



Open Meadow is planning a reconfiguration of its two high school programs to create a combined, single program for Fall 2009 that offers the best of both to all of our students. Over the last decade we have been on a long and steady path toward connecting our students to effective post-secondary options. The proposed reconfiguration advances our mission by offering more options to our students. It strengthens our ability to deliver our advocate programs and our project-based learning opportunities to all of our high school students. Last year 82% of our graduates passed college classes as part of their high school experience. This year we aim to have 84%, and next year, we plan to do better still. We accept the challenge presented by the 21<sup>st</sup> century economy to strengthen our high school programs. We intend to accelerate the learning of students who have been disconnected from traditional educational settings and continue to increase the number of students who leave Open Meadow and continue on to college, advanced training, and/or career-based employment.

We believe that we can do this—even at a time when resources are limited.

As part of our reconfiguration effort we intend to open up a variety of [positions](#) to meet this need in the coming months. Stay tuned.

During this period when we are forging a new trail we ask our community to continue its generous support of Open Meadow. Partnering with our Career Connections program, volunteering for Step Up, serving as a mentor to our high school students, and supporting us financially are just a few ways to get involved. Please [contact us](#) if you would like to learn about additional ways to be involved in our programming and our organization.

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