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Achievement First Featured in **National Science Teachers Association Video**



Kids love science---and we see it as our job to help foster that love by preparing them to be scientists in every way! In each K-12 grade, AF scholars are knee-deep in science exploration, researching, conducting experiments and building models. Recently, members of our Team & Family attended the NSTA annual conference in Chicago. Watch the video to learn more about our K-12 aligned science curriculum, science teacher in residence program, flipped classrooms, and our Greenfield school model.

Virtual Professional Development

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AF Connection

- -Discover what makes AF an exceptional place to teach and lead.
- **-Explore** instructional resources
- -Engage read about AF and information about special education, STEM and elementary education
- -Interview with us: find details of our process from start to finish
- -Decide if you want to be part of our "Team & Family"

Refer A Friend

Do you know talented elementary educators? Refer them and other great people here for a chance to win an Amazon gift card. Click **here** for details.

Featured Teaching Opportunity

Special Education Teachers Start Date: July 2015

Location: New York, Connecticut

and Rhode Island

Our teachers plan and deliver lessons designed to meet the needs of every one of their students. Achievement First supports these efforts with weekly teacher professional development and coaching meetings, collaborative planning sessions,



Creating a Culture of Rigor and Joy

There doesn't need to be tension between structure and joy – the best teachers use one to build the other. This session will focus on infusing a variety of strategies to build a classroom where kids really want to stay because they love working hard on engaging subject matter.

Register by 4/26/15 to receive materials by 4/27/15

Capturing Culture Data in Classrooms

How can you prove that your school is truly "humming"? How can you support teachers when their classrooms aren't quite there yet? What do your teachers need to envision in order for every classroom across your school is humming like a brand new sports car? In this session, you will use a rubric to help diagnose culture issues in a classroom and plan for teacher intervention.

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What would you do if you could create a school model from scratch?



Achievement First's Greenfield model is a new school design to help develop the best prepared students in the world by providing rigorous, high-quality instruction within a nurturing school community focused on developing self-motivated learners, problem-solvers and

and unparalleled learning opportunities.

Learn more about our available teacher and leader roles here.

Leadership Corner



Coach and develop teachers in NY, CT, or R!! Join the leadership team at our AF schools as an Academic Dean or Dean of School Culture by applying today. The last application deadline is **May 4**.

Network Support Featured Opportunity

Associate Director, Curriculum and Instruction (College Readiness Seminar)
Start Date: June 2015

Location: New York or Connecticut

The Associate Director of
Curriculum and Instruction (College
Readiness Seminar) is a member of
AF's Network Support Team
College. As part of this constellation
of support for our schools, Team
College works to support college
access and success initiatives at all
Achievement First high schools. In
partnership with the Network
Director of College and the Network
Director of College Success and
Partnerships, the Associate Director
of Curriculum and Instruction will
focus on one of the six key levers of

Peek into the pilot with this video.

Calling All Sue Lehmann Regional Finalists!



Teach For America corps members and alumni play an integral part in Achievement First's growing network of high-performing, college-preparatory public charter schools in New York, Connecticut and Rhode Island. More than 400 TFA corps members and alumni are

currently teaching at our 29 academies, and over 60 percent of our school leaders are TFA alumni.

We are offering a \$1,000 bonus to any Sue Lehmann Excellence in Teaching Regional Finalist who joins the Achievement First Team & Family as a teacher or school leader for the 2015-16 school year. Apply online!

Come Visit

Join us for a Visitor Day this spring to tour a school, see kids and teachers in action, and learn more about our community.

April 10: Achievement First Hartford Academy

May 1: Achievement First Amistad High School



May 13: Achievement First Endeavor Elementary and Middle Schools

May 27: Achievement First Providence Mayoral Academy

Can't make one of these days but still want to check us out? Email recruitment@achievementfirst.org to arrange a time.

"AF Through College"

programming: the College Readiness Seminar Course. Learn more about this opportunity 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.

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 more about diversity and inclusiveness at Achievement First here.

