



## Chicago School Proves the Effectiveness of Blended Learning in an Urban Environment

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CHICAGO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jul. 11, 2017-- Today, K12 Inc. released a [whitepaper](#) on the effectiveness of blended learning in urban communities. Featuring data and analysis from the [Chicago Virtual Charter School](#) (CVCS), Chicago's first ever online charter school, the paper provides compelling evidence that students in urban communities can achieve academic success with effective online and blended learning programs.

The CVCS blended learning model allows for the best opportunities of both in-person, traditional schooling and the highly-personalized experience of online learning. At CVCS, students receive instruction from their teachers during live, interactive online classes, as well as through recorded sessions. In addition to working online, students attend the CVCS Learning Center at least once per week, where they engage in collaborative learning onsite, supported by experienced teachers.

Among the highlights of the whitepaper:

- CVCS has demonstrated effectiveness at closing the proficiency gap year over year.
- When comparing ACT Composite Scores, CVCS has consistently outperformed the Chicago Public School (CPS) District and CPS Charters from 2009-2010 school year to current.
- In 2014, CVCS was in the 89th relative percentile of Chicago Public Schools in ACT Reading. CVCS is in the 93rd relative percentile rank to all Chicago Public School Contract and Charter Schools.
- 68 percent of 2015 high school graduates at CVCS enrolled in college, while only 57.9 percent of the CPS 2015 graduating seniors enrolled in college in this same year.

"CVCS is a fantastic option for those living in the urban sprawl that is the city of Chicago. The blended learning model that permits such flexibility, yet keeps the certified teacher close by, lends itself to a very unique and successful school for so many families," said Margaret Jorgensen, Ph.D. University of Chicago, Chief Academic Officer of K12 Inc.

Chicago Virtual Charter School is a full-time, online public school available to Chicago students in grades K through 12. As part of Chicago Public Schools, CVCS is tuition-free, giving parents and families the choice to access the engaging curriculum and tools provided by K12 Inc. CVCS provides core courses in English/language arts, math, science, history and art to students in grades K-8. In addition to core courses and electives, high school students can access Advanced Placement® courses, as well as up to four levels of world languages.

The full whitepaper, can be seen at this link: [An Urban District: Blended School Success Story](#). And, for more information about CVCS, visit: <http://cvcs.k12.com/>.

### About K12 Inc.

K12 Inc. (NYSE: LRN) is driving innovation and advancing the quality of education by delivering state-of-the-art, digital learning platforms and technology to students and school districts across the globe. K12's curriculum serves over 2,000 schools and school districts and has delivered more than four million courses over the past decade. K12 is a company consisting of thousands of online school educators providing instruction, academic services, and learning solutions to public schools and districts, traditional classrooms, blended school programs, and directly to families. The K12 program is offered through K12 partner public schools in 33 states and the District of Columbia, and through private schools serving students in all 50 states and more than 100 countries. More information can be found at [K12.com](http://K12.com).

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