

Power House High

Henry Ford Academy: Power House High opened in August 2008 and is working to ensure that all students in North Lawndale and surrounding neighborhoods on Chicago's West Side have access to a quality education that prepares them for college and career success.

We provide academic rigor, a college-going culture, a project-based curriculum, and real-world learning experiences in the community and at local workplaces. All enrolled students attend tuition-free.

Power House High was developed by Henry Ford Learning Institute and Homan Square, and is located at the award-winning Charles H. Shaw Technology & Learning Center on the site of the original Sears, Roebuck & Co. world headquarters.

Our school is proud to be a part of Ford Motor Company and Ford Motor Company Fund's Operation Goodwill, which is committed to creating a brighter future in communities across the Chicago metropolitan area.



Students, staff and community members celebrated the grand opening of Power House High's permanent home on August 29, 2009.

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In accordance with Illinois law, admission to Henry Ford Academy: Power House High is open to all students residing in the City of Chicago regardless of race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, disability, or aptitude. Henry Ford Academy: Power House High is a tuition-free public school.



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Preparing students for college
and career success

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Henry Ford Academy: Power House High's Focus...

Engaging students by making the connection between what they learn in school and the real world beyond

Ensuring that students graduate

Preparing students for college and their chosen careers

Developing the innovation skills that today's employers are seeking



Representatives of Power House High's Class of 2012

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All of our students are expected to demonstrate maturity and personal responsibility in the school and throughout the wider community. To graduate, every Power House High student must demonstrate proficiency in each of the Five Developmental Areas: Academic Content, Technology, Communication, Thinking & Learning, and Personal Development.

Preparing Students for College and Career Success

Power House High is a small school that provides:

Immersion in a college-going culture

In-depth exploration of college and career pathways

Small class sizes and more hours of instruction

Structured workplace experiences in the community, such as internships and job shadowing experiences

Hands-on, project-based learning led by highly qualified teachers

An engaging curriculum designed to create the habits, knowledge and skills students need to achieve at high levels

Targeted support for academic achievement

Field experiences in the community

Inclusive family atmosphere where parents are welcomed as partners

Student leadership development programs

After school activities, including sports and interest-based clubs

Opportunities to observe adults learning and working in a variety of fields

Free Spirit Media video production training

Access to Homan Square Community Center facilities and service providers

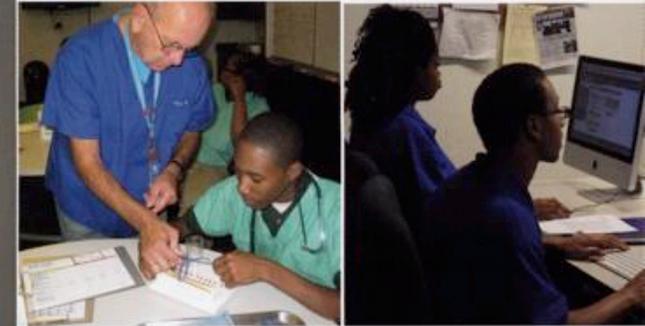
And so much more!



Built on a History of Academic Success

Power House High is based on the nationally recognized model first implemented at Henry Ford Academy in Dearborn, Michigan.

HFA: Dearborn is located on the grounds of The Henry Ford Museum, a national cultural attraction. HFA: Dearborn has a cumulative graduation rate of more than 90 percent. One hundred percent of the 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010 graduating classes were accepted to two- and four-year colleges and universities. The students were drawn by random lottery. Like HFA: Dearborn, Power House High is a Henry Ford Academy that draws on the strength of community partnerships to help all students achieve at high levels.



To graduate, all Power House High students must successfully complete the Senior Mastery Process (SMP), a three-part, 18-month capstone experience. During the SMP, students prepare for and complete an exploration of their individual career interests, design and conduct a substantial action research project, engage in an internship associated with that research, and present their findings in a formal defense.