



**Comprehensive School Reform Project
For LA GEAR UP Schools 2009-10**

The 2009-2001 Comprehensive School Reform Project for LA GEAR UP schools is an important component of the overall LA GEAR UP program. As a participating school, it is essential that your school be represented in this project. Two representatives of your school should register for the project; the LA GEAR UP school coordinator and the school counselor. If either of these individuals is unable to attend, you may designate other individuals to fulfill this responsibility. Participants must agree to attend all sessions as outlined in the enclosed brochure, establish a LA GEAR UP Explorers Club, and to work toward implementation of a Professional Learning Community model.

The goals of the project are as follows:

Goal 1: Improve the content knowledge of teachers in core content areas through the implementation of school-based professional development facilitated by a partnership between the university and the Professional Learning Community established at targeted schools as an outcome of this project.

Goal 2: Foster the development of a school culture that features high expectations for all students while providing the support and personalized learning environment needed for their success.

Goal 3: Promote the development of social support for students in developing social networks and instrumental relationships through the operation of Explorers Clubs.

It is not possible to accomplish these goals without your support. Therefore, we are asking that you complete and sign this commitment form indicating your understanding of the project requirements and your willingness to support the project participants as they work to implement the strategies presented through this project. The following statements describe the specific commitments we are seeking in support of the project.

As principal of a school participating in the LA GEAR UP program, I agree to :

1. Recruit two representatives from our school to participate in the 2009-10 Comprehensive School Reform Project for LA GEAR UP Schools;
2. Assist/facilitate the establishment of a LA GEAR UP Explorers Club chapter at our school;
3. Allow project participants to attend the LA GEAR UP Regional Conference in Fall 2009;
4. Allow project participants and Explorers Club student officers to attend the 6th Annual LA GEAR UP Explorers Club Conference and Leadership Summit in spring 2010;
5. Assist in implementation of the Professional Learning Community model by scheduling team meetings during common planning periods, and;
6. Allow project participants time to redeliver project content to the entire school faculty during a school professional development day or at scheduled school faculty meetings.

Names of school representatives participating in project:

Name of School: _____

District: _____

Principal Name: _____

Principal Signature: _____

e-mail: _____

Contact Phone: _____