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Putting
IDEAS
into heads,
INSPIRATION
into hearts, and
OPPORTUNITIES
into hands.

EMERGE-HISD
empowers and prepares
high-performing students
from underserved
communities to attend
and graduate from
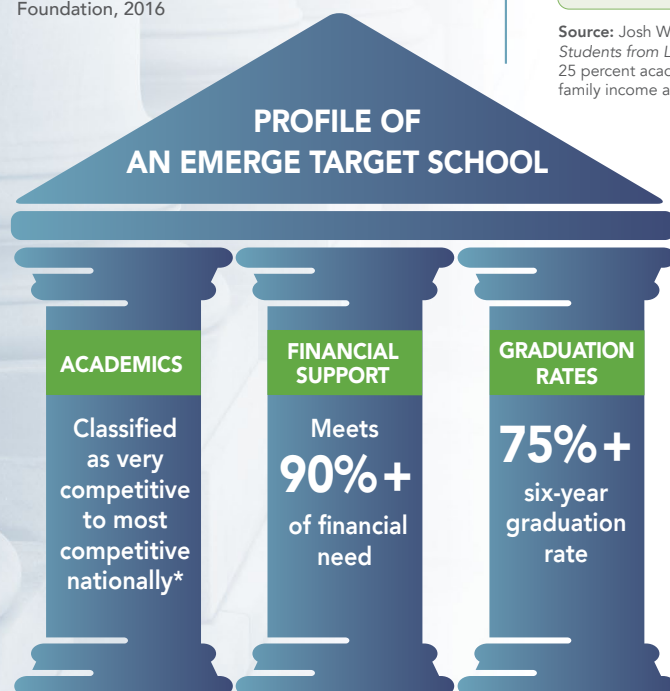selective colleges and
universities across
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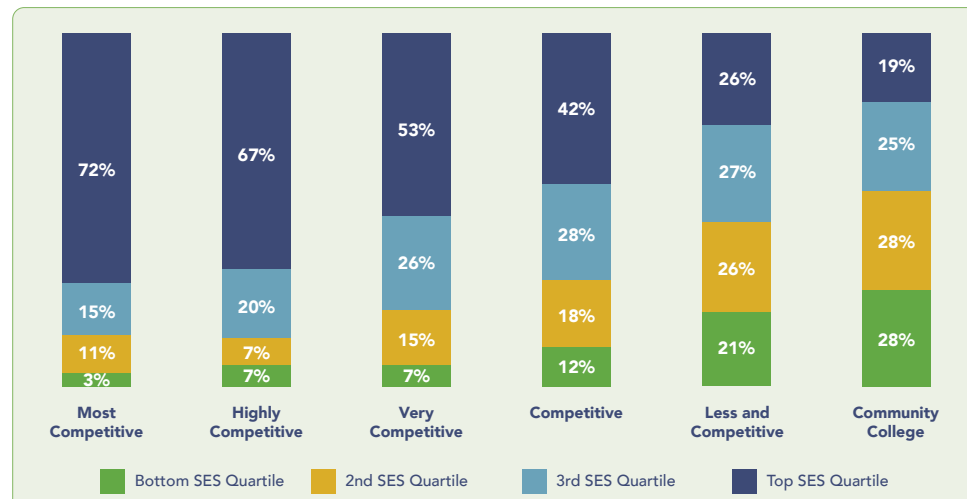## ◄ HISD ►
At-a-glance

The Challenge

- Across the nation, only **25%** of high-performing low-income students with the academic record and test scores to succeed at the nation's most selective colleges and universities ever submit an application to attend.

- Very few qualified, low-income students attend highly selective colleges and universities even though their likelihood of graduating is much higher.

- Nationally, **41%** of academically strong students from lower income backgrounds graduate college whereas over **75%** of the ones who attend selective institutions graduate.

