

## What to Expect at Sac High for 2018-2019

In last few months, SHPS school leaders have been studying, researching and visiting the top charter networks around the country. What we learned was that Sac High was one of the largest urban comprehensive charter high schools in the country and that few others had tried to do what we were doing. Most of the top schools had about half the student population of Sac High, and while some had sustained leadership longer, they did not offer options for students to compete in activities like athletics. This fall, we will embark on our next evolution. The network will begin a transformation that we believe will help us reach our long-term vision of being one of the top urban TK-12 charter networks in the country.

While we want to maintain our status as a comprehensive high school, we know that it has been challenging to find and retain one leader to operate the entire school. In an effort to attack these issues, next year Sac High will provide 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy for all incoming freshman. The Academy will be run by a team that is specifically focused on ensuring 9<sup>th</sup> graders start their high school experience off on the right foot. We also have developed a new leadership structure for 10-12 grades to ensure that both students and staff have the support and accountability needed to be successful.

### 10th-12th Grade Leadership



**Christina Smith**

*Site Lead*

We are so excited to announce that Christina Smith former leader of Oak Park Prep will be joining the Sac High Dragons this year as the Site Lead for grades 10-12. We have seen some of the tremendous successes Christina has had at the middle school level in terms of academic achievement, teacher management, and schoolwide culture and believe that Christina will make a very positive addition to the Dragon Team!

### What will it look like to be a scholar in 10th-12 grade?

Our scholars in grades 10th-12th grade will take all necessary A-G requirements. Scholars will participate in rigorous, college-preparatory courses that are intended to prepare students for college by holding all scholars to high expectations, providing high quality instruction and providing scholars with the support they need to reach their personal best.

## 9th Grade Leadership



**Priya Singh**

*Site Lead*

For the 2018-2019 school year we will be launching our very own 9th grade academy with Priya Singh serving as the Site Lead who will run the day-to-day of the program and ensure strong culture and smooth operations for the 9th grade team. Priya comes from PS7 Middle School and has been a HOPEster for five years! She has demonstrated success in so many areas including leading teachers to have incredibly high student achievement results, developing and maintaining positive school-wide culture and ensuring smooth operations so that the focus of the school day can remain on the most important thing- student learning.

### **What is 9th Grade Academy?**

At the start of the 2018-19 school year, all incoming 9th grade scholars at Sacramento Charter High School will enter into the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy. The 9th Grade Academy is a rigorous college-preparatory program intended to support our scholars in their transition from middle school to high school.

### **What will it look like to be a scholar in the 9th grade academy?**

In the 9th Grade Academy, scholars will take all necessary A-G requirements for freshman scholars including Geometry or Algebra, English Language Arts, Biology, History, Art and Physical Education. In addition to these core classes, your scholar will participate in an Advisory program and will have access to tutoring three days a week. All scholars will have the opportunity to participate in the school-wide events as well as additional activities that will be planned to help develop a positive culture for our 9th graders.