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#### NEWS RELEASE

SAN ANTONIO-BASED INSPIRE ACADEMIES SELECTED TO PRESENT AT NATIONAL CHARTER SCHOOL CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, DC

**SAN ANTONIO (June 14, 2022)** – The Inspire Academies public charter district, operated by the nonprofit BRAINATION, Inc. in San Antonio, has been selected as one of only 12 organizations across the country to present a workshop at the National Charter Schools Conference in Washington, DC, June 19-22, 2022. Inspire Academies educators will lead this workshop on the district's innovative inquiry-learning model. Participating school leaders will benefit from the model's unique ability to reengage students facing numerous challenges stemming from the pandemic.

"Inquiry learning is a natural way of learning. Rather than get in the way of a child's intrinsic impulse to wonder and question, we are facilitating authentic scenarios that inspire students to dig in, create, and share what they discover," said Inspire Academies Assistant Superintendent Justin Johnston. "Students learn how to connect their individual agency with the urgency of the world's challenges. This ensures engagement and relevance in their learning."

For over 20 years, Inspire Academies has been serving children facing tremendous challenges, often enrolling in its Texas campuses from across the country, living in foster homes, residential treatment centers, juvenile detention centers, and the community. Each child, in any setting, is served by a learning model designed to inspire curiosity. When this curiosity is supported by essential skills, academic opportunities, and a loving school community, children gain the confidence to wholeheartedly engage with the world and uncover their greatness.

"The inquiry-based learning method challenges our students to think creatively and independently, often resulting in real-life solutions," said Denise Valuk, parent of a 7th and a 9th grader attending Inspire Academies . "The environment allows kids to interact and support each other as a community and fosters relationships. Anne Frank Inspire Academy is not simply another school; it is a community."

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More information about the 2022 National Charter Schools Conference and the National Alliance for Public Charter Schools can be found at https://ncsc.publiccharters.org.

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## About INSPIRE ACADEMIES

Inspire Academies is a public charter district comprised of community-based, residential, and partnership schools spread across seven Central and South Texas campuses and operated by the nonprofit BRAINATION, Inc, headquartered in San Antonio, Texas. Inspire Academies' innovative learning methods address each campus's unique purpose, fulfilling its mission by inspiring every student to belong, find joy, and be great. Anne Frank Inspire Academy (AFIA), the organization's flagship public charter school, offers K-12 education with a modernized curriculum in a contemporary setting. The residential and partnership schools serve at-risk students and prepare them to successfully reintegrate into traditional schools and society. To learn more about Inspire Academies and BRAINATION, Inc., visit BRAINATION.net or follow on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn @BRAINATIONInc.

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