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Alexandra Boyd, Charter School Program Advisor  
Arkansas Department of Education  
Division of Learning Services  
Four Capitol Mall  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Ms. Boyd,

The North Little Rock School District submits this Letter of Intent for a conversion charter school. The following information is provided in compliance with the ADE's Letter of Intent requirements:

School District:	North Little Rock School District
Contact Person:	Dr. Beth Stewart, Deputy Superintendent
Address:	2700 N. Poplar Street, North Little Rock, AR 72115
Daytime Phone Number:	501-771-8010
Email Address:	<a href="mailto:stewartb@nlrsd.org">stewartb@nlrsd.org</a>
Name of School:	North Little Rock High School
Proposed Name of School:	North Little Rock High School Center of Excellence
Location of School:	101 W. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street, North Little Rock, AR 72115
Grade Levels:	9-12
Number of Students to be Serviced:	3000

The purpose of the proposed school is to create a career focused school giving students the ability to embark on STEM careers which are projected to have a nationwide shortage of over 4.5 million jobs in the manufacturing, health care, transportation, distribution and logistics industries in the next five years. All of the programs are project based and are being created and driven by industry needs. The North Little Rock High School Center of Excellence will function as a school within a school, offering additional opportunities to all students in technical and vocational curriculum areas. The program will blend and integrate manufacturing, health care and transportation, distribution and logistics content into other district programs which are currently in place such as Engineering, Computer Science, and EAST in order to support enrollment and viability. The proposed charter school will give students the opportunity to graduate from high school with a value-added diploma that demonstrates they have the skills necessary to pursue immediate employment or future education and training.

Sincerely,



Kelly Rodgers, Superintendent  
North Little Rock School District

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