

AGENDA CHARTER AUTHORIZING PANEL

July 17, 2025
Arkansas Department of Education
DESE Auditorium
4 Capitol Mall
Little Rock, AR 72201
9:00 AM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Changes to Agenda
- III. Action Agenda
 - 1. Charter Schools Requesting Location Changes
 - a. Charter Amendment Request--Arkansas Lighthouse Charter Schools
 - b. Charter Amendment Requests-- eStem Public Charter Schools
 - 1) Request to Split eStem Elementary School between Two Locations
 - 2) Request to Relocate eStem Junior High School
 - 3) Request to Relocate eStem High School
 - 2. Charter Schools Requesting to Defer School Opening to the 2026-2027 School Year
 - a. Charter Amendment Request for IOTA Community Schools
 - b. Charter Amendment Request for Pinecrest Fayetteville
 - c. Charter Amendment Requests for Somerset Academy Schools
 - 1) Somerset Academy Bentonville High School
 - 2) Somerset Academy Bentonville Middle School
 - 3) Somerset Academy Bentonville (K-5)
 - 4) Somerset Academy Little Rock High School
 - 5) Somerset Academy Little Rock Middle School
 - 6) Somerset Academy Little Rock (K-5)
 - 3. Charter Amendment Request from the Academies at Rivercrest District Conversion Charter
 - 4. Process for Placement of Items on a Consent Agenda

IV. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes from the June 19 Charter Authorizing Panel Meeting

V. Reports

- 1. Preview of the State's Charter School Portfolio for the 2025-2026 School Year
- 2. 2026 Renewals

VI. Public Comments

VII. Adjournment