

### HARLEM VILLAGE ACADEMIES

# "This place is special."

HIA



### Welcome to the family.

We are so excited to invite your child to attend Harlem Village Academies.

If you've come to HVA because you want a sophisticated and challenging academic program, a focus on student independence, and a respectful, nurturing environment, you're in the right place.

Elementary school is an important time for your child, and we will be right there with you, every step of the way.

You will have the support of our dedicated family of educators, deans, social workers, counselors, and faculty—all guided by our belief that children are capable of learning at an exceptionally high level.

For over a decade, Harlem Village Academies has been a pillar of the Harlem community. Our students, teachers, and leaders become lifelong friends.

We can't wait to welcome you to our family!





# A school for leaders.

An HVA education is superb preparation for a life of purpose. Our students practice the leadership skills that will enable them to achieve their personal dreams while contributing to the greater good.

### Work hard.

HVA instills a work ethic and a passion for excellence. When we write, we revise; when we assign work, we hold students accountable for quality, not just completion. We support students as they learn from mistakes, find their voices, and grow into their best selves.

### Find your passion.

Your child is a scientist, a poet, a one-of-a-kind individual. HVA teachers get to know you and your child personally. We ensure that all children learn essential academic content while also pursuing their own unique interests and talents. We teach with the same passion we want to ignite.



# Think independently.

At HVA, we teach independent thinking from kindergarten through high school graduation, inviting students to probe beneath the surface of books and ideas. We teach students to think deeply and to act with wisdom and integrity.

Our literacy program inspires students to become sophisticated thinkers, avid readers, compelling speakers, and eloquent writers. In social studies, students learn the research methods that are essential to higher-level work, while in science and math, students engage in analytical and problem-based learning that awakens their inquisitiveness and prepares them for college.



"This place is special. HVA is reaching for a progressive, private school quality education while going above and beyond every day to help my child. The teachers and leaders are the smartest, kindest, most dedicated people on the planet. We are so happy. I feel blessed." -HVA parent



## A life of service.

HVA students are united by a sense of belonging and by the shared work of building a caring and kind community, both at the school and in the larger world. During lunch, recess, and in casual interactions, we consider it a responsibility and a pleasure to make sure that every child feels valued and nurtured.

Ethics, activism, current events, and service learning are central to our schools. We learn about people and cultures that are similar to us as well as those that are different from us. Students learn to respect differences as well as to understand the bonds of our common humanity.

We are passionate about social justice as an integral part of our curriculum as we prepare our students to become leaders who will change the world for the better.



HVA Elementary is part of the larger HVA family of schools, including HVA East Middle, HVA West Middle, HVA High, and the signature HVA College Support Program that provides ongoing guidance to ensure our students persist in and graduate from college.



# 100%

of HVA students are accepted to college each year. Our students are enrolled at some of the finest colleges in the country, such as:

American University Baruch Boston College Bowdoin Carnegie Mellon City College Colgate Drexel Ithaca Northwestern NYU Spelman Stanford Stony Brook SUNY Binghamton Syracuse Temple University of Michigan Vassar Wesleyan Yale

### A K-12 education at Harlem Village Academies is designed to foster student independence, leadership, and an ethic of service. HVA offers:

- High standards for respectful behavior
- Strong academic results
- Longer day and year
- Music, visual arts, and performing arts
- Caring, committed teachers
- Enriching field trips
- Recess daily
- 24-hour response time to families



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