“All I needed was a chance, and through CPE that opportunity was provided.”

Ayinde Calhoun, ’15
Mission:
Capital Partners for Education (CPE) aims to improve the futures of low-income youth by helping them receive a quality education, graduate from high school, and enroll, persist, and complete college.

Values:
Our values guide our goals and our work. We promote CPE’s five core values at every opportunity when working with students, as well as with mentors, staff, and board members.

High Expectations
We will demonstrate ambition and continue to challenge ourselves as we reach our goals.

Personal Responsibility
We believe each individual is responsible for the choices he or she makes, and we take responsibility for our own choices and behavior.

Respect
We will respect ourselves by behaving appropriately and working to the best of our ability. We will treat others as we would like to be treated.

Support
We understand how to give and receive help, and how to access resources.

Giving Back
We will become leaders in our communities, mentor the next generation of young people, and always do our best to help others who are in need.
Letter from Leadership

Mount Everest climbers get their first glimpse of the summit several hundred feet past Camp I, about two-thirds up the mountain and 19,500 feet above sea level. After a two-week walk to the airport in Kathmandu, a dizzying flight to Lukla, a 39-mile hike to the Base Camp, and scaling the world’s highest glacier, climbers at Camp I still have the most difficult part journey ahead of them.

Capital Partners for Education (CPE) is at Camp I. As we enter our 23rd school year, we stand firmly on years of accomplishments that have primed us to expand and deepen our impact in the Washington, D.C. area. Our journey has been fueled by a critical need in the community for high-quality mentoring and college success programming. As word of our success had spread, influxes of students, volunteers, donors, and community partners have clamored to join us. We’ve grown boldly yet responsibly, tripling our student body in just four years while maintaining our outstanding college enrollment and graduation rates.

CPE’s program is rooted in relationships. Our students need more than just information to earn college degrees; they need people who care about them to guide them through the process. Washington, D.C. is a city of silos, but the relationships fostered by CPE’s programming bridge divides between city quadrants, industries, and public and private sectors in meaningful ways. As we continue our ascent, we will need to work in tandem with our community partners, providing a united front of support for our motivated and deserving students.

We are standing on the precipice of even bolder expansions. As long as there are students in the region without road maps to earning college degrees, CPE will continue its upward trajectory. In 2016, CPE will conclude the goals set out for the organization in its 2012 strategic growth plan and begin setting the course for the next phase in our expansion. This phase will be driven by data, best practices, and technology. And most importantly, relationships, including those with supporters like you.

Thank you for being a part of our climb onwards and upwards.

Joseph C. Figini  
Board Chair

Khari Brown  
Executive Director
Children from less affluent backgrounds, even high ability children, lack the ‘road maps’ necessary to access college. Their networks fail to provide them and their families with the information they need to find a good, affordable school along with the financial aid for which they are eligible.

(“White House Task Force on Middle Class Families, STAFF REPORT: Barriers to Higher Education,” whitehouse.gov)
IMPACT IN NUMBERS

5 in 10
LOW-INCOME COLLEGE STUDENTS GRADUATE ON-TIME

65%
JOBS REQUIRING POST SECONDARY DEGREES BY 2020

70%
ON TIME COLLEGE COMPLETION AMONG CPE GRADUATES

112 to 340
2012 VS 2015

“Increases in the number of college graduates in a metropolitan area lead to increases in earnings for all workers in the area, not just those with higher levels of education.”


“CPE provided me with an extended family and support system. Everything from resume building workshops, free SAT prep courses, to college tours helped guide me and ensure success in whatever step I chose to take next. Most importantly they provided me with my phenomenal mentor Camilla, whom I soon grew to love like a big sister.”

Alumna Ashley Ajayi, ’09
Cap & Gown Celebration

“These folks are going to lead the cause, lead the country in the days to come... so it’s a great cause to support, a great program, a great success, and we’re happy to be a part of it.” — Peter Goldstone, Hanley Wood CEO
Colleges attended by graduating seniors

- Albright College
- American University
- Anne Arundel Community College
- Boston College
- Delaware State University
- George Mason University
- The George Washington University
- Guilford College
- Hamilton College
- Hood College
- Johnson C. Smith University
- Lycoming College
- Marymount University
- McDaniel College
- Montgomery Community College
- Morgan State University
- Mount St. Mary’s University
- Radford University
- Rosemont College
- Shepherd University
- Sewanee: University of the South
- St. John’s University
- Temple University
- Towson University
- Trinity Washington University
- University of Maryland, Baltimore County
- University of Maryland, College Park
- University of D.C. Community College
- Villanova University
Superlatives

2015 Henry D. Owen Scholarship Recipient
Established in 2012, the Henry D. Owen Scholarship is designed to reward a CPE senior who demonstrates a necessary dedication to the program values.
Winner: Derrell Bouknight
Derrell is a 2015 Gonzaga College High School graduate and active member of the CPE community. A talented journalist, sports broadcaster, and poet, Derrell is headed to New York City to study journalism at St. John’s University. CPE is proud to call Derrell one of our own.

