



Hope Public Schools
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Director of Office of Educational Options
Arkansas Department of Education
Division of Learning Services
Charter and Home School Office
Four Capitol Mall, Mail Slot 3
Little Rock, AR 72201

Director,

Please accept this letter as Hope Public Schools' official "Letter of Intent to Apply for a District Conversion Public Charter School". Listed below is the information per instructions provided by the Arkansas Department of Education:

School District: Hope Public Schools
District Contact: Bobby Hart
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Name of School: Hope High School
Proposed Name of School: Hope Collegiate and Professions Academy
Proposed Location : University of Arkansas Hope-Texarkana, Hope campus
2500 South Main Street
Hope, AR 71801

Grade Levels: 10 - 12
Number of Students: 150

The Hope School District proposes to establish a conversion charter public high school with a curriculum designed to enable students to complete a high school diploma and an associate degree, simultaneously. The Hope Collegiate and Professions Academy is an innovative educational joint venture between Hope Public Schools and the University of Arkansas Hope-Texarkana. The Collegiate Academy's location on the Hope campus of the University of Arkansas Hope-Texarkana, creates a unique educational environment for motivated high school students in grades 10, 11, and 12. The rigorous program of study enables students to complete a standard high school diploma and an Associate of Arts degree or a targeted professional credential at the same time while fully immersed in a college-supportive environment that prepares them for continued post-secondary college work directed toward self-fulfilling aspirations and life sustaining careers.

Sincerely,

Bobby Hart
Superintendent, Hope Public Schools