



the world needs us to be successful

**Seeking motivated,
high-performing 6th grade
students in NYC!**



About BTNY:

BTNY transforms the lives of motivated, low-income students by preparing them for college so they can succeed in the world.

We are seeking for exceptional 6th grade students to participate in our free, ten-year college success program.

BTNY students receive:

- After-school Tutoring: HW Help, SSAT / SHSAT Test Prep, Current Events Seminar
- 6-Week Intensive Summer Program
- Personalized High School Placement Coaching
- On-going support in high school with tutoring, SAT prep, internship placement, and more!
- Personalized College Admissions Placement Coaching
- Personalized support in college through graduation
- Mentorship from amazing high school and college graduates and young professionals

Who are we looking for?

A student must meet all of the terms below:

- Be a current resident of New York City (reside in one of the five boroughs)
- Be enrolled in the 6th grade in a NYC public, charter, or parochial middle school at the time of application
- Have proven citizenship status (either a U.S. Social Security or Green Card number)
- Have an 80% or better in ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies on their most recent report card
- Have score a 3 or better on their 5th grade state ELA and Math tests
- Be able to attend all programming dates, including 6-week summer program (Monday – Friday 8am-4pm) and after-school program (Monday and Wednesday 4:30pm-6:30pm)
- Come from a household whose income is less than **\$20,000 per person**

A student must meet at least two of the terms below:

- Identify as an English Language Learner
- Will be the first in family to attend four-year college in the U.S.
- Qualify for Federal Free or Reduced Lunch program

The best thing I learned at Breakthrough is the value of persistence and finishing things that you start. Breakthrough is one of those commitments you don't see yourself fulfilling until you do, and you become grateful to yourself for not allowing yourself to quit. I've seen the fruits of my labor.

— Rahmel Robinson will be attending University of Chicago in the fall



I value the Breakthrough New York community very dearly because not only have they helped me throughout my journey, but they have also motivated me to want to do better as I continue to grow as a student and person.

— Sevannah Adorno will be attending SUNY Plattsburgh in the fall



Learn more about our program and apply at <http://www.btny.org/apply-as-a-student>

Deadline to apply: December 1, 2016 11:59pm EST

To learn more about our application process, visit our website or email us at: admissions@btny.org



BTNY is on the search for the **brightest 6th graders** in New York City! We are a 10-year program that focuses on getting hard-working and motivated students on the path towards college graduation. **We provide BTNY students with: FREE after-school and summer programming, tutoring, test prep, high school and college placement advising, and an AMAZING network of brilliant peers, tutors, teachers, and mentors!**

Think you're BTNY material? Use this checklist and find out!

Take the checklist below and fill in the blanks. When you're done, share it with your parents and guidance counselor to get your application started.

- I am currently in the 6th grade and motivated to work hard! My favorite subject is _____ because _____.
- I am a leader at my school and my community. Use the space below to explain:

- In 10 years, my goal is to graduate from a four-year college or university. After college, I want to be _____.
- After 8th grade, I want to go to a high school that will prepare me for college. I am excited to learn more about different **college-prep** options like parochial, independent day, and boarding schools.
- I am excited to become a part of a new community of other 6th grade students, tutors, teachers, and mentors to help me reach my goals.
- I am willing to make a 10-year commitment to follow my dreams of going to a college-prep high school and 4-year college. Tell us why below:

Student's Name _____ Class _____

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EARLY NOMINATION OPENS: OCTOBER 1ST – OCTOBER 31ST

- Students, parents, and schools may nominate eligible applicants that meet our admissions criteria online at <http://tinyurl.com/btnyearlynomination> to receive early access to our application. Once we receive the online nomination, eligible applicants will be invited to attend an informational session and begin our application.
- Early nominations will be accepted from October 1st – October 31st.

2016-2017 BTNY APPLICATION OPENS: NOVEMBER 1ST

As of November 1st, our application will be open to the public for interested candidates to apply at www.btny.org.

