612: Out-of-School Time Program Standards Policy

1. Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to set standards for high quality out-of-school time programs. St. George Academy encourages all students to participate in rigorous enrichment programs offered by the school before and after school and in the summer.

2. Definitions:

- 2.1 "Out-of-school time" means time that a student at a participating program is engaged in a learning environment before school, after school, and during the summer.
- 2.3 "Participating program" means a program that is funded or authorized by St George Academy.

3. Procedure:

- 3.1 All participating programs shall ensure that it is working toward achieving the standards put forth by SGA curriculum expectations.
- 3.2 Programs that result in graduation credit must collect and submit student attendance data.
- 3.3 All safety standards and expectations follow SGA Policy 505: SGA Code of Conduct and Appropriate Behavior Policy and 407: Safe Schools Policy.
- 3.4 All staff are professionally qualified to work with program participants and have completed a background check.
- 3.5 Procedures are established, implemented, and submitted to SGA Administration to ensure the health and safety of all program participants.
- 3.6 Program participants are carefully supervised to maintain safety as per SGA Policy 413: Supervision of Students in School Sponsored Activities.
- 3.7 All behavior management follows SGA policy 401: SGA Behavioral Framework.
- 3.8 The program shall foster family involvement to support program goals.
- 3.9 Participants shall be actively engaged in learning activities that promote critical thinking, creative thinking, and that build on the individual's interests and strengths.
- 3.10 The program shall align academic support and interventions to the school-day curricula to address student learning needs.