

**REPORT NAME:** Proposal of Upward Bound Math, & Science Program

**REPORT OF:** Executive Director of Instruction

**FOR:** Approval of Upward Bound English, Math, Science Program elective credits

**APPLICABLE LAW AND/OR POLICY:** 2210 – Curriculum Development

**STRATEGIC GOAL ALIGNMENT:** Board Strategic Plan Goal II – Instruction

**STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE ALIGNMENT:** Strategic Objective 6 - Establish an environment of high expectations and opportunities for college and career preparedness through awareness and exploration

**FISCAL FUND IMPACT:** No impact

**IMPACT AMOUNT:** No cost impact

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:**

Southfield A & T has partnered with Northern Michigan University's Math-Science Upward Bound program for nearly a decade. This collaboration has provided students with meaningful academic enrichment, college exposure, and personal growth opportunities. The program includes a six-week summer residential academic experience focused on STEM skill development, problem solving, and career exploration. Students also engage in team-based activities that build confidence and lasting peer connections.

In alignment with neighboring partner districts, Southfield A & T is seeking approval to award students 0.5 elective credit in Math, English, or Science upon successful completion of two summer academic sessions. This credit option expands access to advanced learning, supports college and career readiness, and recognizes the rigorous instructional work completed through the Upward Bound summer program.

**COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS:** There is no cost impact

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**IMPACT IF NOT APPROVED:**

Without approval, students who complete Upward Bound will not earn elective credit, reducing incentives for participation and leaving them at a disadvantage compared to peers in neighboring districts.

**NEXT STEPS IF APPROVED:**

Students who participate will work with their counselors to ensure all requirements are completed.