



# WE BELIEVE

LIVING THE URBAN PREP CREED

URBAN PREP ACADEMIES • 2008 ANNUAL REPORT



# THE URBAN PREP CREED

**WE BELIEVE.**

**WE ARE THE YOUNG MEN OF URBAN PREP.**

**WE ARE COLLEGE BOUND.**

**WE ARE EXCEPTIONAL-NOT BECAUSE WE SAY IT,  
BUT BECAUSE WE WORK HARD AT IT.**

**WE WILL NOT FALTER IN THE FACE OF ANY  
OBSTACLE PLACED BEFORE US.**

**WE ARE DEDICATED, COMMITTED AND FOCUSED.**

**WE NEVER SUCCUMB TO MEDIOCRITY,  
UNCERTAINTY OR FEAR.**

**WE NEVER FAIL BECAUSE WE NEVER GIVE UP.**

**WE MAKE NO EXCUSES.**

**WE CHOOSE TO LIVE HONESTLY, NONVIOLENTLY  
AND HONORABLY.**

**WE RESPECT OURSELVES AND, IN DOING SO,  
RESPECT ALL PEOPLE.**

**WE HAVE A FUTURE FOR WHICH WE  
ARE ACCOUNTABLE.**

**WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO OUR FAMILIES,  
COMMUNITY AND WORLD.**

**WE ARE OUR BROTHERS' KEEPERS.**

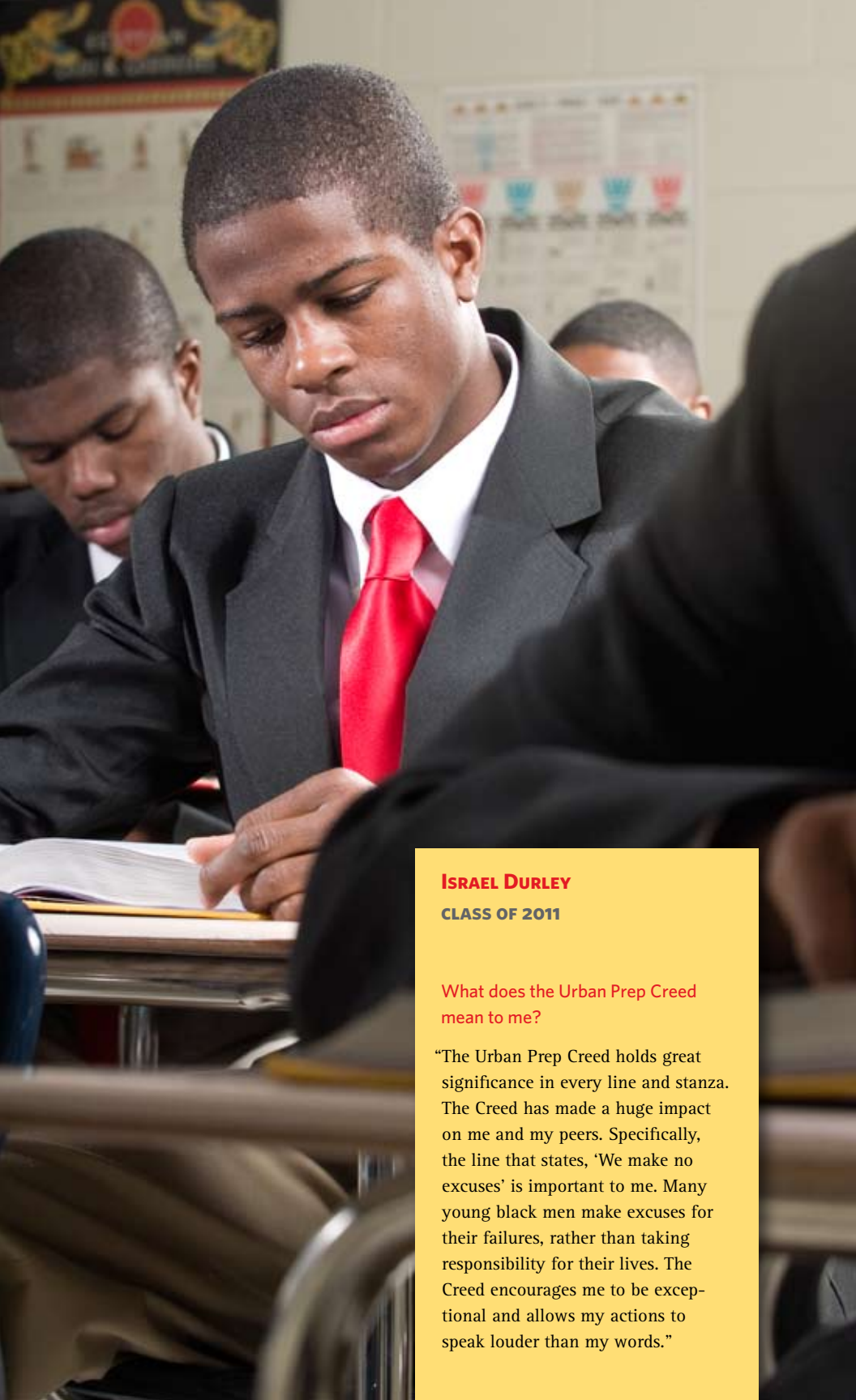
**WE BELIEVE IN OURSELVES.**

**WE BELIEVE IN EACH OTHER.**

**WE BELIEVE IN URBAN PREP.**

**WE BELIEVE.**





**ISRAEL DURLEY**

**CLASS OF 2011**

**What does the Urban Prep Creed mean to me?**

“The Urban Prep Creed holds great significance in every line and stanza. The Creed has made a huge impact on me and my peers. Specifically, the line that states, ‘We make no excuses’ is important to me. Many young black men make excuses for their failures, rather than taking responsibility for their lives. The Creed encourages me to be exceptional and allows my actions to speak louder than my words.”



Dear Friend,

Before we opened our doors and welcomed our first class, Urban Prep's faculty, staff and administration (collectively known as "Team UP") sat in a room and discussed what we wanted our students to believe about themselves, their community and their future. The discussion was profound, robust, intense and long! From that discussion was born the Urban Prep Creed. The Creed is a summary of our values, goals, hopes and dreams for our students and all members of the Urban Prep family.

Each morning, during our daily ritual called Community, our students stand with their brothers and recite these words. And each year, as we add another class, the enthusiasm (not to mention the volume) with which our students say the Creed increases. What also increases is our students' commitment to the words of the Creed. Words like, *We Are College Bound; We Are Dedicated; We Are Our Brothers' Keepers.*

