index cited Columbus Collegiate Academy-Main Street (CCA-Main Street) among the top 10 schools in the city with the smallest achievement gap between low-income students and those with more financial means.

"Every child deserves an equal shot at success in school and life," said United Schools Network CEO Andrew Boy. "We're proud of the work being done here at CCA-Main Street, and in all our schools, to give all students an opportunity to achieve, and we hope other schools can learn from our success."

Both district and charter schools are represented in the list of the top 10 Columbus schools with small or nonexistent achievement gaps that serve a student population where the majority are from low-income families.

The Education Equality Index's finding is consistent with success demonstrated by all United Schools Network schools on the most recent state report card in which CCA-Main Street and its sister school, CCA-Dana Avenue, both received an "A" for student progress and exceeded the Ohio average in reading and math proficiency.

The Education Equality Index is the first national comparative measure of the achievement gap at the school, city and state levels, and identifies the regions where children from low-income communities are most likely to attend schools with small or nonexistent achievement gaps. Funded by the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation and developed in partnership with Education Cities and GreatSchools, it features school, city and state-level data covering the nation's 100 biggest cities in 35 states.

Find a link to the full report [here](#). Other Columbus schools included in the top 10 are: Arts & College Preparatory Academy, Columbus Alternative High School, Columbus Preparatory Academy, Hamilton Intermediate School, Hamilton Middle School, Hamilton Township High School, Horizon Science Academy Columbus, Noble Academy-Columbus and North Franklin Elementary School.

### **About United Schools Network:**

United Schools Network is a non-profit charter management organization which began as a single middle school, Columbus Collegiate Academy, in 2008. Currently, USN serves over 600 K-3 and 6 – 8 students in 3 schools and is dedicated to preparing elementary and middle school students to achieve academic excellence and to become citizens of integrity. Admission is open to all students; academic proficiency is not considered during the admissions process. 75% of our students are students of color and over 90% are economically disadvantaged. Additional information about United Schools Network can be found at [www.unitedschoolsnetwork.org](http://www.unitedschoolsnetwork.org).