

March 1, 2016

Alexandra Boyd, Charter School Program Advisor
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RE: Letter of Intent to Apply for an Open-Enrollment Public Charter School

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Please accept our signed letter of intent to apply for an open-enrollment public charter school during the 2016 application cycle.

1. As required, our letter of intent is a one-page document.
2. **Legal Name of the Eligible Entity:** JBH Collegiate Academy, intends to apply for a charter. Our organization received 501(c) (3) status on December 11, 2015.
3. **Contact Information:** Michelle Burgess, 503 Deer Run Court, Suffolk, VA 23434; Phone: 757-539-1042. Email: jbh.academy@yahoo.com
4. **Description of Eligible Entity:** JBH Collegiate Academy (a non-profit organization that is sponsoring this application) is an educational institute committed to inspiring each student to achieve the highest standards; with a desire to learn, take appropriate risks, and to accept challenges. Students will be equipped with knowledge, skills and disposition to continue their education, to become personally fulfilled, interdependent, and socially responsible adults...the tools necessary for lifelong learning.
5. **Name of the proposed Open-Enrollment Public Charter School:** JBH Collegiate Academy.
6. **Location of School District:** The exact location of JBH Collegiate Academy for the 2016-2017 cycle is to be determined.
7. **Grade Levels of Students:** K-8
8. **Number of Students:** 150 students in the 2017-2018 school year, 250 students 2018-2019 school year, 350 students in the 2019-2020 school year.
9. **Description of the Purpose or special emphasis of the proposed school:** JBH Collegiate Academy will reach students and their families throughout Arkansas and offer a world-class STEM and Liberal Arts program; in a safe, respectful, rigorous, and goal-oriented, multicultural environment; that is driven by the expectation that all students are college-bound.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter of intent. As required, we are sending a copy of this letter of intent via the same email address transmission to Bruce Hill, Superintendent of DeQueen/Lockesburg school District of Sevier County.

We look forward to working with you during this charter application process.

Sincerely,



Michelle L. Burgess
Chief Executive Officer
JBH Collegiate Academy Public Charter School