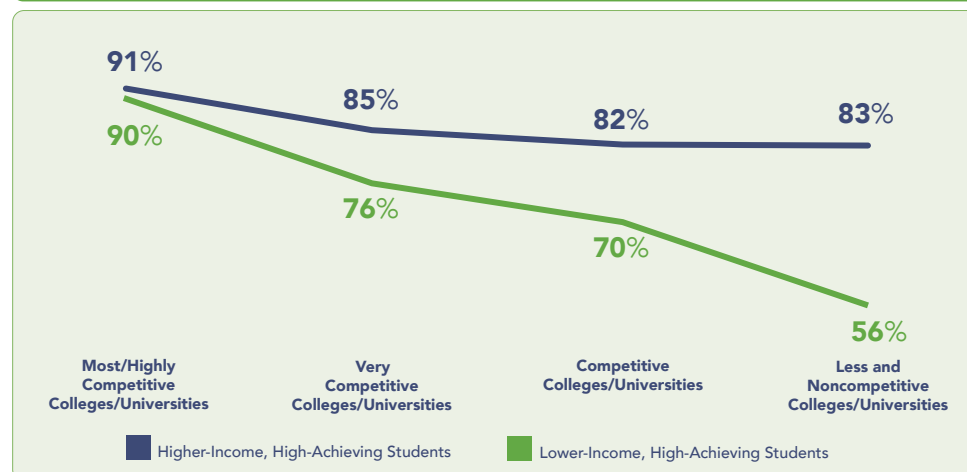Source: Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, 2016

PROFILE OF AN EMERGE TARGET SCHOOL

ACADEMICS
Classified as very competitive to most competitive nationally*

FINANCIAL SUPPORT
Meets **90%+** of financial need

GRADUATION RATES
75%+ six-year graduation rate

*Barron's Selectivity Index

VERY FEW LOW-INCOME STUDENTS ATTEND HIGHLY SELECTIVE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

	Most Competitive	Highly Competitive	Very Competitive	Competitive	Less and Competitive	Community College
Top SES Quartile	72%	67%	53%	42%	26%	19%
3rd SES Quartile	15%	20%	26%	28%	27%	25%
2nd SES Quartile	11%	7%	15%	18%	26%	28%
Bottom SES Quartile	3%	7%	7%	12%	21%	28%

■ Bottom SES Quartile ■ 2nd SES Quartile ■ 3rd SES Quartile ■ Top SES Quartile

Source: Analysis of data from the Department of Education, Education Longitudinal Study of 2002. Postsecondary enrollment of the high-school graduating class of 2004.

GRADUATION RATES OF HIGH-PERFORMING STUDENTS
By Income and Selectivity of Institution Attended

Higher-Income, High-Achieving Students: 91%, 85%, 82%, 83%
Lower-Income, High-Achieving Students: 90%, 76%, 70%, 56%

- Most/Highly Competitive Colleges/Universities
- Very Competitive Colleges/Universities
- Competitive Colleges/Universities
- Less and Noncompetitive Colleges/Universities

■ Higher-Income, High-Achieving Students ■ Lower-Income, High-Achieving Students

Source: Josh Wyner, John M. Bridgeland, and John J. Dilulio, Jr., *Achievement Trap: How America is Failing Millions of High-Achieving Students from Lower-Income Families* (Lansdowne, VA: Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, 2008), p. 24. "High-Achievers" defined as top 25 percent academically in 12th grade. "Lower-Income" denotes family income below the national median; "Higher-Income" denotes family income above the national median.

Answering the Challenge

EMERGE-HISD has students apply to **100+** institutions across the nation that are not only classified as selective, but also provide generous financial support – **90%** or more - and boast highly supportive communities with graduation rates at or above **75%.**

Our Approach

- After School Programming
- SAT Preparation
- College Application Advising
- Out-of-State College Tours
- Alumni Support

Student Profile

- **4.2** Average GPA
- **>60%** of students are in the top **10%** of their class
- Mostly As and Bs in rigorous courses
- First generation and economically disadvantaged
- EMERGE-HISD students are trailblazers who exhibit: drive, perseverance, curiosity, humility, and gratitude.

Who We Serve

- **10th, 11th** and **12th** grade students
- **43** High Schools
- **92%** Latino and African American
- **96%** free or reduced lunch
- **720** High School Fellows
- **1000+** Scholars enrolled in college

Our Results

- EMERGE-HISD Fellows, on average, apply to **9** selective colleges
- **154** average SAT score increase
- **95%** of our Class of 2020 graduates matriculated to a selective four-year college or university*
- **82%** of our Scholars have graduated from college in four years compared to **41%** of all high-performing, low-income students nationwide

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> " Through the guidance of EMERGE-HISD, I was able to find opportunity. Without EMERGE-HISD, I would not have had a support system that extends far beyond graduation. Scholars are represented at top-tier schools across the nation. And to me, that is something to be treasured. "

Joey H.
Waltrip HS, Class of 2019
Pomona College

Our Application Process

EMERGE-HISD recruits 10th grade students every fall.

