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Meet our Teammates

Achievement First is committed to attracting, developing, celebrating and retaining great educators. We now have more than 1,000 team members, and we'd love to introduce you to some of our talented colleagues.



Learn why they're proud to be a part of the AF family in our new [teammate profiles](#).

Use Our Teaching Resources



As our middle schoolers set their sights on high school, we challenge them with an academically rigorous and character-building curriculum. Use the resources below to prepare your middle schoolers for high school.

Develop your students' independent reading skills using these [strategies](#).

Assess your seventh graders' understanding of measurement using this [workbook activity](#).

Investigate genetics with your eighth graders using this [lesson plan](#) on genetic dominance.

Explore the power of the U.S. Constitution with your students using this [unit plan](#).

Support your secondary students as they monitor their own character development using this [REACH Rubric](#).

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

The Story of Anabelle and Anabell

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Meet AF Bridgeport Academy



Achievement First Bridgeport Academy's elementary and middle schools are performing at an incredibly high level, and they are also located in one of Connecticut's most historic cities. Bridgeport offers the best of New England: beautiful waterfront, fine arts, sporting events and delicious dining. Learn more about this dynamic city [here](#).

Featured Opportunity

2013-14 Middle School Classroom Teachers

Start Date: July 2013

Location: New York and Connecticut

Our middle school teachers work hard to meet the needs of all students and prepare them for their high school experience. Achievement First supports these initiatives with ongoing professional development, including weekly coaching meetings, on-going planning sessions and unparalleled



At Achievement First Amistad High School, alumni who attend top colleges are celebrities! Read how an Achievement First Amistad High alumna and current Yale student inspired ninth graders and teachers [here](#).

Upcoming Events

We host special events throughout the year to help you get to know us and see our schools, systems and students in action. Check out what's coming up over the next few months!



May 17 – School Tour: NY

May 21 – Virtual Session: Diversity and Inclusiveness at Achievement First

View more events and register on our online [calendar](#).

Meet Us on the Road

learning opportunities.

We are currently hiring:

- Middle school science teachers
- Middle school math teachers
- Middle school ELA teachers
- Middle school special education teachers

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

Network Support Featured Opportunity

Director of Principal Preparation

Start Date: May 2013 (flexible)

Location: Brooklyn, NY or New Haven, CT

The director of principal preparation oversees all aspects of our two-year program to prepare Achievement First principals to lead gap-closing schools. The director works with regional superintendents and other senior leaders to establish the overall vision and strategy of the program, recruit and select participants, and directly develop principals-in-residence through coaching and cohort workshops. 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



Throughout the year, our team visits cities across the country in search of teachers and school leaders who are passionate about creating high-quality experiences for urban students. Below are cities we'll be visiting this month; please [email](#) us to learn more.

May 31 – Chicago, IL

June 11 – Atlanta, GA

June 20 – New Haven, CT - Breakthrough New Haven

June 30 – Washington, DC

July 24 – Chicago, IL

Other Ways to Learn More

Check out our calendar of upcoming events [here](#).

Follow us on Facebook [here](#).

Watch Achievement First videos [here](#).

Read our blog, The Chalkboard, [here](#).

To view previous newsletters, click [here](#).

and to serve as the next generation of leaders for our communities.

Diversity & Inclusiveness

At Achievement First, we believe that closing the achievement gap is an economic and moral imperative. It is the civil rights issue of our time. In carrying out our mission, Achievement First must ensure that our team is composed of individuals who, through their talent, commitment and understanding of both student needs and effective teaching, can ensure all of our students succeed in accomplishing these big dreams. Diversity and inclusiveness are critical to our mission.

Read why Achievement First has named diversity and inclusiveness one of our top five priorities for the 2012-13 and 2013-14 school years [here](#).

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