



# Intrinsic Schools | Belmont Campus

## Belmont Campus School Profile 2025-26

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### About Intrinsic Schools

Intrinsic Schools is an open enrollment Charter School network with two campuses in Chicago, IL. Our mission is to prepare all students for postsecondary success and world changing endeavors. Alongside their families, we support students to succeed in all postsecondary pathways, and historically over 90% of our students continue their educational journey in a college setting, whether 2 year or 4 year.

### Our Community and Enrollment

Our Belmont Campus opened in 2013, and has a high school enrollment of 757 students, with 146 students in our current senior class. Over 90% of our students join us from within a 3 mile radius. Approximately 80% of our seniors will be among the first generation in their family to attend college and over 85% of our students qualify for a Pell Grant in a typical year. Demographically, our senior class community is 93% LatinX, 2% African-American, and 5% other racial identity.

### Our EPIC Model

Intrinsic creates intentional spaces and structures that flex time, space, and people to increase student outcomes and improve students' life trajectories. Students build skills in empathy, perseverance, identity, and curiosity (EPIC) and work together to foster a strong and inclusive community. Highlights of our model include:

#### Student-Led Conferences

Three times a year, students lead a discussion with their advisor and family members/other key influences in their lives to share their progress and discuss future plans. Student-Led Conferences support students in building a deep sense of self and in practicing sharing their strengths and who they are in ways that increase access to college and career.

#### C Day

Once per week, students organize their own schedule by choosing academic and extracurricular options based on their individual needs. Students participate in clubs, office hours, study groups, and other extracurricular activities in order to explore their interests and identify personal strengths. C days are intentionally student-driven and allow students to build community and have individual ownership over their learning, passions, and extracurricular involvement.

#### Pods

At Intrinsic, classrooms are intentionally designed to support students as they learn across multiple modalities. In "pods", students work independently, in student-to-student, and in student-to-teacher groupings based on their individual learning goals.

**The aim of our comprehensive approach is to inspire our students to grow and progress in the following areas:**

#### EMPATHY:

Understand the perspectives of others, build inclusive community, and kindness

#### PERSEVERANCE:

Set and pursue goals proactively, adapt and build resilience in the face of obstacles, and become independent

#### IDENTITY :

Analyze and take ownership of their life story and discover and work towards a larger purpose

#### CURIOSITY:

Seek to continuously learn about the world and be cognizant of the liberties of one's own perspective and experience

#### THINK:

Find, discern, and analyze information from multiple sources across multiple perspectives

#### SOLVE:

Inquire and assess the current state, and craft innovative and optimal solutions, both individually and collaboratively

#### COMMUNICATE:

Write, speak, listen, and present in ways that are compelling for a given audience

#### REFLECT

Evaluate process routinely and seek to improve the Think-Solve-Communicate cycle

## Grading Scale

Letter	Grade	GPA
<b>A+</b>	<b>97-100</b>	<b>4.4</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>92-96</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>A-</b>	<b>90-91</b>	<b>3.7</b>
<b>B+</b>	<b>87-89</b>	<b>3.4</b>
<b>B</b>	<b>82-86</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>B-</b>	<b>80-81</b>	<b>2.7</b>
<b>C+</b>	<b>77-79</b>	<b>2.4</b>
<b>C</b>	<b>72-76</b>	<b>2.0</b>
<b>C-</b>	<b>70-71</b>	<b>1.7</b>
<b>D</b>	<b>60-69</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>&lt;60</b>	<b>0.0</b>

### Course Weight

Early College Courses are weighted 2 points  
Honors Courses are weighted 1 point

## Early College Course Offerings

AP Biology  
AP Calculus  
AP Computer Science Principles  
AP Government & Politics  
AP Pre-Calculus  
AP Psychology  
AP Seminar  
AP Spanish Language  
AP Spanish Literature  
AP Statistics

\*Availability of AP courses- Students taking 5 or more AP courses are among our strongest students.

**Postsecondary Seminar-** Our postsecondary seminar provides highly individualized guidance on building life skills and content knowledge to help students succeed in their postsecondary planning process with focus on 4 critical domains: College Exploration, Career Exploration, Identity Exploration, and Academic Habits.

**Advisory-** Students build strong relationships with their faculty advisor during daily small group meetings where they reflect on their learning and receive feedback and coaching from their peers and advisor.

## Honors Course Offerings SY 25-26

Algebra I  
Algebra II/Trigonometry  
Anatomy & Physiology  
Biology  
Chemistry  
English I, II, III, IV  
Geometry  
Physics  
Spanish I,II,III, & IV  
US History  
Visual & Performing Arts  
World Studies

## College Acceptances and Enrollment (2017-2025)

Agnes Scott College

**Albion College**

**American University**

**Augustana College**

**Beloit College**

**Bentley University**

Boston College

**Boston University**

**Bradley University**

Carnegie Mellon University

Case Western Reserve University

**Claremont McKenna College**

Clark Atlanta University

**Colgate University**

**Connecticut College**

**Cornell University**

**Dartmouth College**

**DePaul University**

**DePauw University**

**Dominican University**

**Eastern Illinois University**

**Elmhurst University**

**Emory University**

Fisk University

**George Washington University**

Georgetown University

Georgia Institute of Technology

Gettysburg College

Grand Valley State University

**Grinnell College**

Hamilton College

**Hope College**

**Howard University**

**Illinois Institute of Technology**

**Illinois State University**

Johns Hopkins University

**Kalamazoo College**

**Knox College**

**Lake Forest College**

Lawrence University

**Loyola University Chicago**

Lycoming College

Macalester College

Marquette University

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

**Middlebury College**

Morehouse College

**Morgan State University**

**National Louis University**

**North Park University**

**North Carolina A & T State University**

**Northern Illinois University**

**Northwestern University**

**Oberlin College**

Ohio State University - Main Campus

Ohio Wesleyan University

Reed College

**Pomona College**

**Purdue University**

**Saint Louis University**

**Skidmore College**

**Southern Methodist University**

**Southern Illinois University Carbondale**

Spelman College

St. Olaf College

Texas A & M University

The College of Wooster

**Trinity College**

**Tufts University**

University of California - Berkeley

University of California - Davis

University of California - Irvine

**University of Chicago**

**University of Illinois Chicago**

University of Illinois Springfield

**University of Illinois Urbana Champaign**

**University of Iowa**

University of Miami

**University of Michigan - Ann Arbor**

University of Minnesota

University of Missouri

University of Notre Dame

University of Pittsburgh

**University of Southern California**

**University of Wisconsin - Madison**

**Ursinus College**

Vanderbilt University

Villanova University

**Washington University in St. Louis**

Wabash College

**Western Illinois University**

**Whitman College**

Xavier University of Louisiana

*Intrinsic students have earned admission to nearly 400 colleges and universities, not all of which are listed here, since our first class graduated in 2017. Colleges listed in **bold** denote where Intrinsic alumni have enrolled. We also celebrate and recognize our graduates who are pursuing 2-year colleges, careers, workforce programs and apprenticeships, and the United States Armed Forces.*