Dear Ms. Summons,

Hope Academy of Northwest Arkansas is seeking to amend its charter to include waiver 6-10-106(a)(1)(A) Uniform dates for beginning and end of school year. We would like to start school on 8/14/24 and end school on 5/27/25.

In an effort to best serve students and families, Hope Academy makes every effort to align the yearly instructional calendar with surrounding school districts. This practice ensures that families with other children in those districts have compatible schedules and offers more consistency for childcare needs during school breaks. Additionally, starting the school year earlier will serve our students' academic needs by reducing their time away from the classroom and ensuring more access to professional development opportunities for our staff.

Thank you,

Katie Drake Principal Hope Academy of NWA