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### Chicago Math & Science Academy Ranked among Best Public Charter High Schools by *Chicago Magazine*

Chicago, Illinois – August 30, 2016: [Chicago Magazine](#), a monthly magazine published by Tribune Publishing that concentrates on human-interest stories in and around Chicago, recently released its annual report of the 2016 Best Public Schools in the Chicagoland area. Chicago Math and Science Academy ([CMSA](#)), a Level 1+ public charter high school managed by [Concept Schools](#), earned the second highest ranking in Chicago for Public Charter High Schools.

CMSA serves the Rogers Park community and is composed economically disadvantaged students. CMSA was recognized for its reading and math growth primarily of minority and rates as measured by NWEA MAP, high rates of on-track freshmen and graduation, exceptional growth as measured by ACT exams, and the Illinois 5Essentials Survey results, which reliably measures organizational change and indicates probability for school success.



“Our teachers continuously strive to prepare our students by providing a network of academic support outside regular classroom hours. Students know that failing is not an option, and we will do everything in our power to help them succeed.” Principal Ali Kuran continued, “It is this degree of dedication from our teachers, staff, and community that contributes to our great achievement.”

Since 2004, it has been the mission of CMSA to prepare students for college and the world by offering a high-quality, college-prep, STEM-focused education geared towards changing the trajectory of students’ lives.

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Concept Schools is a charter school management organization that manages or operates 30 public charter schools throughout the Midwest. Our college-prep curriculum is STEM-based, and like any other public school, each school in the Concept network is highly regulated and overseen by their respective school districts and charter authorizers. Schools within the Concept Network are continuously recognized for their excellence in education.