

## Memorandum of Understanding

between

Shorter College (SC)

and

North Little Rock School District (NLRSD)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth the terms and understanding between Shorter College (SC) and North Little Rock School District (NLRSD) to create opportunities students at NLRSD students to receive a 21st century education through direct instructor contact and access to state of the art technology.

### Background

Shorter College seeks to partner with NLRSD to increase student access to early college/dual enrollment at a lower cost.

### Purpose

This MOU outlines how the TRACS approved dual enrollment partnership can assist NLRSD in closing the achievement gap while expanding the pool of college-ready students.

The partnership will accomplish the above purpose by undertaking the following activities:

#### (Shorter College)

- Offer the opportunity for dual enrolled students to earn at least 12 postsecondary credit hours (no more than 15 credit hours) in Title IV eligible programs while enrolled at North Little Rock High School
- Assure that this dual enrollment will not impede the academic progress at the secondary school
- Provide coursework that may also apply towards a secondary school diploma
- Provide enhanced student support services and student success counselors for high school to college transition support
- Provide assistance in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- Adhere to Arkansas Department of Higher Education standards, policies, and requirements

#### (NLRSD)

- Ensure students are adequately prepared academically for postsecondary-level coursework (grade point average, placement tests, course prerequisite requirements, etc.)
- Provide student support services (academic tutoring, guidance counseling)

**Reporting**

Shorter College and NLRSD will agree on the success criteria and reporting periods for evaluation during a joint planning session.

**Funding**

This MOU is not commitment of NLRSD funds.

**Duration**

This MOU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from Shorter College and NLRSD. This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from the Shorter College and NLRSD and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by any one of the partners by mutual consent (with thirty day notice).


**Modification, Entire Agreement:**

This community partnership agreement represents the entire agreement and may be modified by a written amendment signed and dated by both parties. Disputes concerning the implementation or interpretation of this agreement shall be resolved through discussion between key staff of the two parties, and shall be the sole remedy for resolutions of such disputes.

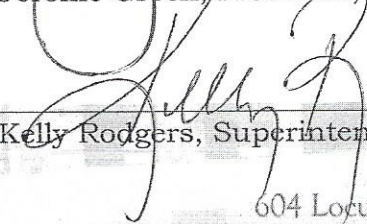
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