**The Las Américas ASPIRA Academy (LAAA)**

The Las Américas ASPIRA Academy (LAAA) is the direct outgrowth of the mission of ASPIRA of Delaware, Inc., an associate office of the national ASPIRA Association.  ASPIRA, since its start with ASPIRA New York, has had over fifty years of experience creating and implementing formal and informal education programs that build up youth self-esteem, cultural awareness, and leadership abilities.  ASPIRA associate offices successfully operate eleven charter schools in 3 cities:  Philadelphia, Miami and Chicago.  Originally founded as a Puerto-Rican organization, ASPIRA Associate Offices in the 6 states of Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Florida and Illinois and the commonwealth of Puerto Rico now serve a diverse population of youth, with the specific mission to empower the Puerto Rican and Latino community through advocacy and the education and leadership development of its youth.

Las Américas ASPIRA Academy opened its doors in August 2011 with just over 300 students in grades K-5.  Currently, we have over 700 students in grades K-8. Our school is located at 326 Ruthar Drive in Newark, Delaware.

**Mission**: To educate and empower each student to realize their full potential and positively impact their communities.

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