But it is not enough for our students to be committed to the Creed. The adults in their lives must also be called to action by the Creed and provide the best possible education for these young men. This is why I am so happy to present to you this Annual Report which doesn't just chronicle the achievements of our students during our second year, but also details the contributions of the people who have facilitated these achievements: our teachers, staff, Board members, donors and volunteers. Without you, none of what we have accomplished during our second year would have been possible.

The Creed concludes *We Believe in Ourselves, We Believe in Each Other, We Believe in Urban Prep, We Believe.* Thank you for believing in us, Urban Prep, and the young men we serve.

We Believe,

TIM KING  
FOUNDER & CEO

# WE ARE EXCEPTIONAL - NOT BECAUSE WE SAY IT, BUT BECAUSE WE WORK HARD AT IT.

Founded in 2002, Urban Prep is the nation's first Charter Public High School for boys and the first and only Charter Public School for boys in the state of Illinois. In 2006, Urban Prep Charter Academy for Young Men opened in the Englewood community in Chicago, Illinois.

## DAILY ATTENDANCE RATE

DISTRICT: 84% ■ NEIGHBORHOOD: 75%

URBAN PREP:

93%

## FRESHMEN ON TRACK TO GRADUATE

As measured by CPS, this is the percentage of 9th grade black males who have accumulated 5 full credits and received no more than one "F" in a core subject during a semester.

DISTRICT: 47% ■ NEIGHBORHOOD: 34%

79%

## PARTICIPATION IN EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Research shows that students engaged in school sponsored extra-curricular activities are more connected to school and therefore more likely to succeed.

DISTRICT: 71% ■ NEIGHBORHOOD: 67%

87%

## EPAS

Educational Planning and Assessment System measures students' progress from 9th to 10th grade. The figures here represent the percentage of students making the necessary gains between grades to succeed on the ACT.

DISTRICT: 49% ■ NEIGHBORHOOD: 48%

57%



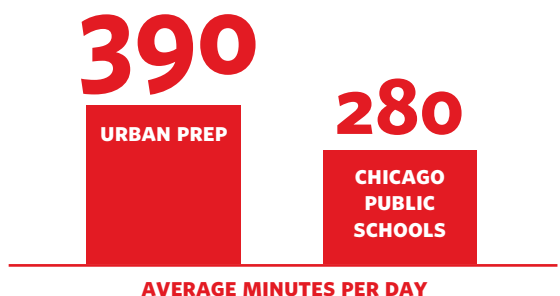
With more than 50 percent of Urban Prep students coming from the Englewood neighborhood, we believe that our students contribute to the overall growth of their community.

