



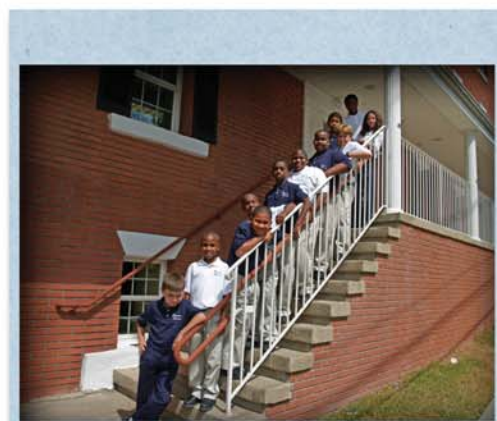
StreetTalk

INSPIRE A STUDENT. CREATE A FUTURE. NASS Changes Name to StreetSchool Network™

As of Sept. 15, 2008 the National Association of Street Schools will be known as , StreetSchool Network™. The new logo extends the street to the stars, which exemplifies what happens in the lives of students who have the privilege of attending our schools. Our new tagline will be, "Inspire a Student. Create a Future." We give our students a future by inspiring them and getting involved in supporting all aspects of their development; academic, personal, social, career and spiritual/moral development.

Each year more than 1.23M students drop-out of U.S. schools, that's 7,000 students each day whose progress toward self-sufficiency is interrupted. StreetSchool Network™ schools will continue to seek out struggling students in drop-out recovery and prevention.

See our new identity unfold at: www.streetschoolnetwork.org



First day at Pathways
Academy, Danbury, CT

NEW STREETSCHOOLS OPEN

This month, two new member schools will open their doors in Syracuse, NY and Danbury, CT. According to V.P. of Education, Todd Goble, "We are excited about these new schools starting up in areas of such critical need. This is especially true as both schools are truly community efforts."

Pathways Academy in Danbury will target minority boys and Eagle Wings Academy in Syracuse will focus on struggling students in grades K-9. Eagle Wings Academy is starting "to equip and support students to reach their God-given potential and break free from the cycle of generational and spiritual poverty".

Goble went on to say, "with the large number of kids we are seeing leave the system between middle school and high school, these schools will be of great service to their communities and districts."

TILLAPAUGH RECEIVES HONORARY DOCTORATE

On Saturday, Aug. 16, 2008 Tom Tillapaugh, founder of Denver Street School and NASS (now StreetSchool Network™), was awarded an honorary doctorate from American Pathways University (APU.) According to APU President, Dr. Larry Marlatt, "This is an opportunity for us to provide recognition to the work of the Street School Movement in stemming the drop-out crisis and Tillapaugh's efforts to lead that work over the past 23 years. He is more than deserving."

American Pathways University provides a program of undergraduate (A.A. and B.A.) higher education that is accessible, affordable, and facilitates immediate and long-term changes in thinking.



STUDENTS HOPEFUL ABOUT SCHOOL

"Denver Street School is helping me to graduate sooner than I would have at my public school. I am able to make goals and plans for my future that seemed impossible before my time here." (Gonzales, 2008)



"I have two children and am living on my own, so the daycare at the Denver Street School is very helpful. In fact, I would not be in school right now if I did not have a place for my children to be cared for. The trustworthy staff and teachers create an environment where I am able to learn comfortably. I thought about just getting my GED, but felt encouraged to finish my high school diploma through the Street School instead. I want to better myself so that I can provide a bright future for my children. When they get to their high school years, I want them to finish. I figure that if I can graduate in spite of my situation, then they will be able to also have no excuses." (Gomez, 2008)