## 35010 ADOPTED-BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508

## **FEBRUARY 1, 2024**

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508 COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

APPLICATION FOR NEW PROGRAMS
ADVANCED CERTIFICATE IN BARBERING
ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE IN BARBERING
THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS
OLIVE-HARVEY COLLEGE

WHEREAS, new educational programs require approval of the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508, the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB); and

WHEREAS, an application for approval of an Advanced Certificate in Barbering and Associate in Applied Science at Olive-Harvey College has been received and is under review by the Joint Curriculum Development Council for submission; and

WHEREAS, the Advanced Certificate in Barbering and Associate in Applied Science at Olive-Harvey College will allow students to pursue a certificate, and ultimately licensure, in barbering, which is a first step to professional licensure to secure employment in the barbering industry. The geographical location of the College is ideal to offer an in-demand, career technical education program. The College has experienced a sharp decline in African-American/Black male student enrollments and seeks a program that will attract and retain students of this demographic. Above all, the goal is to offer relevant, desirable programs to serve the needs of our community; and

WHEREAS, labor market data shows strong demand for barbering, with a projected 8% increase over the next 10 years according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics, with median wages of \$16.06 per hour or \$33,400 annually, plus tips.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508, County of Cook and State of Illinois, hereby approves the submission of this program for permanent approval by the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB), pending completion of Proposed Academic Curriculum Changes (PACC) process per Academic Policy 9.02.