



**NOBLE  
STREET  
CHARTER  
SCHOOL**

OPERATED BY THE NOBLE NETWORK OF CHARTER SCHOOLS

# Noble Street Educational Model

**Noble Street Charter School  
high school campuses**

**Mission:** To prepare Chicago's youth to function successfully in our society through these expectations: Commitment to educational excellence, civic responsibility, and respect for their community, the environment, and people from all walks of life

## Key Components of Success:

### Excellence and Dedication of Faculty and Administration

- Great care is taken in hiring
- Teachers receive competitive salaries, plus stipends and incentive pay

### Rigorous Standards and Enforcement of Discipline

- Strict, detailed school dress code
- Demerit system leads to detentions with student-paid fee

### Strong and Established Core Curriculum

- Core curriculum aligned with proven college-readiness standards
- Teachers improve instruction by studying quarterly student assessment results
- Adherence to Collins Writing

### Student Culture of Intimacy and Respect

- Numerous programs that encourage closeness and reinforce good habits:  
Advisory  
Town Hall  
Classroom Greeters  
*Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens*

### Strong Back-Office Support

- Business knowledge and resources of Settlement House allowed early focus on academic program
- Strategic development of CMO and separation from Settlement House ensures campuses are well-supported

### Community Credibility

- The Settlement House, an established West Town community organization, provided credibility to Noble Street
- Success of founding campus establishes credibility necessary for expansion

## Representative Quotes

- "Every teacher here would be the best teacher at their new school if they left." - Teacher
- "You can tell these teachers care about the students." - Parent
- "We expect discipline from the kids until they expect it from each other." -Teacher
- "We don't have big problems because kids have no room to get out of line." - Administrator
- "We'll trade fewer elective classes for more time in the key areas." - Teacher
- "Noble has a reputation for getting you into college." -Student
- "Town Halls are so much fun...everyone laughs and is respectful." -Student
- "My advisory teacher has become like a second mother to me." - Student
- "The educational vision and the business sense are synergistic...you can't really separate the two in Noble's success." -Board member
- "Noble Street has proven its ability to run a good school, and now they are taking their successful model into new neighborhoods." - Chicago Public Schools CEO