



Carson High School

Board District 7 (Vladovic) | Local District 8 (Romero)

Academy of Medical Arts (Sullivan).....	PROVISIONAL APPROVAL
Academies of Education & Empowerment (Davidock) (Pilot).....	APPROVED
Carson Senior High School/Local District 8 (ESBMM).....	APPROVED

RATIONALE

Academy of Medical Arts (Sullivan) - Pilot

- The proposed program immerses students in interdisciplinary studies focused around the health care career pathway. Several CTE course offerings presented in a ladder of difficulty sequence. Students have the option to obtain state certification following the Certified Nursing Assistant Capstone CTE class.
- The instructional program has a strong argument for improving the academic achievement of struggling students with a data driven focus
- Student teams will participate in Model United Nations, Project Citizen, CHAMPS Camp, nutrition mentoring of feeder middle/elementary schools, and community health fairs.
- The writing team has a positive track record as an existing small learning community at Carson High School.

Academies of Education & Empowerment (Davidock) – Pilot

- The plan is ambitious and includes several solid strategies for improving student achievement that are well-grounded in data and research. They include writing across the curriculum and interdisciplinary learning.
- The curriculum is rigorous and standards-based. The school proposes to use Interactive Notebooks, work portfolios, project-based learning, cooperative learning, and interdisciplinary, data-driven instruction to ensure students are engaged in their learning.
- Proposed initiatives include the Freshman Success Academy, Freshman Orientation, 7th Period Schedule, Math and English Essentials, Connections Lab, and two career-focused Academies.
- The writing team has a positive track record as an existing SLC at Carson High School.

Carson Senior High School/Local District 8 – ESBMM

- Five small campus academies will offer students clear and distinct college/career paths as well as service learning projects for local and global communities. Reflective portfolios will help students self-monitor individual progress. The program focuses on SDAIE techniques, AVID, project based learning, and some school-wide strategies.
- A new schedule will allow for more intervention opportunities as well as weekly time allotted for professional development.
- Students will receive multiple sources of enrichment including Advanced Placement and college classes, on-campus peer-mentor programs, and internships. The program emphasizes autonomy with accountability, mastery of subject matter, and development of each student’s individual sense of purpose

NEXT STEPS

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- Approval is contingent upon the enactment by UTLA of all waivers requested by the design team.
- The team must provide a detailed action plan/implementation timeline. This plan should address the priorities in the first year of operation and steps the school will take to reach its year one goals.



- Service Plan for Special Education – further clarification required.
- The deadline to submit all revisions is no later than **5:00 PM on April 27, 2012**. Detailed information will be provided to the design team via a letter from the PSC team. Additionally, a representative from the Intensive Support and Intervention Team or the Superintendent’s Office will be assigned to support you as you consider the additional information that must be submitted.
- The team must work in conjunction with the other school(s) on campus to develop a campus-level Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to govern the management of critical operations aspects of the campus such as how students will choose among the schools on the campus. It is important to note that no decisions impacting the campus shall be made unilaterally until this agreement is finalized.
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