BEFORE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

On March 9, 2023, during a regular meeting of the Arkansas State Board of Education ("Board"),

a hearing was conducted pursuant to the legal authority and jurisdiction vested in the Board by Arkansas

Code Annotated § 6-15-201 et seq., and the Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education

Rules Governing Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts ("Standards

for Accreditation"). The Board considered whether to grant the appeal of Accredited-Cited status for

failing to test ninety-five percent (95%) of its students on the annual statewide student assessment filed

by the Fayetteville School District for Fayetteville Virtual Academy.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On November 1, 2022, and February 1, 2023, the Fayetteville School District was notified by

the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education ("Division") of its failure to meet Standard 1-C.1.1

for failure to test ninety-five percent (95%) of its students on the annual statewide student assessment.

2. Violation of Standard 1-C.1.1 results in a recommendation to the State Board of Education that

the school be placed on Accredited-Cited status.

3. On February 7, 2023, the Fayetteville School District timely appealed the Division's

determination that it failed to meet Standard 1-C.1.1.

**CONCLUSION OF LAW AND ORDER** 

Upon consideration of the evidence and information presented, the State Board sustains the appeal of the Fayetteville School District.

Signed this 9th day of March, 2023

Ouida Newton, Chair

Arkansas State Board of Education