



Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy
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SCHOOL OVERVIEW

WHO WE ARE

Founded in 2004, Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy (HFCA) is a public charter high school delivering a college-focused education to high school scholars from across the City of Milwaukee for over 15 years.

Our school sets ambitious goals for student achievement with the goal of creating scholars who are college, career, and life ready. Our graduates are consistently accepted into colleges and universities at a rate of 100% percent since 2012.

We do more than prepare our scholars for higher education. We provide them with the skills necessary to make change in society and help transform their local, national, and global communities.

OUR MISSION AND VISION

Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy's mission is to nurture scholars capable of transforming their world, by sending them to and through college.

Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy's vision is to produce responsible leaders through academic mastery, community focused education and the fostering of lifelong learning in any environment.

Overall Score



Meets Expectations

As part of the state accountability system, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) produces report cards for every publicly funded district. Due to Wisconsin Act 185 there will be no new state accountability report cards issued during the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school year.

ABOUT OUR SCHOLARS AND FAMILIES

- ✓ Over 300 scholars with growing enrollment.
- ✓ Over 90% of our scholars qualify for free and reduced lunch; 98% are Black; and 18% of scholars have a diagnosed learning disability.
- ✓ Many scholars enter high school with a belief that college is not attainable for them; the school prides itself on changing that paradigm.

COLLEGE READINESS SCORE

	Postsecondary Readiness Score	Economically Disadvantaged
Reagan	96	65%
Wisconsin Lutheran	95	36%
King International	94	53%
Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy	92	96%
Riverside	92	81%
Milwaukee Lutheran	92	38%
Hope Christian High	91	78%
Carmen/South Campus	90	91%
Milwaukee Community Cyber High	89	90%
Milwaukee High School of the Arts	88	75%

The School On-Track and Postsecondary Readiness Score gives schools an indication of how successfully scholars are achieving educational milestones that predict postsecondary readiness.

EARLY COLLEGE CREDITS EARNED

How many scholars have earned early college credit since the pilot began in 2018?



POINTS OF PRIDE

- ✓ 100% college acceptance rate since 2012; the Class of 2020 earned over \$3.5 million in scholarship dollars
- ✓ Every scholar has an adult mentor who guides their goal setting and celebrates their success
- ✓ Teachers are developed through more than 200 hours of professional development and are nurtured to become school leaders
- ✓ Early College and Career pathways that set up scholars for success in Technology, Business, Health Care and college preparation.





TRANSFORMATIONAL MOMENT

Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy is in a growth phase, with scholars enrolling from across the city to join our college-prep, personalized learning environment. Our growing student population has demonstrated that the goal of 450 scholars is achievable however our current facility is inadequate for our programming including our Early College Program and our technology, health care, and business Career Pathways.

THE CASE FOR A NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

In 2020, the Board of Directors voted to build a new school at 2228 N. Vel R. Phillips Avenue, located just off Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive. A minority developer has been selected to lead the project. This area was chosen because it is in the midst of a nearly \$100 million revitalization, its central location, and connection to current and future business and community partners. The area is part of a comprehensive redevelopment within the Halyard Park Neighborhood, and surrounded by the Historic Bronzeville cultural district and the Harambee neighborhood. The Medical College of Wisconsin and Greater Milwaukee Foundation are relocating offices in the area which allows greater access for our programming. A capital campaign has begun to fund the construction, and capital, operational and programmatic needs to meet enrollment of up to 500 scholars. An updated facility improves scholars' access to new partnerships with businesses, community agencies, and nonprofit organizations.

- ✓ Scholars will receive quality in-place amenities – library, study areas, gymnasium, state-of-the art cafeteria, open spaces, and conference rooms
- ✓ The site is attractive for the retention and recruitment of teachers and families from throughout the city, and provides a connection between the school and thriving, historic neighborhoods
- ✓ Closes a gap in equitable educational facilities which leads to improved learning outcomes

OUR CULTURE

- ✓ HFCA's college-going culture is transformative.
- ✓ We are a school, but we function as a family.
- ✓ We value our partnerships with parents.
- ✓ We are a community of learners and leaders.
- ✓ We begin preparing scholars for college and career on Day One.

OUR INSTRUCTIONAL APPROACH

- ✓ A guaranteed and viable curriculum that supports our scholars college aspirations
- ✓ Personalized learning to meet scholars' academic and social emotional needs
- ✓ Weekly 1:1 connecting with scholars through mentoring and two-way communication with scholars' families
- ✓ Focused teacher coaching through cycles of learning, observation, and feedback
- ✓ Developing every scholar in college and career readiness through early college opportunities
- ✓ Co-teaching in all English and mathematics classrooms
- ✓ Lower than average caseloads for counselors, special education case managers, and teachers
- ✓ A commitment to every scholar's to and through college journey even after graduation

THE IMPACT OF COVID

- ✓ We successfully engage our scholars and families, check on their well-being regularly and provide pathways for parents to participate in our decision-making process.
- ✓ To ensure equity, every scholar has access to school-provided technology and Internet access.
- ✓ HFCA's CARE Team and counselors have prioritized the mental health and the well-being of scholars and their families

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