



# Green Forest School District

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Ms. Alexandra Boyd  
Program Advisor, Charter Schools Office  
Arkansas Department of Education  
Four Capitol Mall  
Little Rock, AR 72201


Dear Ms. Boyd:

Please accept this letter as Green Forest Public Schools' official "Letter of Intent to Apply for a District Conversion Public Charter School". Green Forest School District will take the lead in this endeavor along with Berryville School District and Eureka Springs School District making this request a county wide endeavor. Listed below is the requested information per instructions provided by the Arkansas Department of Education:

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| School District:                 | Green Forest Public Schools   |
| District Contact:                | Dr. Matt Summers<br>PO Box 1950<br>Green Forest, AR 72638<br>870.438.5201<br><a href="mailto:msummers@gf.k12.ar.us">msummers@gf.k12.ar.us</a> |
| Name of School:                  | Green Forest Public Schools   |
| Proposed Name of School:         | Carroll County Careers Academy  |
| Proposed Location:               | 1002 South Main<br>Berryville, AR 72616   |
| Grade Levels:                    | 11-12   |
| Number of Students to be Served: | 150   |

The Green Forest School District, along with Berryville School District and the Eureka Springs School District, proposes to establish a conversion charter high school with a multifaceted program designed to prepare students to be college and/or career ready. High school students will have the opportunity to enroll in courses leading to industry certificates prior to high school graduation, as well as courses that will transfer to post-secondary colleges or vocational schools for industry certification or expanded degrees. Additionally, apprenticeship opportunities, with local business and industry, will be included in the program design allowing students to graduate with a value-added diploma that demonstrates their acquisition of necessary skills to be successful in their pursuit of additional education or immediate employment.

Sincerely,

  
Dr. Matt Summers  
Superintendent