

Experiential Learning Platform & Program Development Overview

<i>Mission</i>	The increase the quality and quantity of experiential learning in Tulsa.
<i>Definition of Experiential Learning</i>	Experiential learning is a youth-driven process, which fosters a growth mindset and broadens a young person’s understanding of the world through exposure to diverse, real-world experiences. Experiential learning takes place in a safe space, where youth are learning by doing, reflecting, and applying learned skills to their everyday lives.

Strategic Direction

- We will focus on building the capacity of existing experiential learning programs by finding alignment and common practices by:
 - Launching 2 four-six week prototypes in the Fall of 2018 with the intention of launching a pilot campus model by February 2019.
 - Developing the operational logistics of a unified OST structure for Middle schools in Tulsa.

Best Practices

- Increase the quality & quantity of career linkages opportunities through a pre-internship approach to positive youth development
 - Plan Targeted marketing campaign/events to engage parents in the value, importance, and benefits OST Experiential Learning
 - Work with community partners to develop a unified on-boarding process for Experiential Learning Programs
 - Develop logistics for common operations for a “campus” model prototype

18-Month Timeline

2018 (Q3/Q4)	2019 (Q1/Q2)	2019 (Q3/Q4)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Develop citywide elements and protocols to be implemented at OST sites across age groups ● Prototype new middle school OST pilots with existing partners ● Develop initial materials to promote OST impacts targeted to youth and families ● Continue defining experiential learning best practices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Implement improved OST elements and practices at existing citywide programs (PSELI, 21C, etc.) ● Support middle school sites piloted in 2018 ● Launch new middle school OST sites ● Refine materials to promote the impacts of OST on learning and positive youth development outcomes ● PD on experiential learning best practices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Expand use of improved elements and practices at OST sites (middle school, etc.) ● Explore expansion to more new middle school OST sites ● Develop branding effort for middle school / high school OST efforts ● Launch a professional learning community and technical assistance for experiential learning