



## HYDE LEADERSHIP CHARTER SCHOOL



### About Hyde Leadership Charter School

Hyde Leadership Charter School is a public, K-12, college-preparatory school serving nearly 1,000 students in Hunts Point, the highest-risk community for children in New York City located in the poorest congressional district in the United States. Hyde's mission is to develop the deeper character and unique potential of each student, and with excellent teachers, a dedicated Family Education Department, and distinct character curriculum, the school is a remarkable success. In a neighborhood where only 34% of students graduate from high school on time, on average over 92% of Hyde students graduate from high school each year.

### Join Our Mission

Hyde is seeking dedicated, ambitious, service-oriented young professionals to serve on its Associate Board. The Hyde Associate Board is comprised of diverse, committed individuals building their careers in the New York area and sharing a passion for educational equity. They plan activities, volunteer, and coordinate fundraising events to support the students, families, and teachers at Hyde Leadership Charter School in the South Bronx.

### Position Description

Members of the Hyde Associate Board are elected based on demonstrated leadership experience, a history of collaboration and team building, and personal values that align with the school's mission. One-year appointments are made in June for the school's Fiscal Year beginning on July 1<sup>st</sup>, although applications are also accepted throughout the year. Upon election, Hyde Associate Board members are expected to:

- ❖ Attend and participate (in person or by telephone) in up to 10 scheduled meetings each year
- ❖ Collaboratively plan, attend, and recruit for fundraising and volunteer events
- ❖ Visit the Hyde K-12 campus in the Bronx at least once during the year
- ❖ Contribute to the Associate Board's fundraising goals by making personal contributions and inviting others to support the school

### Suggested Additional Activities for Board Aspirants

The Hyde Associate Board can also be a pipeline for individuals hoping to one day serve on the Hyde Board of Trustees, or similar groups in New York City. Hyde Associate Board members interested in pursuing experiences and cultivating skills that will add value to non-profit boards may choose to also engage in the following optional activities:

- ❖ Attend Hyde Board of Trustee meetings, held monthly in the Bronx
- ❖ Actively recruit individual, corporate, and foundation donors to support Hyde's programs



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- ❖ Attend Open House events at Hyde Leadership Charter School
- ❖ Host friend raiser gatherings to increase public awareness and to recruit supporters to Hyde Leadership Charter School

### Organization

The Hyde Associate Board is led by 2 Co-Chairs who are elected annually by Hyde Associate Board members. The committee also includes up to 9 open committee positions and 3 Hyde faculty positions. Applications for open positions are reviewed throughout the year, and Associate Board member terms are one year beginning on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Application Process

Persons interested in applying to the Hyde Associate Board must submit an application to Valarie Hunsinger, Hyde's Director of Development and Communications. Applications should be sent via email to [vhunsinger@hydebronxny.org](mailto:vhunsinger@hydebronxny.org) and include:

- ❖ An updated resume
- ❖ Written responses to the following questions (up to 200 words each):
  - Why are you interested in joining the Hyde Associate Board?
  - What life experiences, skills, mindsets, or other assets do you bring to the Hyde Associate Board that can further our work and Hyde's mission?
  - What goals do you have for the Hyde Associate Board in the coming year and what actions will you take to reach them?

Thank you very much for considering supporting Hyde Leadership Charter School and the work of the Hyde Associate Board.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Valarie Hunsinger". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Valarie Hunsinger  
Director of Development and Communications