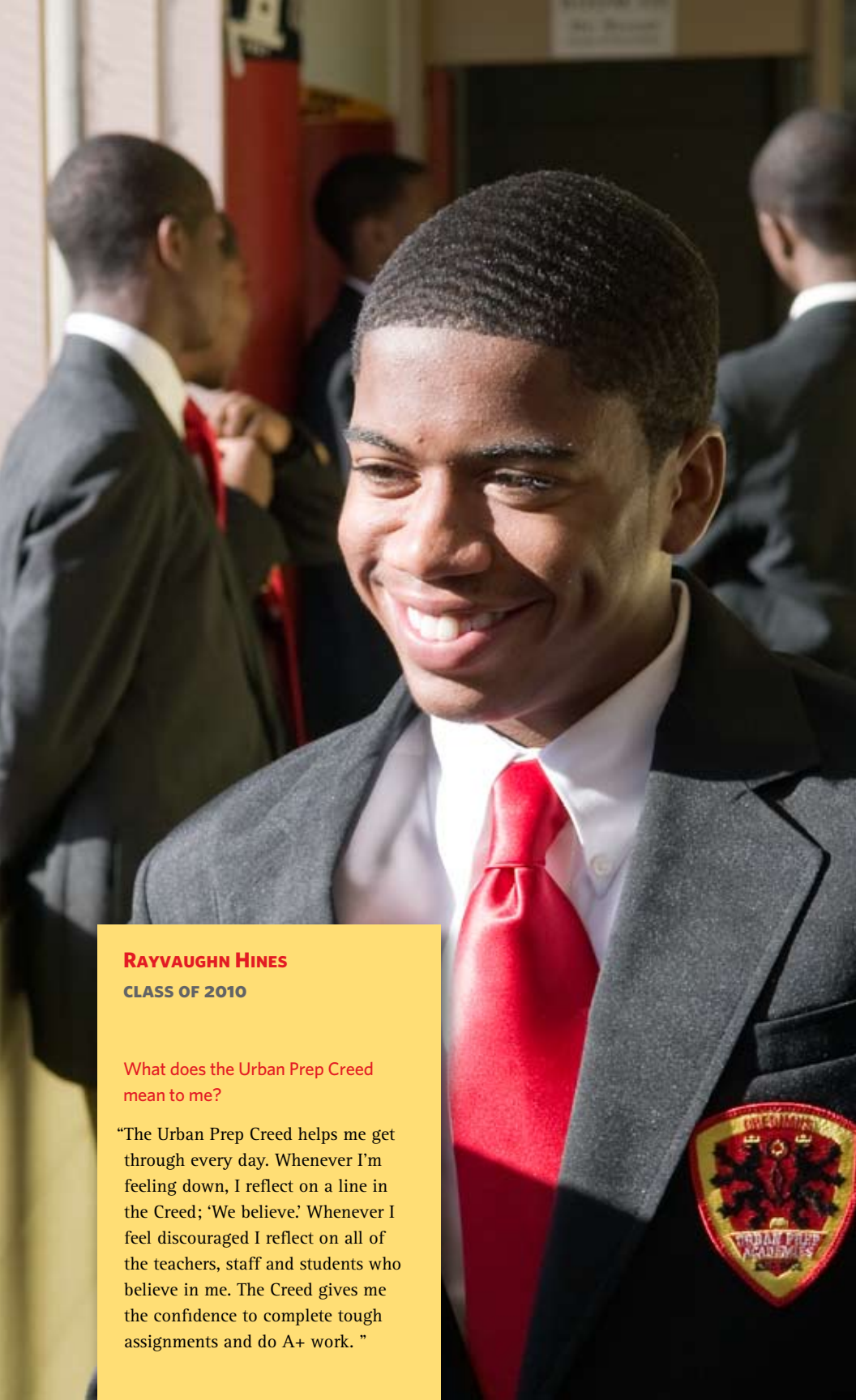
#### **FY2008 URBAN PREP STUDENT DATA**

- 296 Students
- 84 percent qualified for free/reduced lunch
- Students live in 20 different Chicago zip codes
- Students come from 150 different grammar schools
- 75 percent of students live in single-parent households
- On average, only 7 percent of students came to Urban Prep reading at or above grade level

The young men of Urban Prep Charter Academy are committed to their education. The typical Urban Prep day is 40 percent longer than that of traditional Chicago Public Schools. Over four years, Urban Prep students will spend an average of 74,800 more minutes in class than traditional CPS high school students.

