# AURUM PREPARATORY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

# **EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM (ELO-P) PLAN**

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### **Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Plan Guide**

### Name Of Local Educational Agency and Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Site

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#### **Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELO-P) Site**

1. Aurum Preparatory Academy Charter School

This Expanded Learning Opportunity Program (ELO-P) Plan may be subject to revisions to better align with future CDE updated to program guidelines and requirements.

Target Population	Percentage of School Population
English Learners	11.3%
Foster Youth	.24%
Students with Disabilities	18%
African American	27.3%
Hispanic/Latino	66.7%
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	65.1%
Homeless	1.66%

The Mission of Aurum Preparatory Academy states; through rigorous instruction and positive character education, Aurum Preparatory Academy Charter School educates all of its students, grades 6-8, to succeed in high school, college, and life and to serve as the next generation of moral leaders. As stated in EC Section 46120(b)(6) Aurum Preparatory Academy, in collaboration with The Envisioneers, parents and students this program has been designed to be successful. Aurum is committed to providing high quality extended learning programs outlined in this guide. Our goal is for all children to have equitable access to a positive and engaging learning environment that is consistent. All students are able to enroll but priority will be to the students that fall into the categories listed above.

#### 1. Safe and Supportive Environment:

Aurum Preparatory Academy along with The Envisioneers are working closely together to provide a safe and welcoming environment for our students to thrive. This starts with our staff being properly trained in conflict resolution. This training is reiterated in our daily meetings and role play training to keep our staff refreshed and prepared for daily scenarios. We also encourage our students to share and utilize open communication with staff whether in class or in our private office to speak about more sensitive issues. One of our strongest elements is a healthy relationship with our parents, as we work closely with both students and parents we've seen better results in our kids.

#### 2. Active and Engaged Learning:

Our students are encouraged to participate in all class and outdoors activities. Our apprenticeships and afterschool partners create lesson materials for our students to be assigned personal projects. Our classroom curriculum is designed for full class participation. Personal projects can range from science projects to cooking assignments. Classroom activities will be incentivized according to participation of students. We strive to make learning fun through active/physical lessons. Some lessons include students moving from to different sides of the room or coming to the board to give an answer. Positive phone calls home to parents are also included in incentivizing students to participate in class.

#### 3. Skill Building:

Our (ELO-P) program has an array of instructional sessions that challenge our students from thinking exercises to physical abilities. The Envisioneers team works closely with Aurum to monitor our students, ensuring that first, any homework assignments are completed upon arriving at our program. Secondly, that our tutorial program is top priority to our students who need that extra push. Aurum provides several apprenticeships of our students' choice. Our students choose from things like electrical engineering, photography and cooking to name a few. Our students become fully engaged in learning and skill building while having fun. These are just a few things we utilize for our skill building.

#### 4. Youth Voice and Leadership:

We are committed to raising a new generation of moral leaders here at Aurum and one of the strategies we utilize is connected with outside sources who share this same passion. Youth Alive is a program that is specifically dedicated to violence prevention. This program discusses ways to speak out against injustice and racism, to have a voice against gangs and drugs, and also to understand the voice of our youth. Becoming a leader is to be able to say "no" to the wrong things in front of peers, all these skills are put into practice during our sessions with the Youth Alive program that come to our (ELO-P) program twice a month.

#### 5. Healthy Choices and Behaviors:

A big part of our students' growth and success lies in our physical activities. Our students are offered snacks as they enter into our (ELO-P) program which always includes a fruit or vegetable. We start their program with outside time to unwind from the stresses of the day. We've recently teamed up with The University of Arizona and their research team to come up with a Curriculum called Growing Mathletes. This is a study where you learn math with sports. This helps our students calculate the distance between home plate and first, while physically participating in the research. These are just a few ways our students are introduced to a more healthier based day in our program.

#### 6. Diversity, Access, and Equity:

Our program strives to meet every need not only for our disadvantaged students but to our low socioeconomic families and then to our community. We have resources for our homeless students as well as counseling for our students that have specific needs. Our staff are multicultural and communicate instructions effectively to our bilingual students. Our staff are trained to spend personal time with our students who have disabilities. Our students here at Aurum know that we truly care about their future.

#### 7. Quality Staff:

Our staff walk through a lengthy course of No Nonsense Nurture to prepare for our students. Besides our apprenticeship program where our staff work closely with our students to hone in on a professional skill, we have several other areas where our certified staff are able to enlighten our youth through healthy relations. Our annual career fair is where our students lean on our staff heavily to help with research for future career goals. Also we have our Seminar workshop where our students display projects and mock companies of possible future employment opportunities. Lastly, our field trips where lots of bonding takes place.

#### 8. Clear Vision, Mission, and Purpose

Our vision for our students in our (ELO-P) plan is clear, we are committed to the success of our students academically, physically, mentally, and behaviorally. Our mission is to give our students the best chance to succeed in life and reach a obtainable future in college. Our purpose is simple, we care for the students and families in our community. This is clear in our weekly training sessions for our staff, where we look over data and learn from our experiences understanding what works for our students.

#### 9. Collaborative Partnerships:

Aurum Preparatory Academy is a proud partner with The Envisioneers Program to help expedite a safe and welcoming culture for our students to flourish. We partner with several entities to help make our program work. Design Squad is a national engineering team that helps with our tech portion, helping develop science fares and other show cases. The University of Arizona helps with combining learning math with sports to form our Matheletes session.

#### 10. Continuous Quality Improvement:

Aurum Preparatory Academy collects quantitative data for our program review. This comes by way of surveys, meetings, students, after school staff, and attendance. This process is ongoing as we always look for new ways to improve our program. The implementation of different programs and resources to fit the needs of our student population is always of top priority. Our research reviews not only what works well for Aurum but also what works or doesn't work well for other programs also.

#### 11. Program Management: