



March 1, 2016

Ms. Alexandra Boyd, Charter School Program Advisor
Arkansas Department of Education
Four Capital Mall
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The Cedar Ridge School District proposes to create a district conversation public charter school. Please accept this as the District's Letter of Intent.

School District: Cedar Ridge Public School District

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Name of the school to be converted to charter status: Newark Elementary School

Name of the proposed district conversation charter school: Cedar Ridge Elementary School

Location of the proposed district conversation charter school: 3549 Cord Rd, Newark, AR 72562

Grade levels to be served: K-6

Number of students intended to serve: 325

Description of the purpose or special emphasis of the proposed school: The Cedar Ridge School District proposes to establish a conversion charter school, Cedar Ridge Elementary School, to provide additional academic choice to students and parents. It will focus on research-based best educational practices, integrating Common Core State Standards, technology, and college and career readiness. A variety of technology will be used across the curriculum to both enhance and authenticate the learning experience. It will also provide students with the opportunity to gain expertise in using a wide variety of the most current available technology. The school will work to create environment and culture were students believe education is the key to their future success.

Respectfully,

Andy Ashley, superintendent
Cedar Ridge Schools