The average amount of time students spend in school in class on a daily basis.





**RAYVAUGHN HINES**

**CLASS OF 2010**

**What does the Urban Prep Creed mean to me?**

“The Urban Prep Creed helps me get through every day. Whenever I’m feeling down, I reflect on a line in the Creed; ‘We believe.’ Whenever I feel discouraged I reflect on all of the teachers, staff and students who believe in me. The Creed gives me the confidence to complete tough assignments and do A+ work.”

# WE ARE COLLEGE BOUND.

Urban Prep students participate in myriad programs and activities each year that enhance their high school experience, support their preparedness for college, and make them well-rounded individuals. A few of these programs and activities are described below.

## **STUDY UP! SUMMER PROGRAM**

Urban Prep's Study UP! summer program provides students with challenging learning and employment opportunities that cultivate their intellectual ability and social awareness. About 50 Urban Prep students spent the summer enrolled at universities like Cambridge, Stanford, and Georgetown as well as in corporate and government internships.

## **STUDENT SERVICE PROJECTS**

Urban Prep students designed and executed service projects that addressed and heightened awareness of issues like drug abuse, teen violence, community safety, physical health and environmental preservation. Working in their Prides, students partnered with local elected officials and community based organizations to identify community needs and worked to address those needs.

## **SPEAKERS**

In order to ensure that our students have many positive examples of success and achievement, we invite speakers to the school and facilitate visits for our students to hear lectures from prominent speakers. This year's speakers included nominated U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan, Harvard Professor Dr. Henry Louis Gates, Jr., author Dr. Calvin Mackie, Chicago City Treasurer Stephanie Neely, President-Elect Barack Obama, entertainer and entrepreneur Kanye West and Chicago Board of Education President Rufus Williams.



### FOOTBALL TEAM

The Football Team entered its second year with incredible energy and finished second in the Great Lakes Conference with a 5-2 record. The Lions out-scored opponents 132-50 and held five of their seven opponents to less than 10 points.

### TRACK TEAM

The Track Team hit the ground running in their second year en route to a tremendously successful season. The Lions placed 4th at the CPS Sophomore City Championship Meet, where a team co-captain captured a City Championship in the 300-meter hurdle and was the runner up in the 110 meter hurdles.

### DEBATE TEAM

Inspired in part by the film, "The Great Debaters" and supported by the National Association for Urban Debate Leagues and the Chicago Debate Commission, Urban Prep launched its Debate Team this year. The team competed in three tournaments during its inaugural year, including the City Championship.

### THE LION'S ROAR

The *Lion's Roar* is Urban Prep's student-produced newspaper. Printed monthly, it features running columns and articles about life at Urban Prep. With its extensive coverage of student achievement, Urban Prep activities and athletics, and the wildly popular "Student of the Month" and "Teacher of the Month" sections, the *Lion's Roar* keeps its finger on the pulse of the Urban Prep community.

### URBAN PREP CLUBS, ACTIVITIES AND SPORTS

Baseball

Basketball

Companies That Care  
Mentoring Program

Cross Country

Dean's Deputies

Debate Team

Football

Newspaper

Science Club

Spanish Club

Student Ambassadors

Student Council

Technology Club

Track and Field

Wrestling

Writing Club

Yearbook Committee

Young Entrepreneurs Club



**MARQUINN GIBSON**

**CLASS OF 2010**

**What does the Urban Prep Creed mean to me?**

“The Creed is a motivational tool that reminds me of where I am trying to go in life. I know I have to make a conscious effort to succeed because ‘I have a responsibility to my family, community, and world.’ With the Creed as my guide, I am certain I will be a success.”

# WE HAVE A FUTURE FOR WHICH WE ARE ACCOUNTABLE.

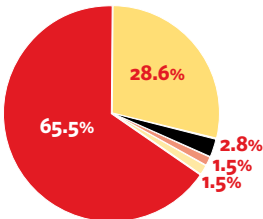
## HOW WE ARE FUNDED

Urban Prep is funded through a combination of public and private sources. We receive a per pupil allotment as well as funding for being a small school from the Chicago Board of Education/Chicago Public Schools. Additional funds come from the state and federal governments. In 2008, we spent about \$12,000 per pupil; approximately \$8,500 per student came from the aforementioned public sources. The balance, about \$3,500 per student, is provided through the generosity of donors who believe in our mission and our students.