Our application process will consist of **three rounds**:

- Round 1 – Submit Part I of Application (*Biographical / Demographic, Academic, Family Information, including Household Income*)
- Round 2 – Submit Part II of Application (*includes Application Essay, Short Responses, Guardian Responses, Writing Sample, Teacher Recommendations*)
- Round 3 – Invitation to Interview

After each round, an applicant's submitted material will be reviewed and evaluated by BTNY staff and a decision will be made as to whether or not the applicant will advance to the next round. Our admission process is holistic, which means that all parts of an application will be considered before making a final decision.

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After Round 1, all submitted applications are reviewed and evaluated by BTNY staff. **Eligible Part I applicants will be invited to complete Part II by December 22, 2016.**

- The Part II Application is only available online, through a link e-mailed to eligible candidates.
- Part II requires:
 - Student short answer responses, an essay, and a 6th grade writing sample
 - Guardian short answer responses
 - Recommendations from current 6th grade ELA and Math teachers

APPLICATION NEXT STEPS

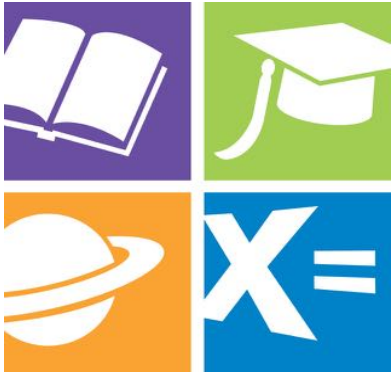
Please see below for the remainder of the admissions process. Be sure to check e-mail regularly; all notifications of next steps will be sent to the email address used to complete Part I.

- **January 13th**: Part II application deadline at 11:59pm EST
- **February 17th**: All Part II applicants are notified and finalists are invited to interview
- **March - April**: Finalists participate in an Admissions Interview Day
- **By May 1st**: All finalists are notified and the 100 6th graders are admitted to the program.

E-mail admissions@btny.org with any questions!

		Summer	School Year
Middle School	7 th	Pre-7th Summer Program: 6 weeks, June-August <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm Daily Literature, Math, Writing, Science classes 	7th School Year Program: September-May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30-6:30pm Tutoring, mechanics skills, math skills
	8 th	Pre-8th Summer Program: 6 weeks, June-August <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm Daily Literature, Math, Writing, Science classes SSAT / SHSAT Prep 	8th School Year Program: September-May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30-6:30pm Individualized high school application coaching Tutoring, SSAT / SSAT Prep
High School	9 th	Pre-9th Summer Program: 6 weeks, June-August <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm Daily Literature, Math, Writing, Science classes 	Super Saturdays: September-May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 Saturdays, 9:00am-3:00pm High School Academic and Social Skill Development Seminars: September-May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 Weeknights, 4:30-6:00pm College level discussions Monthly check-ins with personal High School Mentor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> September-June Focus on academics, extracurriculars, and personal development
	10 th	Community Service: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete a minimum of 30 hours of community service or volunteering 	Super Saturdays: September-May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 Saturdays, 9:00am-3:00pm Career Exploration and Professionalism Seminars: September-May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 Weeknights, 4:30-6:00pm College level discussions Monthly check-ins with personal High School Mentor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> September-June Focus on academics, extracurriculars, and personal development
	11 th	Internship or Professional Experience: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serve in a professional job or internship experience 	Super Saturdays: September-May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 Saturdays, 9:00am-3:00pm College Exploration and Application Preparation Test Prep: October-June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesdays, 4:30-6:00pm Monthly check-ins with personal High School Mentor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> September-June Focus on academics, extracurriculars, and personal development
	12 th	Pre-College Programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a program on a college campus 	Super Saturdays: September-May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 Saturdays, 9:00am-3:00pm College and Financial Aid Applications Application Coaching: July-June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekly Focus on applications, scholarships and financial aid Monthly check-ins with personal High School Mentor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> September-June Focus on academics, extracurriculars, and personal development
College	Freshmen	Pre-college preparation activities	Monthly remote check-ins with personal College Coach: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personalized support to succeed academically, financially, and socially In-Person programming during school breaks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Celebrations with cohort Career Mentor matches and activities
	Sophomore	Summer job, internship, or career program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BTNY support in placement and stipends BTNY career support curriculum and speaker series 	
	Junior		
	Senior		

