

HIGHSIGHT

A BETTER EDUCATION.
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HighSight's mission is to provide academic and social support to Chicago high school students. HighSight provides scholarships, tutoring, mentoring, leadership development and college readiness programs to enable its students to attend and succeed at the private high school of their choice.

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TOP 5 REASONS TO INVEST IN HIGHSIGHT

#1 COLLEGE READINESS

HighSight provides students with academic and mentoring support helping them to get the best grades possible and preparing them for college. **Rosa Juarez**, a HighSight parent, said, *“HighSight is a family commitment. When we committed, HighSight guided my son, Cristian, to have the best education, preparing him for college and the future.”*

#2 LIFE-CHANGING

HighSight makes it possible for students to build a strong resume with summer enrichment programs and internships. **Jovanni Martinez '15**, said, *“HighSight gave me the opportunity to experience Thailand. I learned and practiced Buddhist traditions, taught English, rode an elephant, and tried zip lining and water buffalo riding. Without HighSight, I would have never had this life changing experience.”*

#3 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

HighSight works to create strong, kind leaders with the character development and leadership curriculum. **Chris Razo '13**, current student at Furman University, explains, *“HighSight gave me the opportunity to learn to be a leader. At Furman, I have not been afraid to accept leadership roles. I have represented my class as freshman class president, and have been heavily involved with clubs such as: HOLA (VP), Mosaic, Student Advisory Board, EROS, Pre-Law Society, and College Democrats. I am the founding president of TAU KAPPA EPSILON, and am on Mock Trial. I am also employed in the library and with a local non-profit, Bridges to a Brighter Future. Overall, without HighSight's leadership development and college counseling, I would not be at Furman nor would I be the leader I am today.”*

#4 COLLEGE GRADUATION

HighSight scholars attend and graduate from outstanding colleges across the country. **Angelicca Telles '10** explains, *“Being from Little Village, I never dreamed I would end up at one of the most prestigious colleges in the nation on a full ride scholarship. HighSight, however, didn't just dream it, they made it a reality for me and for my peers. Because of HighSight, I had the opportunity to graduate from Pomona College.”*

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ALUMNI GIVING BACK

HighSight Alumni have become donors and are choosing to give back. We are excited to welcome the following new members of our Advancement Board:

JAMESON TAYLOR

> Gordon Tech, Class of 2008 > Illinois Wesleyan University, Class of 2012



I attended Illinois Wesleyan University where I earned my BA in Business Administration with a Marketing Concentration. I am currently a Relationship Banker for JPMorgan Chase Bank. I spend my days helping our affluent customers with all of their financial needs.

I am excited to be on the Advisory because it gives me an opportunity to help spread the word about HighSight's mission and it keeps me involved with the organization that helped mold me throughout my scholastic career. As an alum, I believe I am qualified to be an advocate for the program and it is my duty to help give back any way I can.

KARINA MENDEZ

> Holy Trinity, Class of 2009 > Pomona College, Posse Scholar, Class of 2013



During my time at Pomona, I pursued a degree in Sociology and Spanish, was captain of the Hip Hop Dance team, spent a summer teaching English in rural Costa Rica, studied abroad in Madrid, Spain, and completed a Summer Undergraduate Research Project in Puerto Rico - "A Case Study: The History of Reproductive Rights of Puerto Rican Women". Upon graduating in 2013, I accepted a position at Allstate Insurance as part of their Leadership Development Program where I currently work as a Project Manager for Allstate Business Operations. I have been an active supporter and advocate of HighSight since high school years and continue to demonstrate my dedication to our mission.

I feel so honored to have been invited to serve on HighSight's Advancement Team. HighSight has played such an integral role in my journey to a becoming the woman I am today. I owe much of my success and opportunities to the guidance and support that I received from HighSight - and I am thrilled to be a part of a team of individuals who believe in HighSight's mission and will work to continue impacting the lives of the our scholars, their families and the greater community.

VONZELL COLEMAN

> Holy Trinity, Class of 2009 > Pomona College, Posse Scholar, Class of 2013



I am currently a financial analyst with Wells Fargo in Chicago. Before starting my career in financial services with Wells, I earned my degree in Economics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison [GO BADGERS!]. As a 2009 alum of both De La Salle Institute and HighSight, I am excited to have the opportunity to now serve on the Advancement Board—advocating for HighSight's cause in providing academic and social support to its scholars, while giving back to an organization that has been instrumental in my development. In all, I'm looking forward to an amazing 2016!

EVE OF THE EVE 2015

This year's Eve of the Eve raised half of the amount we need to send our students to quality schools and provide the programming to get them to the best colleges possible.

The other half comes from YOU: our donors, our supporters, our friends. We challenge you to continue your support in 2016 to help us assist as many deserving young Chicagoans as possible.



To view all the pictures from EVE of the EVE 2015, please visit highlight.org.



Thank you for making our 22nd Annual Eve of the Eve a success!

We are deeply grateful to all our guests, supporters and sponsors, whose generosity helps to provide the scholarships, tutoring, mentoring, leadership development and college readiness programs that enable our scholars to succeed at Chicago's private high schools.

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HIGHTSIGHT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Scholarship Dinner

Thursday, May 5, 2016

Go Another Mile
Scholarship Dinner

5:30pm – 8:30pm

Chicago Cultural Center
78 East Washington Street

a Midsummer
EVE *of the* EVE

Friday, June 17, 2016

Midsummer Eve of the Eve

5:30pm – 9:00pm

Vertigo Sky Lounge
2 West Erie

Visit highsight.org to purchase tickets or call **312.787.9824** for more information.

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