Most Improved Student
Every year CPE chooses one high school senior as our Most Improved Student. When deciding who will receive this distinction, we look at students' academic and personal growth as well as their ability to overcome adversity.
Winner: Charlotte Koi-Larbi
Charlotte Koi-Larbi is a recent graduate of Elizabeth Seton High school. She is the eldest of 3, and all of the Koi-Larbi children are members of the CPE community. After struggling her freshmen year academically, Charlotte made the personal decision to place more focus on her academics and strive to improve her GPA, which she has achieved. Charlotte plays tennis and is a member of the Diamonds Club, an organization that promotes sisterhood and positive self-image. Charlotte has been matched with her mentor, Porsha Collis, since her freshmen year and they have cultivated and maintained a close relationship.

Mentor of the Year
Niki Irish
During National Mentoring Month, CPE named Niki Irish the 2015 Mentor of the Year. Niki has been a mentor for four years to KIPP DC graduate Le’Asia Foster, ‘15. She has not only been an exemplary resource and friend to Le’Asia, but also an invaluable asset to the CPE staff. As co-president of the Mentor Leadership Council (MLC), Niki has helped foster a sense of community among CPE mentors and provided important feedback to the CPE staff. CPE is grateful for her service and is thrilled to have the opportunity to recognize her as our Mentor of the Year.

“It’s clear that we as students have responded to CPE’s impact on each of our lives by using what we have learned as a torch to our individual paths.”

Derrell Bouknight
Feature: Mentor/Mentee Story

Omolayo Ojurongbe

Omolayo attended Elizabeth Seton High school and graduated May 2015. She is the middle child in a family of three and her eldest sister is a CPE alumna. Academically, Omolayo has maintained a GPA of at least 3.5 for all four years of high school, challenging herself with honors and AP courses as well. She is a member of the National Honors Society, Chorus and Work-Study Program. As a member of the CPE community, Omolayo served as a Student Leader where she exceeded the expectation of being an ambassador and role model. Omolayo is currently enrolled at Boston College.

Christine Lao-Scott

Christine is a staff attorney for Arnold & Porter. She has been a CPE mentor since 2011, when she was matched with Omolayo. Christine has been an active member of the mentor community, recently hosting a CPE volunteer information session at Arnold & Porter. Christine and Omolayo have an extremely close mentoring relationship. Omolayo attended Christine’s wedding and Christine and her spouse hosted Omolayo’s high school graduation party. Christine is a graduate of Tufts University and American University Washington College of Law.

MY mentor didn’t just enter into my life, but she also allowed me to be a member in her family.

Omolayo Ojurongbe

Partner Schools

- Academy of the Holy Cross
- Benjamin Banneker High School
- Bishop McNamara High School
- Bishop O’Connell High School
- Capital City Public Charter School
- DeMatha Catholic High School
- Don Bosco Cristo Rey High School
- E.L. Haynes Public Charter School
- Elizabeth Seton High School
- Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School
- Gonzaga College High School
- KIPP DC: College Preparatory
- McKinley Technology Education Campus
- Paul Public Charter School
- Stone Ridge School of the Sacred Heart
- The Bullis School
- The SEED School of Washington, DC
- Washington Latin Public Charter School
- Woodrow Wilson High School
Volunteers

Trailblazer Mentors
(9th - 12th grade)

