

School Plan 2020-2021 - Utah Connections Academy

Goal #1

Goal

Graduation Rate and Credit Support. The graduation rate at UCA improved by 20% between the 14-15 SY and the 16-17 SY, and has consistently improved in the following school years. The school will, therefore, continue to offer summer school courses for students needing credit recovery. This will help facilitate reaching our goal of a graduation rate of 70%.

Academic Areas

- Reading
- Mathematics
- Writing
- Technology
- Science
- Fine Arts
- Social Studies
- Health
- Foreign Language

Measurements

Improvement of graduation rate from the forecasted rate of 60% of the 19-20 school year to 70% by the end of 20-21.

Action Plan Steps

- 1) Identify students needing course recovery.
- 2) Letters sent to students/parents regarding summer school options and requirements.
- 3) Track students' participation/performance in summer school.
- 4) Purchase Online Curriculum or Subscriptions

Expenditures

Category	Description	Estimated Cost
Textbooks (Online Curriculum or Subscriptions) (642)	This will provide funding for credit recovery and regular courses during the summer.	\$2,750
	Total:	\$2,750

Goal #2

Goal

Improve Math scores and pass rate in conjunction with our school improvement plan.

Academic Areas

- Mathematics

Measurements

Reports will be pulled to determine the increase of students passing math courses and subsequently earning High School credit. For the most recent school year (2018-19), the student passing math courses was 68% for high school students (a gain of 8%) and 85% for K-8 students (4% gain from 2017-18). For the 20-21 school year, the goal is to hit 72% passing for high school students and 90% passing for K-8. UCA lags behind the state average in high school math proficiency testing.

Action Plan Steps

- 1) Employment of 1 math teacher;
- 2) Monitor student progress of students assigned to math teacher throughout 2020-21 SY using grade distribution reports and other data
- 3) Math teacher will report results to administration and teaching staff during weekly PLC meetings and devise plans to better serve their students;
- 4) Employment of up to 3 math teachers to complete summer work related to development of new curriculum for Math Interventions and Credit Recovery the 20-21 school year to align with Utah standards

Expenditures

Category	Description	Estimated Cost
Salaries and Employee Benefits (100 and 200)	Salaries and benefits for one math teacher, as well as salaries and benefits associated with Math teacher summer work for up to 3 teachers.	\$60,318
	Total:	\$60,318

Goal #3

Goal

Our goal is to improve student proficiency for the 2020-21 SY (English and Language Arts).

Academic Areas

- Reading
- Writing

Measurements

We will use RISE results, ASPIRE results, ACT results, Graduation rates and pass-rates for ELA as our measurements. Our pass rate goal for ELA courses for the 2020-21 school year is 90% for K-5, 80% for Middle School, and 78% for High School.

Action Plan Steps

- 1) Employment of ELA teacher;
- 2) Monitor student progress of students assigned to ELA teacher throughout 2020-21 SY using grade distribution reports and other data;
- 3) ELA teacher will report results to administration and teaching staff during weekly PLC meetings and devise plans to better serve their students.
- 4) Through the employment of an additional secondary ELA (English and Language Arts) teacher. This will allow us to reduce student load for each teacher and will allow the teachers to focus more time and effort on struggling students.

Expenditures

Category	Description	Estimated Cost
Salaries and Employee Benefits (100 and 200)	Salary and Benefits for an ELA teacher	\$50,568
Total:		\$50,568

Summary of Estimated Expenditures

Category	Estimated Cost (entered by the school)
Salaries and Employee Benefits (100 and 200)	\$110,886
Textbooks (Online Curriculum or Subscriptions) (642)	\$2,750
Total:	\$113,636

Funding Estimates

Estimates	Totals
Estimated Carry-over from the 2019-2020 Progress Report	\$0
Estimated Distribution in 2020-2021	\$113,636
Total ESTIMATED Available Funds for 2020-2021	\$113,636
Summary of Estimated Expenditures For 2020-2021	\$113,636
This number may not be a negative number Total ESTIMATED Carry Over to 2021-2022	\$0

The Estimated Distribution is subject to change if student enrollment counts change.

Funding Changes

There are times when the planned expenditures in the goals of a plan are provided by the district, a grant, or another unanticipated funding source leaving additional funds to implement the goals. If additional funds are available, how will the council spend the funds to implement the goals in this plan?

We will provide more credit recovery and standard courses for Summer School.

Publicity

- Letters to policy makers and/or administrators of trust lands and trust funds.
- School assembly
- School newsletter
- School website
- School marquee

Council Plan Approvals

Number Approved	Number Not Approved	Number Absent	Vote Date	Board Approval Date
4	0	1	2020-03-17	2020-03-17