



Siloam Springs School District

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Dear Ms. Bledsoe:

The Siloam Springs School District submits this Letter of Intent to apply for a limited conversion public charter school. The following information is provided in compliance with the Department's Letter of Intent requirements:

School District:	Siloam Springs School District
Contact Person:	Jody Wiggins, Assistant Superintendent
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Name of School:	Siloam Springs High School
Proposed Name of School:	Career Academy of Siloam Springs
Location of School:	700 North Progress Avenue, Siloam Springs, AR 72761
Grade Levels:	9 -12
Number of Students to be Served:	200

The Siloam Springs School District proposes to establish a limited conversion public charter school which will equip our students with the skills necessary to secure entry-level industrial maintenance positions in business and industry. The training provided by the proposed charter school will afford students the opportunity to pursue a post-secondary career-with local industries or a post-secondary degree in areas such as welding, basic electricity, hydraulics, CNC operation(computer numerical control), and machining.

The Career Academy of Siloam Springs will offer concurrent credit, articulated credit, and/or blended courses in grades nine through twelve and provide industry-recognized certification to students in grades eleven and twelve. The proposed charter school will capitalize upon an integrated approach between education and industry, utilizing members of local industry to provide up-to-date curricula, training, and support to students in a real world setting on actual equipment and machinery. The charter school will give students the opportunity to graduate from high school with a value-added diploma that demonstrates they have skills necessary to pursue immediate employment or future education and training.

Sincerely,

Ken Ramey, Superintendent
Siloam Springs School District