

Ann Rubenstein Tisch

Ann Rubenstein Tisch is the Founder and creator of The Young Women's Leadership Schools, a groundbreaking network of all-girls public school. There are currently four schools in New York City, one in Philadelphia, plus affiliates in Chicago, Dallas and Austin, Texas.

Shortly after she opened the East Harlem School, Ms. Tisch created a college guidance program called CollegeBound. It places specially trained, full-time college counselors in schools and boasts amazing results. Since its first graduating class, the East Harlem School has had a 100 percent graduation rate and acceptance rate into four-year colleges. The average financial aid package is about \$30,000 per student for four years. CollegeBound has been replicated and is now in several schools in the New York City area.

A native of Kansas City, Missouri, Ms. Rubenstein began a 19-year career in broadcast journalism at WIBW-TV in Topeka, Kansas. She then moved to WCOO-TV in Minneapolis, Minnesota and later joining NBC Network News as a National Correspondent.

At NBC, Ms. Rubenstein worked on several magazine shows, covering political, medical, and human interest stories. She also served as a substitute anchor on the "Today Show" and "NBC at Sunrise."

As a National Correspondent, Ms. Rubenstein developed a strong interest in educational issues. After covering dozens of education stories for the network, as well as reading the studying data on single sex-education, she conceived the idea of an all-girls public school. In 1996, with the help of the Center for Educational Innovation and the unanimous approval of the New York City Board of Education, Ms. Tisch turned her idea into a reality and opened The Young Women's Leadership School of East Harlem.

Ms. Tisch was educated at Washington University in St. Louis where she graduated Suma Cum Laude with a degree in Psychology and Sociology. She currently serves as a Trustee on the Board of Washington University.

She also serves on the Dean's Council of The New York University Tisch School for the Arts and is a Trustee of the Center for Educational Innovation. She is currently consulting with many school districts and parent groups across the country about creating schools similar to The Young Women's Leadership School.

Ann Rubenstein Tisch is married to Andrew H. Tisch. They have two children and reside in New York City.