



Corporate Systems AdvancED Accreditation

For over 35 years, Rite of Passage, has operated programs that encourage the academic achievement of our students through an Instructional Framework which emphasizes relationships, relevance, rigor and rituals. This year, Rite of Passage augmented the educational services offered in our schools across the United States by joining a global network of over 34,000 schools and systems by receiving accreditation through AdvancED. Our Corporate Systems Accreditation demonstrates our commitment to raising student achievement, providing a safe and enriching learning environment, and improving the lives of youth.

The AdvancED accreditation process involves three ongoing components: 1) meeting high quality standards; 2) implementing a continuous process of improvement; and 3) engaging in quality assurance through internal and external review. ROP has been awarded a five-year accreditation term with regular monitoring of progress and reporting.

“Corporation Accreditation as conferred by the AdvancED Accreditation Commission provides Rite of Passage, Inc. a nationally-recognized mark of quality for our corporation,” shared Tracy Bennett-Joseph, ROP Superintendent. “It demonstrates to our parents, students and stakeholders our commitment to excellence, our openness to external review and feedback and our desire to be the best we can be on behalf of the students we serve.”

Dr. Mark Elgart, President/CEO of AdvancED, stated, “Corporation Accreditation is a rigorous process that focuses the entire corporation on the primary goal of creating lifelong learners. Rite of Passage, Inc. is to be commended for engaging in this process and demonstrating a commitment to continuous improvement.”

About AdvancED

Dedicated to advancing excellence in education through accreditation, research and professional services, AdvancED is the world's largest education community, serving and engaging 30,000 public and private schools and school systems in more than 70 countries and serving over 16 million students. AdvancED is the parent organization of the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI), Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC) and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI).