

BARD EARLY COLLEGES

Bard High School Early College to Open in Washington, D.C.



Dear Friends,

We're thrilled to announce the establishment of Bard High School Early College D.C. (Bard D.C.), a pathbreaking partnership between the District of Columbia Public Schools and Bard College, formalized yesterday by District of Columbia Mayor Muriel Bowser. Like its sister Bard High School Early College campuses in New York City, Newark, Cleveland, and Baltimore, Bard D.C. will offer students the extraordinary opportunity to earn college credit and an associate's degree from Bard College alongside a high school diploma, free of charge. Bard DC will be the first full early college high school in Washington, D.C. and will open its doors in fall 2019 with a founding class of 150 students.

The Washington Post broke the news. "With Bard High School Early College, we are answering the community's call for more early college options and building new pathways to college for our young people" declared Mayor Muriel Bowser. There is strong demand for an early college high school in D.C. and growing recognition nationally of the power and promise of this model.

We're thrilled to welcome this campus and its students into the Bard Early College network, which enrolls 2,850 students in five states. And we are tremendously grateful to the students, faculty, friends, and partners who have made this work possible.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Tremaine". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Stephen Tremaine
Vice President for Early Colleges, Bard College

The Bard Early Colleges are a national network of tuition-free, Bard College campuses run in partnership with public school systems. The Bard Early Colleges enable young people in New York City, Newark, New Orleans, Baltimore, Cleveland, and Hudson (NY) to complete as much as 60 Bard College credits and an Associate in Arts degree, tuition-free and alongside a high school

diploma. [Click here to learn more and support this work.](#)