

## **St. HOPE Public Schools Courses of Study Policy**

The Board of Directors recognizes that a well-articulated sequence of courses fosters academic progress and provides for the best possible use of instructional time. St HOPE Public School's course of study shall provide students with opportunities to attain the skills, knowledge, and abilities they need to be successful in school, college, and/or the workplace.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish processes for ensuring the articulation of courses across grade levels. The sequence of courses shall be designed to ensure that each course provides adequate preparation for the next course in the sequence, avoids significant duplication of content, and allows for reinforcement and progression in the subject matter.

### **Elementary Grades**

SHPS shall adopt a course of study for elementary grades that sufficiently prepares students for the secondary school course of study.

### **Secondary Grades**

The course of study for high school students shall include instruction in skills and knowledge for adult life, career technical training, and a timely opportunity for all otherwise qualified students to enroll, within four years before graduation, in each course necessary to fulfill the requirements and prerequisites for admission to California public colleges and universities. (*Education Code 51224, 51228*)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a process by which courses are submitted to the University of California (UC) for review and certification in order to meet university admission criteria. He/she shall maintain an accurate list of all current district high school courses that have been so certified and shall ensure that the list is provided annually to each student in grades 9-12 and that updated lists are made readily available. (*Education Code 66204*)

### **Processing Complaints of Discrimination, Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying**

No course or activity will be created, labeled, or scheduled in a way which results in the separation of students on the basis of a student's actual or perceived age, ancestry, ethnicity, actual or potential parental, pregnancy, family or marital status that treats students differently on the basis of sex, lactation status, housing or homeless status, color, mental or physical disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sex, sexual orientation, genetic information, immigration status, medical information, nationality, race, religion, or association with a person or a group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. (5 CCR § 4940[d])

SHPS has adopted a process for receiving complaints of and investigating complaints of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on the above listed actual or perceived characteristics. The "St. HOPE Public Schools Uniform Complaint Procedures" is available upon request.

SHPS has designated the below compliance officer. The compliance officer shall receive and investigate complaints and ensure compliance with the law. The Superintendent/CEO may appoint a designee to conduct the investigation.

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