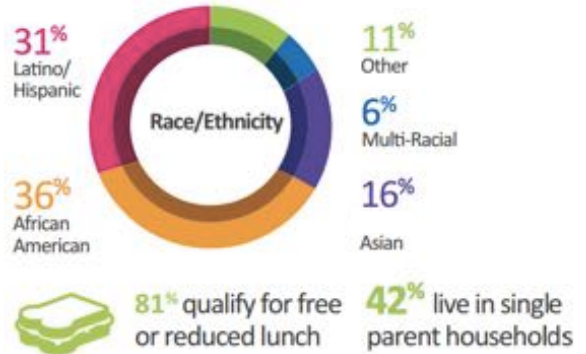
BREAKTHROUGH NEW YORK 2015-16 Program Profile



Founded in 1999, Breakthrough New York is a college access and success program whose mission is to help highly motivated, low income students earn admission to and successfully graduate from selective high schools and colleges. BTNY currently serves over 360 students through rigorous academic and career readiness programming and academic placement support.

“Attending a college like the University of Rochester has always been a dream, and with the support and resources that Breakthrough New York has provided for me since 6th grade, I am proud to call this campus my new home.”

-- Nahomi Pineda
University of Rochester, Class of 2020
Leman Manhattan Prep, Class of 2016



81% qualify for free or reduced lunch

42% live in single parent households

1st 94% first in their family to attend a 4-year college in the US

Average household income for a family of four **\$42,000**



MANHATTAN SITE
The Town School



BROOKLYN SITE
Bishop Loughlin High School



BRONX SITE
New York Junior Tennis League, Cary Leeds Center

THE 10-YEAR COMMITMENT

Breakthrough New York students are admitted through a very selective process and over their 10-years will spend more than 1,400 hours in afterschool and summer programming to ensure they achieve their goals of admission to college prep high schools and selective colleges, and ultimately college graduation and career placement. BTNY programming is founded on a few key elements:



ACADEMIC PREPARATION AND SUPPORT – Through academic instruction, tutoring and personalized support, BTNY helps to close the gaps in instruction and prepares students to thrive on rigorous high school and college campuses. BTNY maintains high academic standards for all students, requiring that no students earn a grade below 85%.



APPLICATION COACHING AND TEST PREP – For high school and college placement, each BTNY student is paired with an Application Coach who helps the student and family successfully navigate the application and financial aid processes for selective high schools and colleges. In addition to the individualized support, students also receive intensive test prep for all standardized entrance exams (including SSAT, SHSAT, ACT and SAT).



CAREER READINESS AND LEADERSHIP – Through interview preparation, internship placement, career exploration, site visits, and a speaker's series, students are exposed to different professional paths as early as 7th grade. The ultimate goal of the BTNY program is to create leaders who break the cycle of poverty in their families and affect positive change in their communities through careers that match their talents and interests.



FAMILY SUPPORT – Part of our admissions process entails interviewing families to ensure that they too are committed to education and college graduation. Though families may not know how to get their kids to the finish line, we have to know that our families are our partners in this endeavor. We think of it as serving families, not just students.



STUDENTS-TEACHING-STUDENTS – The Students-Teaching-Students model is a unique aspect of our success. Every year, hundreds of high school and college students apply to be teachers, tutors and positive role models for our students during our school year and summer programs. Through the dual mission model, BTNY is harnessing the influence of near-peer relationships and inspiring future generations of educators.

BTNY HIGH SCHOOL ACCEPTANCES [2011-2016]



Jayme Andres, Darrow School

Independent Boarding Schools

Buxton School
Choate Rosemary Hall
Church Farm School
Concord Academy
Darrow School
The Hotchkiss School

Kent School
The Masters School
Middlesex School
Northfield Mount Hermon
Peddie School
Phillips Andover Academy
Phillips Exeter Academy
St Mark's School
Stoneleigh-Burnham School
Stony Brook School
Tabor Academy
Thatcher School
The Berkshire School
Tilton School
Wilbraham & Monson Academy
Willston Northampton School

Independent Day Schools:

Avenues The World School
The Berkley Carroll School
Brooklyn Friends School
The Calhoun School
The Chapin School
Collegiate School

