## Danbury Prospect Charter School the First Public Charter School to Serve Danbury, Connecticut

## **ABSTRACT**

**Project Description:** Prospect Schools, Inc. is an emerging Charter Management Organization (CMO) committed to preparing a diverse student body to have a positive impact on society and life-long love of learning. During the 2017-18 school year, our four existing schools, under the umbrella of Brooklyn Prospect Charter School served 1,300 students across Brooklyn, New York. Prospect Schools is seeking to replicate and expand our successful academic model to open Danbury Prospect Charter School to become the first charter school in Danbury, Connecticut. Danbury Prospect Charter School will be a 6-12 college preparatory community were excellent teachers will prepare a diverse student body to have a positive impact on society and a lifelong passion for learning.

Goals: (1) To increase the number of students with access to high quality schools of choice through the expansion and replication of Prospect Schools; and (2) provide to the Danbury community an academically rigorous grades 6-12, college preparatory education, guided by the principles of the International Baccalaureate Program in a student centered environment with the goal of graduating 100% of students college ready.

**Expected Outcomes:** By the end of this grant period Prospect Schools' expected outcomes are to increase enrollment at our schools by 38% and using a data driven approach to education and the principles of the International Baccalaureate program to improve our existing academic model to significantly increase student achievement, particularly for educationally disadvantaged students, specifically ELL students to surpass district and statewide peers and prepare all student to enter the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program and to graduate college ready.