The Crossroads Program & Summer Opportunities with Aim High at MA

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The Crossroads & Aim High Programs at MA

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The Crossroads Program was founded at MA in 2001 as a way for MA to connect to the larger San Rafael community and to address issues of educational equity.

During the school year, Crossroads provides academic support and enrichment opportunities for forty low-income students in 7th and 8th grades at Venetia Valley and Davidson Middle Schools.
MA Students as Crossroads Tutors

Crossroads also provides the unique opportunity for MA students to take on leadership roles as tutors and teachers for our middle school students.

During the school year MA students have the opportunity to join Crossroads as tutors and go to the middle schools on Tuesday or Thursday afternoons for after school tutoring sessions.
MA Students as Crossroads Fellows

MA students can also join Crossroads as Fellows. Fellows have the opportunity to develop and teach enrichment classes to middle school students. They teach their class once a week at MA on Wednesday afternoons. In preparation for teaching a class, Fellows learn about lesson planning, classroom management, and techniques for engaging students in their lessons.
Our Partnership with Aim High

Aim High has been a leader in creating summer learning experiences that focus on closing the achievement gap for more than 30 years across the Bay Area.

In 2009 we partnered with Aim High to expand and improve our summer programming for middle school students in the San Rafael community.

- **Crossroads Summer Program**
  - 35 students

- **Aim High Summer Program**
  - 120 students!

- **DMS and VV Students**
- **Canal Alliance Students**
- **Crossroads Students**
Aim High Overview

- Five week academic and enrichment experience for rising 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th graders

- The Aim High staff is made up of a fabulous group of professional educators, college interns, high school interns, and high school volunteers!
How MA Students Can Get Involved!

Rising 9th & 10th graders - High School Volunteers (unpaid)

Rising 11th & 12 graders - High School Interns (paid)

2018 Summer Program Dates: June 18th - July 27th (six weeks)

Hours: Approximately 8:30 am - 3:30 pm
What will a High School Intern or Volunteer Do?

- Attend and participate in all Aim High MA community meetings & assemblies
- Be part of a teaching team or support teaching teams with lesson planning and teaching
- Support or co-lead enrichment activities (sports and arts)
- Eat lunch with students and participate in and lead special events (spirit days, olympics, etc.)
- Attend field trips with students
- Assist with office and campus organization
- Develop leadership & collaboration skills
- Have fun!
Aim High has minted and molded me as an educator. I found a new form of patience that I didn’t know existed in me, and my faith in young people has multiplied tenfold. The resilience, strength, sensitivity, and intelligence that my students demonstrate gives me hope for a better world.

Gabe, Aim High teacher

At Aim High, teachers make our success possible. We provide summer employment.
Thank you!

Questions?