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CHARTER SCHOOL OFFICE

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School:

Brunson Elementary School

Proposed Charter School Name: Brunson New Vision Charter School

Location:

Location will be at the current Brunson Elementary campus at

212 Scobey Drive Warren, AR 71671

Grade Levels:

4th-5th

Charter School Description: Brunson New Vision Charter School will be a whole school conversion charter with a student enrollment cap of 300. The classroom environment will be learner-centered, performance-based with the common core state standards as the framework for the curriculum. Rather than being assigned to a "grade", students will progress through "learning levels" and will be held responsible for providing evidence of their learning and of their readiness for moving up to the next level of instruction. Research-based instructional strategies will be utilized to engage the learners in authentic, interactive learning activities in building the foundation for college and career readiness. We will ensure that parents are partners in learning and kept informed of their child's progress by having access to the child's data log which details the goals and progress toward meeting those goals. We will partner with community stake holders by having them meet with students to help them see the connection between learning and life, as well as having them score projects related to real world application. Technologies to be used include the MAP/NWEA assessments, Compass Learning software, and additional technology integration in the classroom. Areas of emphasis include using time as the variable, not the constant in an effort to give students the time and support needed to master concepts and provide evidence of skills learned; learner-centered focus in which differentiation of learning style, process, product, and/or environment is considered; students providing evidence of their learning to progress through levels of instruction instead of being automatically promoted from one grade to the next; and preparing students for college and career readiness by establishing a real-world workplace atmosphere built around trust, cooperation, responsibility, and evidence of progress. In summary, we want to create a school which takes students where they are and progressively builds upon their knowledge and skills to prepare them for life.

Andrew Tolbert, Superintendent Warren School District

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