

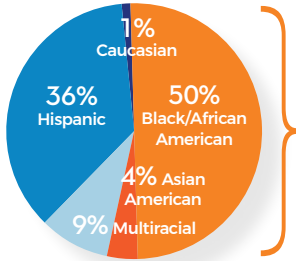


ABOUT EVANSTON SCHOLARS

Founded in 2011, Evanston Scholars is a non-profit organization that improves college access and success for a diverse group of ambitious Evanston students who are traditionally first-generation college entrants, students from low-income families, and students of color.

To help our Scholars succeed, Evanston Scholars delivers a comprehensive, **six-year program** comprised of three program areas – College Access, College Success, and Career Readiness – that guides them through the college admission process, supports them to persist in and graduate from college, and prepares them for strong careers.

Who We Serve

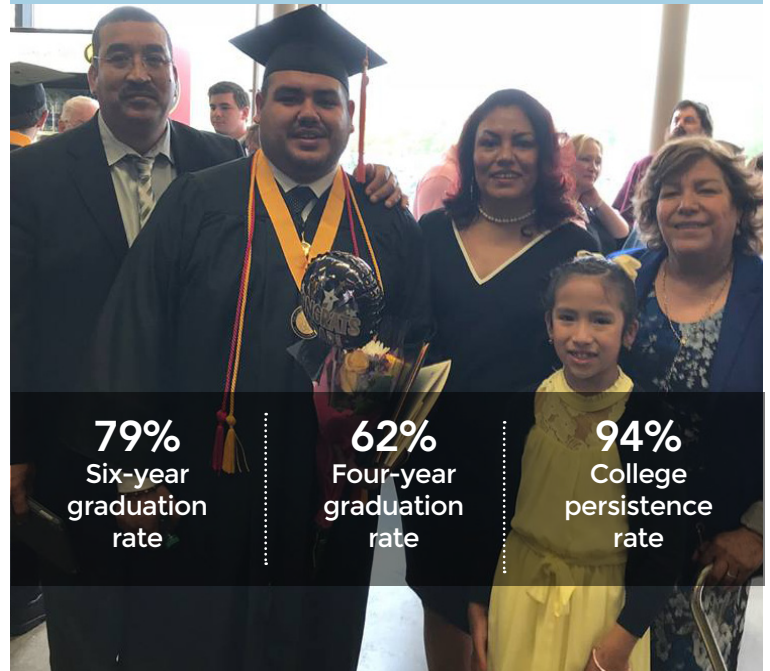


- 130 COLLEGE SCHOLARS**
- 74 HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARS**
- 71 COLLEGE GRADS**
- 275 STUDENTS SERVED**

Each spring we select qualified ETHS (Evanston Township High School) sophomores according to the follow criteria:

- Academically ambitious, motivated and committed, as evidenced by strong academic performance (2.7 GPA unweighted)
- Students with a strong desire to complete college
- First in their families to attend college
- Persons of color
- Members of low-income households

Our Impact



Career Readiness

Career-building opportunities and access to professional networks are not equally distributed among young people, but talent is. Beginning in high school and continuing through college graduation, Evanston Scholars' Career Readiness program equips Scholars with the resources, knowledge, relationships, and experiences that enable our first-generation graduates to obtain strong jobs.

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARS

- Discover their career-related aptitudes and interests
- Develop their Career Readiness portfolio, including a resume, LinkedIn profile and professional communication skills
- Explore career avenues through corporate visits and professional panels

COLLEGE SCHOLARS & ALUMNI

- Strengthen their career readiness portfolio
- Gain access to internships and professional opportunities with our Career Partners
- Obtain career coaching, professional development, and interview skills
- Identify and leverage resources and professional networks available through their colleges and universities



90%

Percentage of high school and college Scholars with a job-ready resume



67%

Percentage of Scholar alumni in a job that requires a bachelor's degree, is full-time, and meets other criteria for salary, benefits, and career path, or are in graduate school

CAREER READINESS PROGRAMS

RISE (RELEVANT INTERNSHIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL EMPLOYMENT)

Students who have two or more internships during college are significantly more likely to secure jobs with benefits and competitive salaries, or enter graduate school, within six months of graduation. Our nine-month RISE program helps college sophomores secure an internship, research opportunity or fellowship during their rising junior summer.

RISE participants gain:

- Priority access to jobs and internships offered through our Career Partners
- Support and coaching throughout their internships
- Monthly workshops and ongoing guidance during the academic year

CAREER COACHING

To prepare Scholars to obtain strong jobs, Evanston Scholars offers individualized Career Coaching for college juniors, seniors, and alumni.

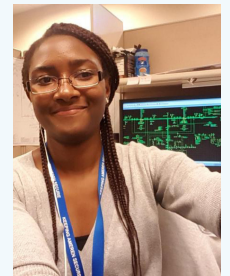
Career Coaches:

- Help Scholars build strong career readiness portfolios and soft skills
- Assist Scholars to narrow job searches and apply to graduate school
- Facilitate connections within specific industries

JOB BOARD

To create greater access to career-building experiences and employment opportunities from our Career Partners, Evanston Scholars hosts the Evanston Scholars Job Board. We welcome postings for any of the following:

- Summer jobs
- Internships
- Externships
- Job shadowing
- Post-college employment



PARTNER WITH US

Evanston Scholars engages with a number of Career Partners to support our Scholars.

WAYS TO PARTNER INCLUDE:

- Host career visits and shadow opportunities
- Participate in industry panels and career readiness workshops
- Collaborate with Evanston Scholars for internships and entry-level employment
- Sponsor events

CAREER PARTNERS RECEIVE:

- A trusted pipeline of diverse talent
- Interns who are coached and supported throughout the internship opportunity
- The opportunity to demonstrate a commitment to building a more diverse workforce

CURRENT ORGANIZATIONAL PARTNERS



To learn more about becoming a career partner, please contact:

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