

2010 HEROES AMONG US AWARDS



"I always feel there is more I could do," says King (at Urban Prep with students).



INSPIRING STUDENTS
Tim King, 43 Chicago

People Magazine's Heroes of the Year

When Tim King opened the first all-male charter high school in the nation in 2006, only 4 percent of his freshman class could read at grade level. With its longer day, uniforms and focus on higher education, Urban Prep achieved what some said was impossible: all 107

students from its first class were admitted to college.

"There is no excuse not to do this. It energizes me. Growing up, I had a bunch of people—my parents, my grandparents—who had gone to college. Somewhere along the line in my family, someone broke the cycle of poverty and that changed everything. These guys are going to look back and say 'I'm the person who changed everything for my family because I went to college.' When you think of that, you can't get tired. You really can't."



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