

ATE 2024 Denver Summer Conference Give Back to Education Program School

East High School, <https://east.dpsk12.org/>, is a historical public high school located in the City Park neighborhood on the east side of Denver, CO. Founded in 1875, East High School was the first high school in Denver and one of the four original high schools in Denver. The current facility was opened in 1924, declared an official Denver Historical Landmark by the Denver Landmark Commission the Denver City Council in 1991, and added to the U.S. National Register of Historic Places in 2006.

East High School serves 2,589 students enrolled in grades 9-12; their nickname is the Angels. A highly rated, public school, East High School is one of 207 schools in DPS and serves 88,235 students with a 79% high school graduation rate. The opening page on the DPS website states: “We’re focused on building a system that’s designed to help every student thrive. We’re re-focusing our efforts where they matter most: on creating classrooms that are vibrant centers of learning, where caring teachers are engaging their students in rigorous, culturally responsive experiences in order to lift all students toward a bright horizon.”

The East High School Statement of Purpose emphasizes: “At Denver East, our caring community of unique individuals is driven by our great strength: our diversity. Academic, artistic, and cultural learning experiences develop the whole person and propel every Angel to success in learning and in life.” The school principal, Terita Walker, adds: My leadership purpose is to foster a community that instills a passion for learning, inspires creativity, encourages collaboration, expects and rewards critical thinking, and accepts responsibility for social justice.”

Join your ATE colleagues in supporting East High School, a local school within the Denver community that offers innovative programs, partners with university teacher preparation programs, and aligns with the mission of ATE.