### SOURCE OF INCOME

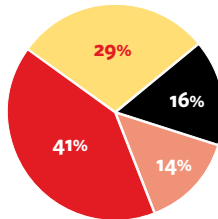
- CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
2,465,773 - **65.5%**
- CHARITABLE DONATIONS  
1,078,396 - **28.6%**
- STATE FUNDING  
107,237 - **2.8%**
- FEDERAL FUNDING  
58,020 - **1.5%**
- OTHER INCOME  
55,211 - **1.5%**

**TOTAL INCOME: 3,764,637**



### FUNDRAISING/CHARITABLE DONATIONS

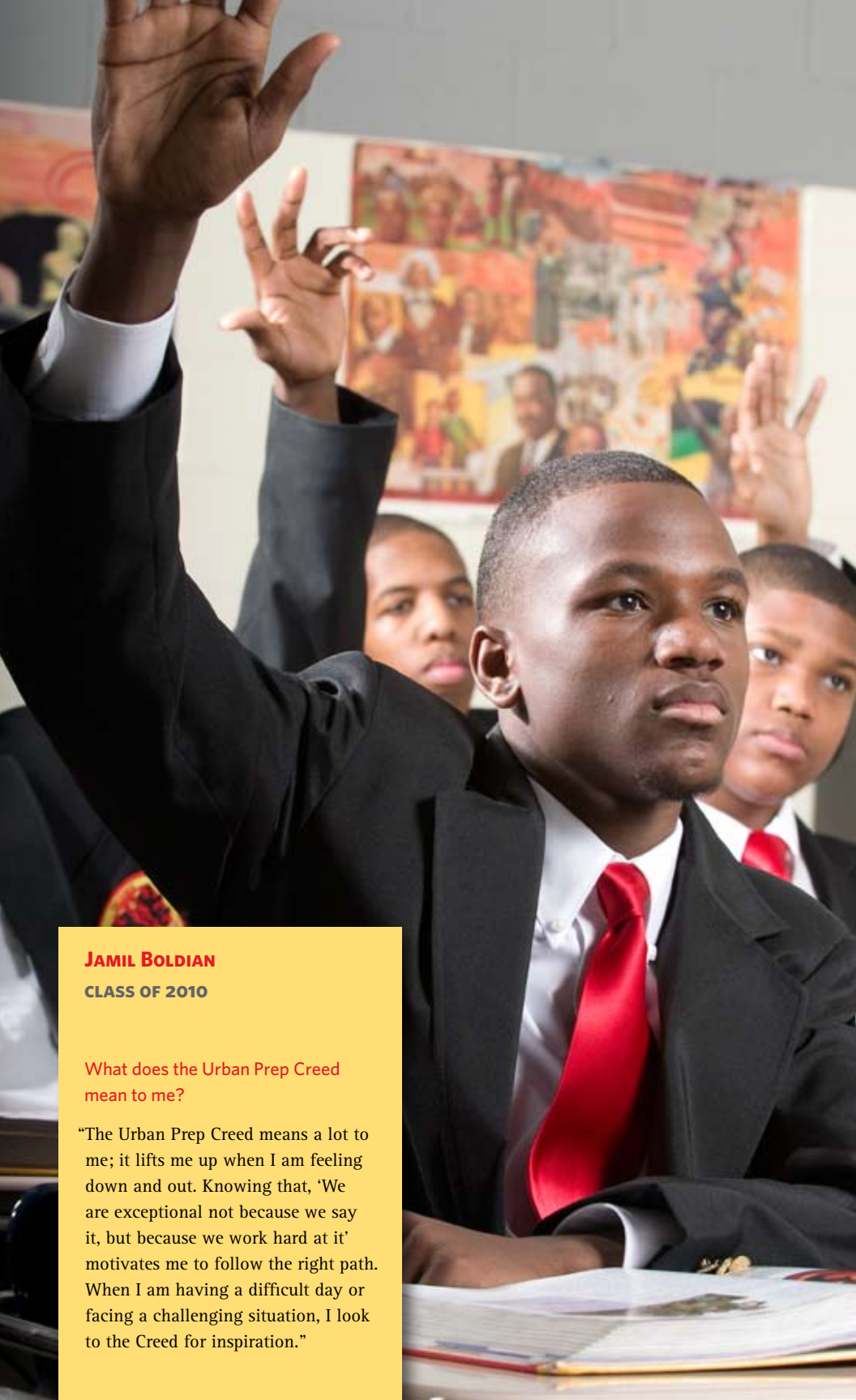
- CORPORATE - **41%**
- INDIVIDUAL - **29%**
- FOUNDATION - **16%**
- GOVERNMENT - **14%**





