

THE COMMISSION CONNECTION

April 2019



WE'RE BACK!
DID YOU MISS US?

After a brief break, the Commission Connection is back!

Save the Date: Wednesday, May 1st for our next Commission Collaborative

More information coming soon.

KUDOS CORNER

On Thursday, March 28th, ACE Amandla Charter School hosted "Journey to Success" a Career Panel where representatives from thirteen companies specializing in Architecture, Construction and Engineering provided students with insight and information related to pursuing careers in these high-demand fields.



**Prairie Crossing
Charter School
Honored by the Village
Board for its Green
Initiative**

Click [here](#) to read more.

Congratulations are in Order!

This past weekend, Horizon Science Academy McKinley Park FIRST 5125 Hawks on the Horizon brought home the Regional Chairman's Award!

The Chairman's Award is the most prestigious award at FIRST, it honors the team that best represents a model for other teams to emulate and best embodies the mission of FIRST. It was created to keep the central focus of FIRST Robotics Competition on the ultimate goal of transforming the culture in ways that will inspire greater levels of respect



and honor for science and technology, as well as encouraging more of today's youth to become science and technology leaders.



Pricey private tutors aren't the only way in to the Ivy...

The nation's high school students are well aware that it's never been harder to get into a top college. Just last year, Yale's acceptance rate hit 6.31 percent, near an all-time low.

[Read more](#)
www.cnbc.com

IN THE KNOW



Boards that govern for greatness understand management's role is to execute, and the board's role is to ensure. Be proactive, ask wise questions and focus on what truly matters. Ensuring your board fulfills these 12 responsibilities will help advance your school towards greatness. Read more by clicking [here](#).

Illinois State Police and American Legion officials prepare for Summer Youth Police Program

Deadline to apply is May 30, 2019. Click [here](#) for more information.

*The more that you read,
The more things you will know.
The more that you learn,
The more places you will go.*
Dr. Seuss

13 Ways Educators Can Transform Literacy

Click on this [link](#) for more information!

UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

2019 INCS Teacher and Administrator Job Fair
Saturday, April 6, 2019

ITW David Speer Academy, a campus of the Noble Network of Charter Schools

5321 W. Grand Ave
Chicago, IL 60639
Click [here](#) for more information.

Committee Meetings

Tuesday, April 23, 2019
Operations | 11:00AM
Schools | 4:00PM
160 North LaSalle Street, Room N-502
Chicago, Illinois 60601



Commission Collaborative
Wednesday, May 1st, 2019
More information coming soon!

INCS Lobby Day - May 8th in Springfield, Illinois

For more information, click [here](#).
To RSVP, click [here](#).



4th Annual Horizon Hustle 5K - 2019

Saturday, May 18, 2019 @ 9:00 AM • 5k,
Horizon Science Academy - McKinley Park

Register by May 11th by clicking [here](#).

IN THE NEWS





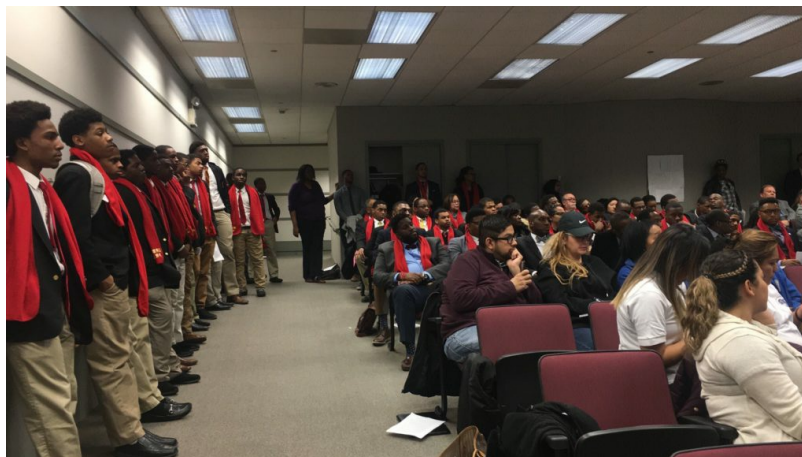
Illinois charter commission moves to reverse two Chicago

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The staff of the state charter commission has recommended that two charter schools rejected by Chicago have another chance to open their doors to students. On Tuesday, the Illinois State Charter School Commission will consider those...

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www.chalkbeat.org



Urban Prep West charter school will remain open after...

Despite voicing concerns about the financial management, academics and declining enrollment of Urban Prep West school, the state Charter Commission approved the all-male Chicago charter school's appeal to allow it to stay open next school year.

ISBE INFORMATION



Illinois
State Board of
Education

Message from State Superintendent Dr. Carmen I. Ayala,
click [here](#).

OPPORTUNITIES



Future Leaders of Chicago (floChicago) is looking for their next cohort of future leaders.

In the spring of 2019, floChicago will select its fifth class of Future Leaders from eligible high school juniors in the Chicago area. The new cohort will participate in a year-long program focusing on civic engagement, leadership development, and college preparation. Want to learn more? Click [here](#).

Application deadline is Monday, April 8 at 11:5PM EST

[Apply Today!](#)

Join the INCS Team!
INCS currently has three open positions.
Click on this [link](#) for more information.

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