



DREAM BIG. WORK HARD. WE'LL HELP.™

The only college access program in Columbus, **I KNOW I CAN** gives Columbus City Schools students a chance to realize their full potential and make their dreams come true by:

- Offering **college awareness** programs, resources and activities
- **1:1 Advising** with students and families on college selection, admission and financial aid processes
- Promoting the **opportunities and benefits** of college
- Providing **I Know I Can Grants and Scholarships** to qualified students
- **Motivating** students to stay in school and focus on academics
- Helping students stay in college and **complete their education**

HOW WE CAN HELP

College application and ACT/SAT registration assistance. I Know I Can also offers one ACT or SAT waiver to those who qualify financially.

Up to 3 college application fee waivers or payments

Classroom presentations about college and career planning

Blueprint: College High School delivers relevant and in-depth information on the college planning process to students and families.

One-on-one assistance and evening workshops to assist students and families in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

I KNOW I CAN @ WHETSTONE

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[Calendly.com/buniacke](https://calendly.com/buniacke)

I Know I Can YouTube Channel

[Click Here](#)



Whetstone Office: Room 144A

IKIC FUNDING SOURCES FOR CCS STUDENTS

Founders' Scholarship: Up to \$10,000 – A competitive scholarship renewable for four (4) years

Dream Big Scholarship: Up to \$3,500 – A competitive scholarship for four (4) years for qualified CCS graduates demonstrating financial need

I Know I Can Grant: Up to \$1,200 – Renewable for four (4) years for qualified CCS graduates demonstrating financial need



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Since 1988, **I KNOW I CAN** has helped make higher education a reality for thousands of Columbus City Schools students who dream big and work hard.

I KNOW I CAN is one of the largest and most successful college access programs in the nation and provides the inspiration to ignite ambition, the support to encourage students to excel in school, and the financial assistance to enable students to earn a college degree.

Mission Overview

Core Purpose and Values Statement

Core Purpose

To inspire, enable and support Columbus City School students in pursuing and completing a college education.

Core Values

Student-centered- IKIC exists for students. We believe that the self-esteem of young people is a key to life-long success and well-being. All of our programs, resources, and strategic decisions will be grounded in a determination of what is best for students and what meets their needs.

Opportunity- We raise expectations and remove barriers for students and their families.

Achievement- We focus on student achievement that includes academic advancement, early awareness of and appetite for success pursuit of college studies, and the attainment of adult-level life skills such as engaged citizenship.

Responsibility- We have a responsibility to provide world-class services to students and their families, to collaborate with key community partners, and to be a leader in college access programming. Our students will recognize their responsibility to be leaders in giving back to their communities.

*Approved by IKIC Board
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Visit www.iknowican.org for more details about our programs and services.