Tony Gyepi Garbrath
Rachel Hamilton
Matthew Handverger
Monique Harris
Malik Houghton
Talia Hawley
J ohn Paul Hayworth**
Cory Heltz
Royden Henry
Pia Hill
J oseph Howard
Seam Howe
J ohn (Mat) Hudson
Holly Hunter
Leslie Hutchings**
Tonya Hyde
Niki Irish*
Star J ackson
J J ohnson
Scott J ohnston
Marijke J urgens-Dupree
Frank J ustice
Teresa Kauffman
J ennifer Kelly
Ralph Kesse
Terri Lakowski
Christine Lao-Scott
Alan Lau
J im Lee
Simon Leefatt
Rachel Lipson
Chris Lockwood*
Sonia Luthra
J ill Luxenberg
Francis Lynch
Kourtney Macbeth
Christopher Malay
Brittany Maye
Kristin Maynard**
Danielle McCoy
Nathan McCray
Michelle McLeod
Dana Meeker
Emilio Mendez
Sandra Meredith*
Amy Meyers
Liz Moderi
Paul Monarch
Babajijibomi Moore
Brian Naumick
Kathryn Nelson
Taryn Null
Laura Okpala
Brandy Osimokun
Spenser Osimokun
Peter Pieh
Cara Pleau
Loren Ponds
Sharon Powell
J eremy Presser
Mona Rahman
Maggie Raible
Megan Reoch
J ennifer Richardson
Callie Riley
Duane Rollins
Liesa Ross
Edward Rubbo
Lisa Saheba
Tobias Schroeder
Sara Schwartz*
Andrew Serio
Michelle Shapiro
Nikita Shenoy
Dan Short**
Trenton Smith
J ohn S osanna**
Marin Stein
Monica Suber
Terri Taylor
LaShawndra Thornton
Stefan Toussaint
Trevor Tullius
Tiffani Turner
Kaveh Vakili
Caroline Van Zile
Telesa Via
Nathan Victoria
Daniel Vose
Kelly Warner*
Erin Waters
Makita Weaver
Kenneth Wetzel
J amie Wheaton
Terrence Whittaker
Carlene Wilson
Candice Wright
J essica Wright
Dan Wright
Anni Ylagan
I va Ziza

Navigator Mentors
(11th – 12th grade)

Amanda Barnett
Mary Kate Blaine
Thomas Boyd
Brent Cecil
MyAsa Cheatham
Anne Clements
Kelly Cohen
Maggie Connell
Michaela Cooke
Micah Engler
J ustin Feltman
Charles Gale
Ruchi Gill
Harinder Gill
Logan Gregoire
Belle Hernandez
Danielle Kane
Victoria Killion
Emma Kinnucan
Michael Langman
Kel Little
Dawn Mabery
Tim Mak
Lindsay Michnick
Max Moclock
Kristen Monroe
Ulrike Nischan
Sarah Pfund
Lexer Quamie
Bernice Ramirez
Keilah Roberts
Ryan Roberts
Noah Rodgers
Susana Rojas
Brantley Sanderson
Raisa Sheynberg
Elizabeth Sibaja
Scott Skinner
Danny Stein*
Rhonda Swales
Rae Swales
Zena Thomas
Maura Vanderzon
Casey Welch
Tequilla Wheeler
J alisa Whiteley
Selma Williams
Charlene Williams
Blen Woldearegay
Michael Yeldell
Transformers Mentors (College)
Adam Alvarez
Gregory Billings
Koehler Briceno
Mina Dixon
Ayesha Edwards Kemp
Raymond Fan
Erika Gibson
Hallie Groff
Stacia Jackson
Clifton Jones
Augustus Jones*
Zachary Koerber
Regina Leslie
Erin Loken
Travis Mayo
Harrison Miller
Jonathan Perry
Racine Peters
Devin Rollins
Donald Sherman
Kate Smith
J oele Theagene
Tina Vehorn
DeNeatha Woods
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Thank you 2015 Corporate Partners

CPE Alumni 2015
This year marked the official start of CPE’s Student Alumni Association. After a banquet earlier in the year, 32 former CPE students met for the first time in an official capacity to create goals for their alumni group and to develop strategies for getting in touch with more former CPE students. The newly formed CPE Alumni Association envisions itself as a resource for current CPE students and is eager to give back to the CPE community. Its long-term goals include: increasing the employability of CPE alumni through personal and professional development, providing current CPE students with guidance, assisting in securing philanthropic gifts for CPE, and strengthening the CPE alumni bonds of fellowship, professional association, and CPE program affiliation.
Financial Statements
(in thousands)

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In Memoriam

James Rice, CPE Class of 2011
Mr. Rice was a vibrant member of the CPE community and his infectious optimism and warm spirit will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

James Belk, CPE Class of 1999
Mr. Belk graduated from Bishop McNamara and went on to attend the University of South Carolina. He became an automotive engineer and mentor in Detroit. He leaves behind a wife and three children.