

Greenland Public Schools

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Dr. Larry Ben, Superintendent

June 1, 2015

Dear Ms. Bledsoe:

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

School District:	Greenland School District
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Name of School:	Greenland High School
Proposed Name of School:	Greenland Career Academy
Location of School:	10 N Main, Greenland AR, 72737
Grade Levels:	9-12
Number of Students to be Served	280

The purpose of the Greenland Career Academy is to provide a high school experience that is more relevant for more students. The traditional high school does well at preparing students for college if the student is interested. However, we are all aware that the percentage of high school students that end up graduating from college and using their degree for a career is small.

The programs of study will have a relationship to the job market in Northwest Arkansas and the world. Students will explore the opportunities to learn real-world applications that will prepare them for a career or higher learning after graduation. Programs of specific skill development will reflect industry demands as well as student interest.

The staff, students, parents, and school board will be educated in the labor market statistics and updated on an annual basis.

In addition to a strong academic program, students will be offered a workplace experience through programs such as internships and apprenticeships. Additionally, students will be led to develop employability skills, also known as 21st Century or "Soft" skills. We are seeking to offer programs that result in industry certifications or a two year associate degree as well as preparation for 4 year professional degrees.

Sincerely,



Larry Ben