

# The Achieve Program

at Noble and Greenough School



Achieve is a tuition-free educational program serving low-income middle school-age children. Providing academic and personal enrichment through a rigorous and engaging six week summer program and ongoing academic year tutoring and support, Achieve seeks to increase our students' academic skills, motivation and self-confidence and put them on the path to college.

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## What is Achieve?

The Achieve Program is a new initiative hosted by Noble and Greenough School which will begin in the summer of 2008. It is our goal to provide talented, deserving Boston Public School students with an opportunity to develop solid academic skills, to have focused attention from their teachers to address their individual needs, and to have FUN! Utilizing the support and resources of the school, each of our students will have the opportunity to study in a safe, clean environment, will have access to up-to-date technology to enhance their learning experience, and will be provided nutritious meals.

Achieve is a full-service program that will be provided tuition-free to low-income families that meet our financial requirements. All of students will be expected to attend ALL sessions during the summer and academic year. Attendance is essential in order to receive the full benefit of the program and families must commit to the ENTIRE experience in order to be considered for admission. Each student will participate in three consecutive six-week summer sessions and two academic year programs:

- ❖ Summer after 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- ❖ 6<sup>th</sup> grade academic year program.
- ❖ Summer after 6<sup>th</sup> grade.
- ❖ 7<sup>th</sup> grade academic year program.
- ❖ Summer after 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

## Summer Program

Students will take classes in:

- ❖ Math
- ❖ English (focus on writing & literacy)
- ❖ Science (emphasis on lab techniques)
- ❖ Students will have 1-2 hours of homework each night.
- ❖ Classes will have a maximum of 13 students.
- ❖ Each class will be taught by a Master Teacher and a Teaching Assistant.

- ❖ All students will take swimming lessons with a certified instructor.
- ❖ Afternoon activities will include arts, music, and sports.
- ❖ Academic classes will take place Monday through Thursday.
- ❖ Every Friday will be a field trip day!
- ❖ All transportation will be provided.
- ❖ Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided.

Sample Daily Schedule:

8:00 - 8:30	Pick-Up/Drop-Off
8:30 - 8:45	Breakfast
8:45 - 9:00	Morning Meeting
9:05 - 9:45	English
9:50 - 10:30	Science
10:30 - 10:45	Snack
10:45 - 11:25	Math
11:30 - 11:55	Advisory Time
12:00 - 1:00	SWIMMING/ARTS
1:00 - 1:30	Lunch
1:35 - 2:15	SSAT/ISEE Prep
2:20 - 3:20	FUN ACTIVITY
	Afternoon Meeting/Dismissal
3:20 - 3:35	
3:40 - 4:10	Pick-Up/Drop-Off



Academic Year Program

*Saturdays:*

- ❖ A ½ day session one Saturday per month at Nobles.
  - ❖ Sessions will include:
    - Homework help with Nobles students
    - Test prep (MCAS, ISEE, SSAT)
    - Workshop with a Nobles teacher
    - Fun activity with Upward Bound students
  - ❖ Transportation provided.
  - ❖ Breakfast and Lunch provided.

*Weekdays:*

- ❖ A 1 ½ - 2 hour session one day per week (excluding school vacations) in Boston (location TBA).
  - ❖ Sessions will include:
    - Homework help with Nobles students
    - Test prep
    - A fun activity!
    - Snack provided.
  - ❖ Field Trips in the fall and spring.

How do I apply to Achieve?

Students who are motivated to work hard, in good academic standing at their school, and committed to attending ALL Achieve sessions should follow the application process:

1. Receive an application from a teacher or counselor  
OR  
Contact Achieve to receive an application
2. Complete and submit your application
3. Complete family interview (by invitation)
4. If accepted, attend Open House/Orientation in May at Nobles.