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Use Our Teaching Resources



In order for our scholars to become lifelong learners, they should love coming to school each day. Use the resources below to increase the joy in your classroom.

Spice up your classes with these chants and cheers for [elementary](#) and [middle](#) school scholars. Watch some of these cheers in action [here](#).

Plan how to engage your students using these [student engagement strategies](#).

Praise and reward your students for their accomplishments with these [systems for recognition](#), while utilizing our [elementary](#) and [secondary](#) REACH rubrics.

To download more Achievement First resources in all subjects and grade levels, visit our newly updated [resources page](#).

Become a Together Teacher

Maia Heyck-Merlin, Achievement First's former Chief Talent Officer, helps teachers build habits, customize tools and create space to become a Together Teacher. In her new book, Maia shows teachers how to be effective and "have a life" by exploring the key habits of Together Teachers—how they plan ahead, organize work and their classrooms, and spend their limited free time. The end goal is always strong outcomes for their students.

Each teacher's system may be a little bit different, but *The Together*

Why Work at Achievement First?



At Achievement First we believe that education equals freedom. Everything we do is for our scholars and their success.

Listen to our scholars explain why they also believe in our schools and our mission [here](#).

Featured Opportunity

2012-13 Secondary Science Teachers

Start Date: July 2012

Location: Brooklyn, Bridgeport, Hartford and New Haven

We need great teachers to help our scholars observe, analyze and understand the world around them. Our science teachers work hard to help every scholar in our schools succeed with a rigorous science curriculum. Achievement First supports these efforts with tons of professional development and data-based instruction.

Learn more about teaching opportunities at Achievement First and apply [here](#).

Network Support Featured Opportunity

**Associate Director of ELA
Achievement, Middle and High
School**

Teacher includes concrete steps that every teacher can implement!

To learn more about Maia's new book and download time-saving resources, click [here](#).

Meet AF on the Road



Throughout the year, our recruitment team visits cities across the country in search of the best teachers and school leaders. Below are cities we'll be visiting this month. Please [email](#) us to learn more.

- July 3 - Atlanta, GA
- July 11 - Chicago, IL
- July 23 - Philadelphia, PA
- July 31 - Miami, FL

Other Ways to Learn More



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Start Date: July 2012

Location: New Haven, CT or
Brooklyn, NY

The associate director of ELA achievement works with principals, academic deans and teachers to craft and drive the vision behind an exemplary literacy program. The associate director develops and manages core literacy program systems, coordinates and implements professional development to support the ELA program, and deeply analyzes student achievement data to better develop materials and trainings. Learn more about this opportunity and apply [here](#).

We are always looking for talented individuals to join our Network Support team. View current Achievement First Network Support opportunities [here](#).

Our Mission

The mission of Achievement First is to deliver on the promise of equal educational opportunity for all of America's children. We believe that all children, regardless of race or economic status, can succeed if they have access to a great education.

Achievement First schools will provide all of our students with the academic and character skills they need to graduate from top colleges, to succeed in a competitive world and to serve as the next generation of leaders in our communities.

