



Dr. Kristin Droege, Founding Executive Director, Citizens of the World Kansas City

Dr. Kristin Droege began her work as Founding Executive Director on July 1, 2015, having been heavily involved in the launch of CWC Kansas City in the months preceding her start date.

In 2008, Kristin became the founding principal at Larchmont Charter School - West Hollywood (LCW) growing the school to K-8th grade, and overseeing the merger with the Larchmont Charter School network. In 2013 Kristin was appointed Head of K-8 for Larchmont Charter Schools, overseeing instruction for 1,100 students across four campuses. She graduated from Duke University and holds a Masters and Ph.D. in Educational Psychology from the University of California - Los Angeles. The Larchmont network is one of the highest performing public schools in Los Angeles, with LCW receiving an Academic Performance Index (API) score of 932 in 2013, compared to a district wide score of 750 and statewide score of 790. The API includes the results of state assessments and generates an overall score.

In 1999, Kristin and a colleague founded Mountain View Montessori School in Victorville, CA, where she negotiated the governance structure with the district, served as head of curriculum and developed and implemented a teacher evaluation system.

Kristin has been a professional educator for more than 20 years, teaching elementary, undergraduate and graduate students, as well as serving in administration.