**URBAN PREP ACADEMIES • STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007**

UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	2008	2007
<b>SUPPORT AND REVENUE</b>		
CPS FUNDS	\$ 2,465,773	\$ 2,017,045
SGSA/STATE	107,237	76,612
TITLE I/FEDERAL	58,020	27,520
CONTRIBUTIONS	1,078,396	685,207
STUDENT FEES	28,978	13,928
INTEREST INCOME	546	15,091
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	687	-
NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTION	25,000	
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE</b>	<b>3,764,637</b>	<b>2,835,403</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
INSTRUCTION	2,641,329	1,938,462
ACADEMIC SUPPORT	138,496	161,530
DEVELOPMENT AND FUNDRAISING	178,259	108,632
PLANT OPERATION	512,748	283,504
DEPRECIATION	121,909	51,233
INTEREST	24,024	14,278
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>3,616,765</b>	<b>2,557,639</b>
<b>CHANGE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS</b>	<b>147,872</b>	<b>277,764</b>
<b>TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS</b>		
CONTRIBUTIONS		25,000
NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS	(25,000)	
<b>CHANGE IN TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS</b>	<b>(25,000)</b>	<b>25,000</b>
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>	<b>122,872</b>	<b>302,764</b>
<b>NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>317,804</b>	<b>15,040</b>
<b>NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR</b>	<b>440,676</b>	<b>317,804</b>



**JAMIL BOLDIAN**

**CLASS OF 2010**

**What does the Urban Prep Creed mean to me?**

“The Urban Prep Creed means a lot to me; it lifts me up when I am feeling down and out. Knowing that, ‘We are exceptional not because we say it, but because we work hard at it’ motivates me to follow the right path. When I am having a difficult day or facing a challenging situation, I look to the Creed for inspiration.”

## WE ARE OUR BROTHERS' KEEPERS

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, Urban Prep raised more than one million dollars in FY08. This funding came from over 400 individuals, foundations, corporations and government entities. While fundraising is integral to Urban Prep's survival, the Institutional Advancement efforts for the school go beyond development to include student recruitment, marketing, media, Web development and communications. A few highlights of our efforts and our donors' generosity are listed on the following pages.

### **MEDIA**

During the 2007-2008 school year, Urban Prep received national attention when *The Economist* featured Urban Prep in a piece titled "Red ties and boys' pride: Sowing the seeds of good schools in the Midwest." The *Chicago Sun-Times*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Time Out Chicago*, *Chicago Defender*, *N'Digo*, the *South End Citizen*, WLS-TV (ABC), WBBM-TV (CBS) and WMAQ-TV (NBC) also featured Urban Prep during the year.

### **THE SARA LEE CORPORATION AND RENAISSANCE SCHOOLS FUND**

The Sara Lee Corporation and the Renaissance Schools Fund (RSF) have collectively provided Urban Prep with donations totaling \$500,000. Their gifts have helped Urban Prep create and sustain innovative programs that boost academic achievement and prepare Urban Prep students to succeed in college.

### **ACES UP! RESULTS**

On November 29, 2007, Illinois State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias, *Chicago Sun-Times* columnist Richard Roeper and former Chicago Bear Chris Zorich hosted the first annual "Aces UP!" celebrity poker tournament to support Urban Prep. The Texas Hold 'Em tournament raised more than \$100,000 with more than 300 players participating in the event.

### **BETA BOULÉ - SIGMA PI PHI**

The Beta Boulé Chapter of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, the nation's oldest African-American professional fraternal organization, donated \$10,500 to Urban Prep Charter Academy to help purchase Urban Prep blazers for students at the Englewood Campus.

## INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT - DONOR LIST

Urban Prep Academies relies heavily on donations to fulfill our mission of preparing graduates for college. The individuals and organizations listed on these pages contributed to the success of Urban Prep Academies between July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008.

To the best of our knowledge, the information below is true and correct. If we have misspelled, omitted or improperly listed your name or your organization, please accept our apologies and call or e-mail us so that we can correct your record.

Thank you for your support!

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#### UP TO \$100

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