

LONGTIME REGIS MEN'S BASKETBALL COACH

## LONNIE PORTER

founded the Lonnie Porter Leadership Academy in 1996.

FORMER NBA STAR AND DENVER NATIVE

## CHAUNCEY BILLUPS

partnered with Coach Porter in 2006. The program was renamed the Porter-Billups Leadership Academy.

## GET TO KNOW



### BACKGROUND:

Students enroll in the three-week summer program in fourth or fifth grade and continue every summer through their junior year in high school. Program graduates who qualify for admission to Regis University will be eligible to **receive a scholarship to Regis** that covers tuition and fees.



### MISSION:

The Academy **helps at-risk youth** who have academic and leadership potential to **successfully graduate from high school and attend college.**



**33 ACADEMY ALUMNI** HAVE GRADUATED FROM REGIS



**202 ACADEMY ALUMNI** since 1996

Approximate cost to send one student to the Academy for one year:

**\$1,500**

Cost to the student:

**\$0**

**SEVEN**

Consecutive years a student must attend the Academy to be eligible for a Regis scholarship.

**99%**

of Academy students graduated from high school on time since the first class in 2002.

### THE ACADEMY BEGAN IN 1996

*22 students enrolled the first year*

**2020**

215 students enrolled

**12 high school seniors graduated from the Academy**

### FUNDING:

The Academy is **supported by generous donors** and Regis University.

**\$4.7 million**

Total **grants and scholarships** for PBLA alumni to attend Regis University since the first class in 2002.

**55%**

of college bound students graduate from college

According to **Megan Coffey Parker**, 2005 PBLA graduate,

**"The Porter-Billups Leadership Academy fostered my love for learning and instilled in me the skills necessary to lead.** In elementary school I viewed myself as a college student, which impacted the choices I made through high school. As a current teacher with two degrees from Regis [BA '09 and MA '11], **I truly value the leadership skills and love of learning that I developed** at the Academy."

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