To apply, visit
www.HoustonISD.org/ EMERGE
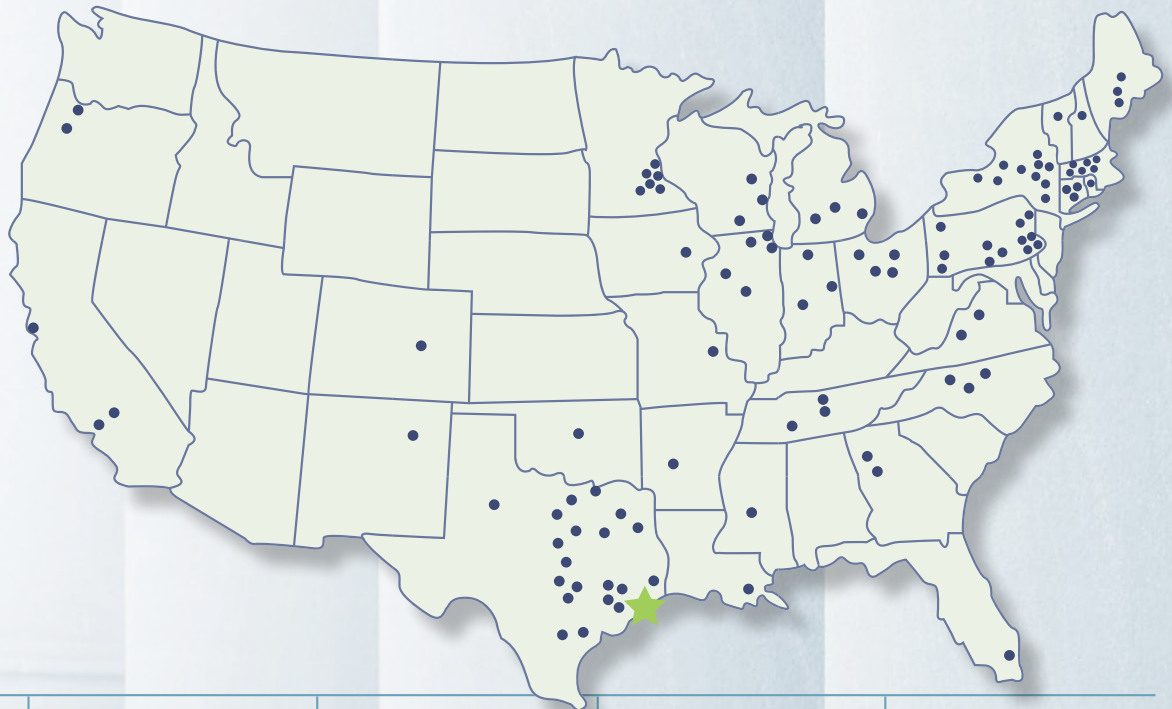
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RICE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS
OBERLIN DUKE POMONA
JOHNS HOPKINS
UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA CARLETON HARVARD

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Our Reach

EMERGE students attend 169 colleges and universities across 33 different states.

Albion College
Amherst College
Babson College
Barnard College
Bates College
Bentley University
Boston College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University
Brown University
Bryn Mawr College
Bucknell University
California Institute of Technology
Carleton College
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Claremont McKenna College
Colby College
Colgate University
College of Saint Benedict
College of the Holy Cross

Colorado College
Columbia University
Connecticut College
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
Denison University
DePauw University
Dickinson College
Duke University
Earlham College
Emory University
Franklin and Marshall College
Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Gettysburg College
Grinnell College
Hamilton College
Harvard University
Harvey Mudd College
Haverford College

Johns Hopkins University
Kalamazoo College
Kenyon College
Lafayette College
Lehigh University
Macalester College
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Middlebury College
Mount Holyoke College
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Oberlin College
Occidental College
Pitzer College
Pomona College
Princeton University
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College
Rice University
Scripps College
Skidmore College
Smith College

Soka University of America
St. John's College (New Mexico)
St. Lawrence University
St. Olaf College
Stanford University
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University
The College of Wooster
Thomas Aquinas College
Trinity College
Trinity University
Tufts University
Tulane University
Union College
United States Air Force Academy
United States Coast Guard Academy
United States Military Academy
United States Naval Academy
University of Chicago

University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of Notre Dame
University of Pennsylvania
University of Richmond
University Of Rochester
University of Southern California
University of Virginia-Main Campus
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Wabash College
Wake Forest University
Washington and Lee University
Washington University in St Louis
Wellesley College
Wesleyan University
Williams College
Yale University