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Advanced Placement Support Program for Students

Oak Park & River Forest High School

Huskie Scholar Academy (HSA)

Huskie Scholar Academy's mission is to increase the number of historically underrepresented students who successfully complete Advanced Placement courses at OPRFHS.

Research and experience from other programs suggest the following supports and topics should be included in the Academy:

- developing a sense of belonging and community within classes, the program, and the school
- reducing microaggressions and stereotype threat
- improving study skills and test taking strategies
- utilize both peer and adult mentors and tutors
- engage families and the broader OPRF community in support

Huskie Scholar Academy will be led by a leadership board consisting of the Assistant Principal for Instruction, the Assistant Principal for Student Services, the Motivational Mentorship Program Coordinator, the Outreach Coordinator, three students, three teachers, three school counselors, a school social worker, and three parents/community members.

Timeline of Activities

Spring 2017

- Family kick off event
 - Invitation to summer school AP bridge
 - Overview of Huskie Scholar Academy
 - Promote MSAN After Hours
 - Develop community supports
- Identify current AP students who will commit to being a leader in HSA the following year
- Develop current student experience videos
- OPRFHS AP Teachers visit another EOS school
- Begin relationship building between OPRF AP teachers and first time AP students

Summer 2017

- AP Bridge 1 and AP Bridge 2 offered in Summer School
- Community building retreat with students enrolled in specific courses and the teacher who will be leading the class

Fall 2017

- Full implementation

Program Structure

Huskie Scholar Academy will provide the following support and programming:

- Quarterly meetings during lunch periods
 - Kickoff meeting in August
 - Invitation meeting in October
 - Focusing and AP Registration meeting in March
 - Celebration and Welcome new members meeting in May
- Weekly lunch meetings for the first six weeks of school
- Breakfast Club & Exam Prep Sessions
 - Peer and adult tutors and mentors before school two days a week
- After Hours & Exam Prep Sessions
 - Peer and adult tutors and mentors after school two days a week
- Saturday School & Exam Prep Sessions
 - Peer and adult tutors and mentors on Saturday mornings
- AP Bridge 1
 - Summer school course for incoming 9th grade students
- AP Bridge 2
 - Summer school course for incoming 10th & 11th grade students
- Family kickoff and celebration meetings

Subcommittees

- Outreach and Recruitment
 - Increase representation of historically underrepresented students in honors, honors option, and AP courses
- Academic Supports
 - Track student success
 - Implement effective academic support programs
- Social Supports
 - Consider placing students in “family” groups for a more personalized experience
- College and Career Support
 - Plan and support targeted college and career support in conjunction with the student support division

Tutors

- Peer tutors will be recruited and asked to complete a peer tutoring certification program administered by the Motivational Mentorship Program Coordinator.
- Community tutors and mentors will be recruited and coordinated by the Outreach Coordinator.
- Teacher tutors will be recruited and managed by the Assistant Principal for Instruction.

Success Metrics

- To achieve parity, by racial and gender demographic categories in the following:
 - Percentage of students enrolled in honors and AP courses
 - Grades earned
 - AP Exams taken
 - AP Exam scores
 - School connectedness and belonging measures
- Student academic and social performance will be tracked weekly and reviewed by the leadership board
- Struggling students will receive individual invitations to obtain additional support

Proposed Budget

Activity	Budget
Quarterly meetings during lunch periods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kickoff meeting in August ● Invitation meeting in October ● Focusing and AP Registration meeting in March ● Celebration and Welcome new members meeting in May 	Food and small decorations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● \$10 per person per meeting ● 200 attendees per meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ students/teachers/committee ● 4 meetings TOTAL = \$8000
Weekly lunch meetings for the first 6 weeks of school	Food--just dessert <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● \$1 per person ● 200 attendees per meeting ● 6 meetings TOTAL = \$1200
Breakfast Club & Exam Prep Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Peer and adult tutors and mentors before school two days a week 	Food--light breakfast <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● \$2 per person ● 20 attendees per meeting ● 60 meetings TOTAL = \$2400
After Hours & Exam Prep Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Peer and adult tutors and mentors after school two days a week 	Food--light snacks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● \$1 per person ● 30 attendees per meeting ● 60 meetings TOTAL = \$1800
AP Bridge 1	Tuition for FRL students

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer school course for incoming 9th grade students 	
<p>AP Bridge 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer school course for incoming 10th & 11th grade students 	<p>Tuition for FRL students</p>
<p>Family kickoff and celebration meetings (August and May)</p>	<p>Food and small decorations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$10 per person per meeting • 200 attendees per meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ students/teachers/committee • 2 meetings <p>TOTAL = \$4000</p>
<p>Tutors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 mornings per week • 2 evenings per week 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$30 an hour per sub • 4 tutors per session • 1 hour before school • 2 hours after school • 60 sessions before school • 60 sessions after school <p>TOTAL = \$21,600</p>

GRAND TOTAL = \$39,000