

# AT&T Aspire: Vallejo Unified School District

## Graduating Students, One Community at a Time



### Program Description:

Serving over 15,000 Bay Area students, the Vallejo Unified School District is committed to providing its students with access to high quality education, opportunity for higher learning, and support for success in school and beyond. With its mission of "Equity, Excellence and Educational Effectiveness" in mind, the school district places an emphasis on college and career readiness and is committed to stemming the high school drop out crisis.

Despite the City of Vallejo's financial struggles, the school district has increased student class attendance rates, grades, and overall graduation rates since launching its "Wall-to-Wall" academies initiative in 2010.

The Vallejo City Unified School District will use AT&T's contribution to expand the program's implementation of Wall-to-Wall academies that provide specialized learning in different focus areas to every high school student in the district. As part of the regular curriculum, these academies are designed to reduce the drop out rates, narrow the achievement gap, and increase class attendance. The academies will give the students the tools they need to succeed, helping pave the way for their college educations and future careers.



Michael Jordan II,  
Hospitality Academy  
student



- The Vallejo City Unified School District is a medium-sized K-12 school district serving approximately **15,500 students**. We are comprised of **15** elementary schools, **1** K-8 charter school, **3** middle schools serving grades 6-8, **2** comprehensive high schools, a continuation school, a community day school and a unique school which provides support to families who choose an independent study/home study option. In addition, the district has an extensive child development and preschool program and an adult school which serves **4,000 adults**.
- Vallejo is centrally located in the San Francisco Bay Area - 20 miles from the Napa Valley, 30 miles from San Francisco and 45 miles from Sacramento. Vallejo has a growing population of more than **125,000 residents** of diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds.

"The Hospitality Academy is a great start to prepare me for my future. I learn a lot from the support of the academy teachers and the hands on learning that we do in class and on field trips."

-Michael Jordan II