**GEAR UP Specifics and Activities for Partnership Support 2021-2022**

**Grant Specifics**

* Districts must have completed/approved budget and Implementation Plan turned in to the Education Coordinator by June 30, 2022.
* Final Budget for the previous year is due July 15, 2022
* Checks will be mailed or direct deposited to district by approximately August 8, 2022.
* Mid-Year budget review/report will be due to GEAR UP, on January 6, 2023
* Funds cannot be spent until services have been rendered

**Required Activities**

* Rookie /Transition Event for students entering the high school.
* ACT Test for ALL Juniors – October 18, /November 1, 2022
* National GEAR UP Week, September 20-24, 2022
* College Application Week, September 20-24, 2022
* Pre-ACT for all 10th graders, September 6- November 18, 2022
* College Visits for ALL 7-9-11 grade students
* College Signing Day Event
* Financial Aid Event (FAFSA and OKpromise)
* Ed Ready Online Remediation for Math & English
* ACT Prep (NROC)
* GEAR UP Advisory Board – (2 meetings required)
* Implementation and Support of Professional Learning Communities (PLC)
* GEAR UP mentoring Program Student Connect
* ICAP Plans and Career Event
* Classroom Presentations (7-12)
* Connect U College Enrollment Day

**Optional Activities**

NOTE: GEAR UP activities can only be used to extend or expand existing programs or to implement new strategies, and cannot take the place of existing programs or activities that are already being provided by community or the district and funded with district general funds (supplanting)

* Professional Development for teachers/leaders
  + Grant Writing
  + Link Crew Training
  + On Point for New/Alternative Certified/Emergency Certified Personnel
  + Check and Connect Staff Training
  + Data Training for District Leadership Teams
* Travel for teachers/administrators to attend approved professional development during non-contract days/hours (Must follow district’s travel policies or state travel policies, whichever is the most restrictive)
* Tutoring/Mentoring (If offered during school day).
* *Eighth or Ninth Grade PreACT*
* Communication/Outreach activities to recruit students to participate in GEAR UP activities
* Activities that support the development of rigorous academic curricula (curriculum alignment; curriculum development; professional learning communities)
* STEM programs
* Disseminating information that promotes the importance of higher education and raises the awareness of resources available to students and parents
* Financial literacy activities
* Programs and activities that are specially designed for students who are limited English proficient
* Provide community awareness events and activities. Host college/career fairs & activities
* Implement job shadowing and career activities.
* Create a parent organization which fosters improved parent involvement
* Take parents on college campus field trips
* Concurrent enrollment support for students (can pay fees but not tuition).
* AP Premier for parents and students