



**THE COLLEGE CRUSADE**  
OF RHODE ISLAND

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*Inspire. Support. Believe.*



**building our**  
**FUTURE.**

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Three simple words. The very essence of what is required to build the future, and the best description of what we do every day.

The College Crusade of Rhode Island is the state's most comprehensive college-readiness and scholarship program for middle school and high school students in low-income urban school districts. We reach out to motivated students early in their lives and help them envision who they can become.



## ***A rich environment for college readiness.***

Middle school and high school students who are members of The College Crusade participate in age-appropriate activities that keep them on the path to college, such as:

- Advisory services
- Literacy programs
- Tutoring and academic support
- Adventure learning
- Grade-level orientations
- SAT preparation classes
- Financial aid workshops
- College visits

All students admitted to The College Crusade are from low-income families in Central Falls, Pawtucket, Providence and Woonsocket. Our programs and activities are provided free of charge.



## ***Inspiring the next generation.***

The College Crusade was inspired by the idea that the consistent involvement of caring adults helps young people overcome economic and educational disadvantages. We connect with students personally and foster their natural curiosity and desire to learn. We partner with families and urge parents and guardians to stay involved with their child's education. We make this idea real for thousands of students in Rhode Island each year. And our expectations are high. We deliver the message that every student can be successful.

## ***Supporting transformation.***

Students enter The College Crusade in sixth grade. For the next seven years, all the way to high school graduation, they receive guidance and encouragement from our dedicated staff of College Crusade Advisors. Our specially designed programs and services give young people the tools and resources they need to succeed. We reward the effort and achievement of financially eligible students with up to four years of college scholarships.





## ***Believing in the infinite promise of youth.***

At The College Crusade, we invest in young people and let them know we are committed for the long haul. And we encourage others to make the same investment. Nothing is more important. When young people feel this sense of community support and security, they learn how to believe and invest in themselves – and in a future we all share.

For more information about The College Crusade of Rhode Island, please visit us at [www.thecollegecrusade.org](http://www.thecollegecrusade.org) or call (401) 854-5500.

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## ***About us.***

The College Crusade of Rhode Island is a non-profit organization originally founded in 1989 as the Rhode Island Children's Crusade for Higher Education. Our mission is to increase educational and career success for youth in Rhode Island's low-income communities. Our approach combines the steady, nurturing presence of caring adults with a rich array of programs and resources that focus on:

- Academic enrichment
- Social and personal development
- Career awareness and exploration
- Preparation for college



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