



Boys Hope Girls Hope
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Frequently Asked Questions Transition to Academy Program

Q: Why are you transitioning from the Residential Program?

A: In looking at ongoing sustainability, efficacy, the overall strength of our program, and our ability to meet the needs of the bright and talented students in our communities, we have decided to focus our efforts exclusively on the growth of our Academy and College Programs beginning in the 2018/19 school year with the goal of increasing the number of scholars served, expanding our partnerships with more schools, and ultimately increasing the number of college graduates via our programs.

Q: What will happen to the scholars in the Residential Program?

A: Beginning in the 2018/19 school year, all scholars who currently participate in the BHGH Residential Program will transition into an Academy Program at Regis Jesuit High School, where they will continue to receive full support towards their academic, social and emotional goals. Each scholar at Regis Jesuit High School will receive an individualized plan to ensure their unique needs are met, including ongoing tutoring and mentorship, a safe environment in the afternoons and evenings, continued support in their scholarship, dinner during the week, transportation to and from Regis Jesuit High School, and other additional support as needed. We are so grateful for the continued support of the Regis Jesuit community and their commitment to our scholars.

Q: When will the Boys Hope Home and Girls Hope homes close?

A: Our scholars will stay in the Boys Hope and Girls Hope homes for the remainder of the 2017/18 school year. Over the next several months we will develop individualized transition plans for each Residential scholar. Starting in August 2018, scholars will participate in programming at Regis Jesuit High School. These programming services will be provided by Boys Hope Girls Hope staff.

Q: What does this mean for the future of BHGH?

A: Focusing our efforts on the Academy and College programs will allow us to serve a larger population and more students moving forward. It is our goal to lead as many students of potential through high school and college as possible. Focusing our efforts on the Academy and College programs helps us to achieve this ultimate goal.

Q: Who made this decision?

A: The Board of Directors and program leadership of Boys Hope Girls Hope Colorado have dedicated significant time to discussions and strategy for the continued growth and service of Boys Hope Girls Hope Colorado. Emeritus board members as well as former staff leadership were also engaged in the strategic planning for this transition.

Q: Will BHGH still be focused on helping students become “Men and Women for Others?”

A: We remain committed to the Boys Hope Girls Hope overall mission to support motivated scholars in value-centered environments to become men and women for others with education and opportunities through college.

Q: If I have donated money to the Residential Scholars program, where will my money go?

A: By focusing the resources from our donors on the Academy and College Programs we are able to maximize the impact of each dollar donated and increase the number of scholars served each year. This focus of resources will help us reach our goal of getting more scholars through high school to ultimately earn a college degree. All donated funds or items will still go directly to helping our scholars either at Aurora Central High School, Regis Jesuit High School or in college. We will continue to use donations to support our scholars in their quest for a college degree and offering wrap-around services for all scholars in our program including those transitioning into the Academy Program from the Residential Program.

Q: If I like to volunteer my time with the Residential Scholars, will there still be opportunities to get involved with the Academy Program?

A: Absolutely! We will have ample opportunities for volunteers to support the Academy program scholars via tutoring, mentoring, career panels, meals, after school and enrichment programming, and more. Please contact Reanna Driver, rdriver@bhgh.org for more information on how to get involved.

Q: What will happen to the Boys House and the Girls House?

A: We are currently working to create a plan for the future use of the Boys Hope and Girls Hope houses.