### Profile of a Successful Student

- Arrives and is seated at
  their desk on time
- Maintains a 90% attendance average
- Paces themselves appropriately to complete coursework
- Displays a positive presence in the Program
- Has positive relationships with peers and program staff

The staff will work with you to achieve these goals!

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# Positive Choice Program

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### Positive Choice Program

Any high school student who has received a long-term suspension as a result of a discipline hearing has the voluntary option of attending the Positive Choice Program. High school students have the opportunity of earning credits toward fulfilling graduation requirements while attending the program.

In this computer-based program, students will pace themselves appropriately to complete their coursework independently during a three hour session. Three teachers will assist and guide students through the program. A counselor and social worker will provide individual and group counseling sessions focused on decision-making and healthy living choices. A Special School District staff member will provide support to students as well.

#### Long-term suspension program profile:

- Students in grades 9–12.
- Students may attend as a result of being assigned a long-term suspension.
- There will be two (2) three-hour computerbased instructional sessions available.
- HSD will provide limited bus transportation opportunities.

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### Q: Where is the program located?

A: The Hazelwood Opportunity Center located at 1865 Dunn Road, St. Louis, MO 63138.

#### Q: What are the hours for the program?

A: There are two available sessions; 7:30 am -10:30 am and 11:00 am - 1:40 pm. Acceptance and assignment to a session in the program is made on a first-come first-served basis.

#### Q: Is transportation provided?

A: Limited bus transportation is available. Routes will be shared during the intake meeting.

## Q: What happens when a student's suspension is complete?

A: The student may return to their home school after a transition meeting is held with administrators of their home school and the staff of the Positive Choice Program. Grades earned and an attendance report will be forwarded to the school.



#### **Miscellaneous**

- Students must continue to accrue their required community service hours during their suspension.
- Suspended students are not permitted to attend any sporting events, dances (including prom), and/or any other HSD sponsored events.
- If a student is suspended until the last day of the regular academic school year, the student may not be permitted to attend their home high school graduation ceremony.
- Students are required to be on time and meet all expectations. Failure to meet the expectations will result in removal from the program. The student will then serve the remainder of their suspension at home.