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**COLLEGE-BOUND SCHOLARS AT ALLIANCE COLLEGE-READY PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO CELEBRATE ACCEPTANCE IN ANNUAL COLLEGE SIGNING DAY EVENTS**

*95% of Alliance scholars are college-bound:  
77% to a four-year college and 23% to community college*

**EVENT DATES: APRIL 25 TO MAY 22, 2018 (LOS ANGELES)** – Alliance College-Ready Public Schools, a non-profit network of high-performing public charter schools in Los Angeles, will once again host its annual College Signing Day at schools across the area. At this series of events—running from April 25th to May 22, 2018—nearly 2,000 graduating seniors – the overwhelming majority of whom are from low income neighborhoods and will be the first in their family to attend college – will announce their college plans and commit to complete a bachelor’s degree.

“Alliance scholars are an inspiration,” said **Dan Katzir, CEO of Alliance College-Ready Public Schools**. “I want to congratulate them as well as their teachers and counselors on the hard work that led to this point. We celebrate their accomplishment on College Signing Day and reaffirm our commitment to support them to college completion.”

Alliance recently completed a [report](#) on its Alliance Mentorship Program (AMP), an innovative peer-to-peer initiative that’s leading the way on moving beyond college readiness and supporting scholars to the successful transition into college. AMP participants show double digit gains in college attendance and persistence when compared to non-AMP alumni attending the same university.

To kick-off AMP for the 2018 graduating class, Alliance will host, on June 1, 2018, its College Prep Summit. During the event, Alliance mentees will meet their peer mentors, Alliance alumni who attend the same college the graduating seniors are slated to attend. Throughout the summer months, AMP mentors will be in contact with their assigned incoming freshman to ensure a smooth and successful transition to the first day of college through to sophomore year.

Alliance School	Date	Start Time	Address of Event <i>(not always at the school site)</i>
Alliance Ted K. Tajima High School	04/25/18	12:00pm	1552 Rockwood St, Los Angeles, CA 90026
Alliance Alice M. Baxter College-Ready High School	5/2/18	11:45am	461 West 9th Street San Pedro, CA 90731
Alliance Gertz-Ressler/Richard Merkin 6-12 Complex	5/2/18	2:00pm	2023 South Union Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90007
Alliance Leichtman-Levine Family Foundation Environmental Science High School	5/4/18	12:30pm	2930 Fletcher Drive Los Angeles, CA 90065
Alliance Piera Barbaglia Shaheen Health Services Academy	5/4/18	8:10am	8515 Kansas Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90044
Alliance Patti & Peter Neuwirth Leadership Academy	5/18/18	9:00am	131 East 50th Street Los Angeles, CA 90011
Alliance Tennenbaum Family Technology High School	5/22/18	5:30pm	2050 North San Fernando Road Los Angeles, CA 90065

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**About Alliance College-Ready Public Schools:** Alliance College-Ready Public Schools is one of the largest and most successful nonprofit charter school networks in the nation, operating 25 high-performing, public charter middle and high schools that educate nearly 13,000 students from Los Angeles' most underserved communities. Alliance schools have been recognized as among the best in the nation by US News & World Report, Newsweek, the U.S. Department of Education and the California Department of Education. Since opening its first school in 2004, 95% of Alliance students have graduated from high school and been accepted to college.

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