KIPP DC
PICS Internship, 2020

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What is KIPP DC?

- Network of 18 high-performing public charter schools in Washington, D.C.
- Educates students from the city’s most educationally underserved communities
- Commitment to educational equity, increasing access to high quality education for all and improving outcomes for students
Projects with the Data Team

- Student Information Systems Team
- Responsible for managing student data across KIPP DC schools
- Supported SIS team with end of year report cards, enrolling new students, creating schedules for the upcoming school year, and household matching
Projects with the Data Team

- Data Analyst Team
- Analyzing student scores from various standardized tests, which are a large component of how school performance is assessed in DC
- Using student scores and demographic data in Excel to create data visualizations in Tableau
Project Results

- Created end of year report cards for students at five schools
- Helped complete enrollment process for new students
- Entered class schedules for Early Childhood schools
- Created spreadsheets for school leaders tracking which students have siblings at other KIPP DC schools
- Learned new data analysis skills in Excel and Tableau
- Contributed to analysis on student outcomes on standardized tests and College & Career Readiness benchmarks
Key Takeaways

● Gained new data analysis skills

● Learned about how student data is managed & organized, and the behind the scenes data work that's critical for schools to operate

● Have a deeper understanding of the role of data in assessing school performance and student achievement, and how the metrics used to measure performance may not represent the full picture of how well a school is educating its students
Overall

- Great learning experience
- Enjoyed exploring the intersection between data and education/non-profit work
- Lots of opportunities to talk with other KIPP DC employees about their work and professional path
- Reaffirmed my desire to pursue a career in education & exposed me to different career paths within the field