

The Manhattan Inter-district Magnet Consortium Program Abstract

A consortium of Manhattan School Districts 2, 4, and 6 in the Midtown, Upper East Side, Chelsea, East Harlem, Washington Heights and Inwood neighborhoods within the borough of Manhattan, NY, is requesting MSAP funding in the amount of [REDACTED] to convert the following three schools into whole-school magnet school programs: Esperanza Preparatory Academy (M372), City College Academy of the Arts (M293), and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis High School (M529). By the end of the five-year grant, the three schools will be serving a total of 1,725 students in grades 6-12.

In alignment with NYC Schools Chancellor Banks's vision for a reimagined student experience that centers career-connected learning for students reach long-term economic security, each magnet school will develop an innovative, theme-based program that provides early college access, rigorous instruction, and enrichment activities to all students. The Manhattan Inter-district Magnet Consortium will address the MSAP objectives by:

- Eliminating minority group isolation among Hispanic students at three schools by attracting a more racially diverse population through unique thematic programs which offer early college access coupled with career pathways and a strategic, comprehensive, and targeted approach to outreach and recruitment and;
- Implementing research- and evidence-based instructional strategies that promote high levels of student achievement, to ensure magnet students meet challenging academic standards and are college- and career-ready;
- Offering opportunities for students outside of their schools and boundaries of their communities to experience real-world applications of their learning; and
- Building capacity to provide equitable, rigorous, theme- and evidence-based instructional programs, ensuring sustainability of the program.