

Premier Academy

Middle School High School

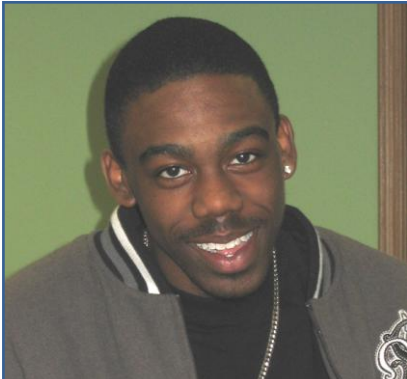
Information for prospective students

Premier Academy provides an alternative education that primarily uses computer instruction and testing. Students progress at their own pace and follow an individual graduation plan designed to fulfill their needs. School starts at 8:45 a.m. and dismisses at 2:15 p.m. Most area school districts provide bus transportation to Premier Academy.

To be eligible, students must be referred to Premier Academy by their home school and meet at least one of the following criteria: chronically truant — having missed 10% or more school days; suspended at least twice totaling more than 4 days; eligible for expulsion or expelled; be a dropout aged 17-21.

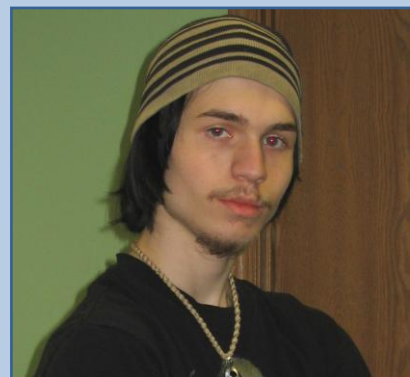


"You can get a fresh start at Premier. It seems different here although being with class friends is the same. The teachers and staff members are more likeable and they are more available to help." — Tyre Thompson, Junior



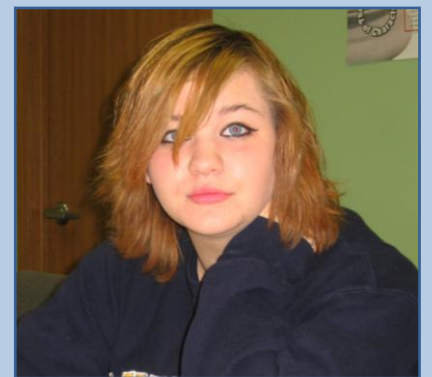
"There aren't as many distractions at Premier as there were at my previous school. The teachers are nice and help students when needed. There is no homework and school gets out early." — Gabriel Romero, 6th grade

"I prefer courses on a computer over a normal classroom. You have more chances to succeed at Premier and you can work at your own pace. You only have to take courses that are needed." — Danielle Allen, Junior



"I like the computer-based learning; you don't have to walk to get to your next class; it seems easier. You don't have to do homework, but you can work at home if you want to move fast in a class." — Chris Lamber, Junior

"I wouldn't be able to graduate on time if not for Premier. I didn't expect to fit in here, but now I'm friends with everyone in my class." — Courtney Schaefer, Senior



"Working on a computer is easier for me. I don't have to worry about losing papers; I only have to worry about accomplishing my goals and I have 5 hours to work on my goals." — Kaylynn Kent, 7th grade

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