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Uplift Education Peak Preparatory Ranked #66 Nationally by *U.S. News* *Gold Medal Ranking adds to previous honors for notable high school*

Dallas, Texas (May 15, 2012) [Uplift Education's](#) Peak Preparatory in East Dallas has been named among the top 100 high schools in America in [U.S. News' ranking of best high schools](#), with a ranking of #66 nationally. The high school also was ranked #9 among all high schools in Texas, and #15 among charter schools nationwide.

The *U.S. News* ranking joins other accolades for Uplift Peak Preparatory, including rating among the nation's top public 20 high schools by the [Washington Post](#) and a recent National Excellence in Urban Education Award. The school is rated *Exemplary* by the Texas Education Agency.

"We are so proud that the students, teachers and administration at [Peak Preparatory](#) continue to receive recognition," said Uplift Education CEO [Yasmin Bhatia](#). She added, "We are very pleased that this school in East Dallas continues to be a positive addition to the community."

U.S. News released the rankings online in conjunction with *The Huffington Post* and collaborated with Washington, D.C.-based American Institutes for Research, which implemented *U.S. News*' methodology.

Schools were analyzed on student-teacher ratios, students' performance on state assessments, and college readiness. The student-teacher ratio at Uplift Peak Preparatory was listed as 12:1, exceeding the stated national average of 17:1.

About Uplift Education:

Uplift Education is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization operating a network of 20 tuition-free, college preparatory, public charter schools in Dallas, Arlington and Irving. Its schools provide a rigorous, multidisciplinary curriculum, with an emphasis on college preparation – **100% of graduates are accepted to college**. Uplift Education currently educates more than 5,700 students, with the majority being low-income and minority students who will be the first in their family to attend college. For more information, visit uplifteducation.org or facebook.com/uplifteducation.

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