Mid-State JMT Virtual AP Project Goals

Create a Virtual Advance Placement Program to increase AP participation levels for lowincome and other disadvantaged students at eligible schools served by the Joint Management Team (JMT) Mid-State Region.

Objectives

- 1. To create an on-line AP Pilot Program in Art History and Statistics courses to benefit 37 schools served by the JMT Mid-State Region for the 2013-2014 school year.
- 2. To enroll and instruct 60 students taking AP Art History and 60 students taking AP Statistics online/blended courses for the 2013-2014 school year.
- 3. To develop 4 virtual AP courses to be available for the 2014-2015 school year to students at eligible schools served by the JMT Mid-State Region.
- 4. To increase student enrollment by 10 % in those virtual AP courses to be available for the 2014-2015 school year to students at eligible schools served by the JMT Mid-State Region.

Implement professional development training to broaden and support teaching AP courses in a virtual environment.

Objectives

- 1. To provide professional development training to four (4) Art History and four (4) Statistics teachers to create virtual AP level courses for students at eligible schools served by the JMT Mid-State Region for the 2013-2014 school year.
- 2. To provide professional development training to 34 teachers on instruction to teach online courses.
- 3. To provide professional development training to 210 teachers/administrators on instruction to teach AP virtual learning courses for the 2014-2015 school year.

Develop a programming infrastructure within the Joint Management Team Mid-State Region to support targeted schools in improving their access to virtual learning AP courses.

Objectives

- 1. To complete an infrastructure analysis of all eligible districts in the JMT Mid-State region by August 31, 2014.
- 2. To craft standard operating procedures and policies for creating and supporting virtual AP courses among all schools within the JMT Mid-State Region by August 31, 2014.

Intermediate outcomes include:

- Increased teacher knowledge and skill related to the use of digital technologies to facilitate student learning at a distance, targeting high need rural and impoverished small city schools;
- Increased teacher content knowledge related to AP® coursework;
- Enhanced local capacity (provision of software/hardware and addressing connectivity challenges in remote, rural communities) to ensure access for under-represented students;

Increased numbers (via coursework piloted in 2013-2014) of students enrolled in AP® courses in eligible schools; and

• Improved student access to preliminary experiences with virtual learning so that the modality is not foreign to students attempting rigorous AP® content in this medium as the project comes to scale.