**VISION**
To provide medical education and service to the eastern region of Texas and be recognized as a leader in improving primary care access and workforce needs in the state.
The SHSU-COM will:
- Provide an excellent academic experience through a vertically integrated basic science/clinical curriculum provided by highly skilled and experienced basic science faculty and clinicians.
- Reinforce the quality of the academic experience through biomedical and clinical research.
- Create opportunities with clinical partners to develop strong clinical training programs for students and facilitate the creation and expansion of graduate medical education.
- Produce qualified candidates for entry into GME who will become part of the medical workforce in east Texas.

**MISSION**
To develop osteopathic physicians, grounded in osteopathic principles, who will serve the healthcare needs of the people of Texas.
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**VALUES**
- Osteopathic Principles
- Academic Excellence
- Culture of Service
- Research
- Professionalism

**STRATEGIES**
- **Culture of Service**
  - Implement a culture that emphasizes primary care, rural practice, and service to the community
- **Osteopathic Principles**
  - Apply osteopathic principles and practice to education and patient care
- **Academic Excellence**
  - Provide a quality educational experience to promote academic excellence and facilitate lifelong learning
- **Research**
  - Create a strong scientific foundation for evidence based medicine through research and scholarly activity
- **Professionalism**
  - Develop curricular and co-curricular content that highlights professionalism, empathy, and patient centered care.