Convent of the Sacred Heart
Dalton School
The Dwight School
Friends Seminary
Grace Church School
Horace Mann School
Leman Manhattan Prep
Little Red School House & Elisabeth Irwin High School
The Nightingale-Bamford School
Packer Collegiate School
Poly Prep Country Day School
Riverdale Country School
Trevor Day School
Trinity School

Parochial Schools:

Aquinas High School
Cathedral High School
Cristo Rey Brooklyn
Cristo Rey New York
La Salle Academy
St Vincent Ferrer High School
Xavier High School

Selective Public Schools:

Bard High School Early College, Manhattan
Bard High School Early College, Queens
Baruch College High School
The Beacon School
Bedford Academy
Brooklyn College Academy
Brooklyn Prospect High School
Columbia Secondary School
Eleanor Roosevelt High School
Frank McCourt High School
Harvest Collegiate
Manhattan Center for Science and Mathematics
Manhattan Hunter/Science
Manhattan Village Academy
Midwood High School
Millennium Brooklyn
Millennium Manhattan
NEST +m
NYC iSchool
NYC Museum School
Pace High School

Park East High School
School of the Future
University Heights Secondary School
Young Women's Leadership

Specialized Public Schools:

The Brooklyn Latin School
Brooklyn Technical High School
Bronx High School of Science
High School for Math, Science and Engineering
Stuyvesant High School

BTNY COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES [2011-2016]

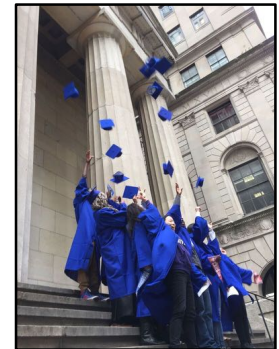
Adelphi University
Alfred University
Allegheny College
American University
Amherst College
Babson College
Bard College
Barnard College
Bates College
Beloit College
Bentley University
Berkeley College
Boise State
Boston College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University
Brown University
Bucknell University
Carleton College
Carnegie Mellon University
Carroll University
Clark University
Clarkson University

Colgate University
College of Mount Saint Vincent
Columbia University
Connecticut College
Cornell University
CUNY
CUNY Macaulay Honors
Davidson College
Denison University
DePauw University
Dickinson College
Drew University
Drexel University
Duke University
Eckerd College
Emory University
Fairfield University
Fordham University
Franklin & Marshall College
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Gettysburg College
Goucher College
Guilford College
Hamilton College

Haverford College
Hofstra University
Ithaca College
Johns Hopkins University
Lafayette College
Lehigh University
Loyola University
Macalester College
McDaniel College
Middlebury College
Morehouse College
Muhlenberg College
New York University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Oberlin College
Occidental College
The Ohio State University
Ohio Wesleyan University
Pace University
Penn State University
Princeton University
Quinnipiac University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College

Rochester Institute of Technology
Sarah Lawrence College
Scripps College
Seton Hall University
Skidmore College
Smith College
St John's University
St Joseph's University
SUNY
Susquehanna University
Syracuse University
Temple University
Trinity College
Tulane University
University of Chicago
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Hartford
University of New Hampshire
University of Maryland
University of Massachusetts
University of Miami
University of New Haven
University of North Carolina
University of Pennsylvania
University of Rhode Island

University of Rochester
University of Southern California
University of Virginia
Ursinus College
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Villanova University
Washington & Lee University
Wellesley College
Wesleyan University
Wheaton College
Williams College
Yale University



2015-16 BTNY HIGHLIGHTS

- + 100% of students were placed at college prep high schools and selective four-year colleges.
- + Our students explored different career paths by visiting over 16 sites including Capital One, Citi, Google, and Oppenheimer Funds. Our students gained internships at Einstein Medical Center Research Lab, New York City Mayor's Office, In Bev / Anheuser Busch, The Town School, etc.
- + Our students earned over \$2.2 Million in scholarships for high schools and college, including the QuestBridge College Match and the Jack Kent Cooke Young Scholars Program.
- + In July, BTNY students visited the White House for the First Lady's Reach Higher Conference.

Each year, we hire hundreds of High School and College students to intern with BTNY as Teaching Fellows, tutors and mentors. For more information, please visit our website at btny.org/internships

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