

Charter Amendment Request AMS Schools – Arkansas June 19, 2025



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May 14, 2025

Mr. Dustin Wood State Director of School Choice Office of School Choice & Parental Empowerment Arkansas Department of Education Four Capital Mall, Little Rock, AR 72201

Re: AMS Schools – Arkansas Amendment Request

Dear Mr. Wood,

Pursuant to Section 4.02.4 of the Arkansas Department of Education Rules Governing Public Charter Schools, we are submitting a complete Charter Amendment Request Form with additional documentation pertaining to the request via email.

The purpose of this submission is to request the following amendment to the AMS Schools – Arkansas charter:

- To increase AMS Schools Arkansas' enrollment cap from 600 students to 750 students.
- To waive Ark. Code Ann. § 6-18-213(b).

We are requesting that this amendment request be placed on the June 19, 2025 meeting agenda of the Charter Authorizing Panel for consideration.

We appreciate the Department's time and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Kristina Winters, Superintendent, AMS Impact Group & Zachary Larison Chief of Staff, AMS Impact Group & Brandi Adams Chief Operating Officer, AMS Impact Group & Erik Greenberg, Chief Executive Officer, AMS Impact Group



Charter Amendment Request Form

The Charter Amendment Request Form and all required documentation must be received via email (<u>ade.charterschools@ade.arkansas.gov</u>) at the Arkansas Department of Education at least 35 days prior to the Charter Authorizing Panel meeting.

Charter Name: AMS Schools - Arkansas	LEA: 6065702
Superintendent or Director:	
Email:	_ Phone:

Type of Amendment(s) Requested

Add a New Campus (Must a	so submit the Facilities Utilization Agreement)
Address:	
School District:	
Relocate Existing Campus	(Must also submit the Facilities Utilization Agreement)
Campus Name:	
Current Address:	
Proposed Address:	
School District:	
Increase Enrollment Cap	
Current Cap:	600
Proposed Cap:	750
Change Grade Levels Serve	ed
Current Grade Levels	Served:
Proposed Grade Leve	Is Served:



Statute/Standard/Rule to be Waived: Ark. Code Ann § 6-18-213(b)

Rationale for Waiver:

Ark. Code Ann § 6-18-213(b) mandates that the official reporting period for attendance shall be quarterly with the actual number of days counted in each period to be no less than forty (40) nor more than fifty (50). AMS Schools - Arkansas is seeking a waiver of this requirement as part of a transition to an alternative school calendar to better prepare for school days lost due to inclement weather.



II. Budget Projections

AMS Little Rock Budget Proforma							
	FY25 Current Model	FY26 Projected	FY27 Projected	FY28 Projected	FY26 Max	FY27 Max	FY28 Max
# of Students	476*	651	651	651	750	750	750
# of Staff	50	51	51	51	60	59.9	60
Estimated State Revenue Per Pupil	9,634	9,904	10,140	10,289	9,849	10,084	10,232
State Foundation Funding	7,771	8,160	8,362	8,487	8,160	8,362	8,487
Teacher Salary Equalization	185	185	185	185	185	185	185
ESA Funding	1,076	1,103	1,130	1,147	1,103	1,130	1,147
PD Funding	38	38	38	38	38	38	38
Other	565	419	425	432	364	369	375
Estimated Federal Revenue Per Pupil	3,686	1,563	1,600	1,624	1,576	1,600	1,624
Revenue	6,374,945	7,464,240	7,644,485	7,759,152	8,541,807	8,735,904	8,866,943
Federal	1,754,387	1,017,653	1,041,576	1,057,199	1,182,238	1,199,972	1,217,972
State	4,440,062	6,261,091	6,412,270	6,508,454	7,171,747	7,345,293	7,455,472
Other	180,496	185,496	190,639	193,499	187,822	190,639	193,499
Total Revenue	6,374,945	7,464,240	7,644,485	7,759,152	8,541,807	8,735,904	8,866,943
Expenditures							
Salary & Benefits	2,338,371	3,304,986	3,364,453	3,423,331	3,863,180	3,930,785	3,999,574
Prof Tech & Other Services	800,983	808,190	826,290	840,635	1,147,523	1,172,701	1,192,392
Building Lease	1,811,948	1,896,225	2,081,225	2,110,500	1,896,225	2,081,225	2,110,500
Building Services	723,245	727,106	699,691	711,020	773,715	746,390	758,405
Supplies and Materials	332,667	294,043	299,183	303,301	314,322	319,632	323,750
Other Expenditures	36,017	45,634	46,471	47,324	46,886	47,754	48,640
Total Expenditures	6,043,231	7,076,184	7,317,314	7,436,111	8,041,851	8,298,487	8,433,261
Year End Balance	331,714	388,056	327,171	323,041	499,956	437,417	433,682

*476 students is based on a state funding mid-year data capture. Total enrollment in May is 497 students.



III. Current year to date enrollment by race and grade

AMS Little Rock	Hispanic or Latino of any Race (Ethnicity)	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	White	Two or more races	Grand Total
K - Kindergarten	6	2	2	47		10		67
01 - First Grade	5	1		42		7		55
02 - Second Grade	13	1		41		6		61
03 - Third Grade	9	2		46		1		58
04 - Fourth Grade	9	2	2	42		5		60
05 - Fifth Grade	7			42		1		50
06 - Sixth Grade	12		1	45	1	5		64
07 - Seventh Grade	8			47		1		56
08 - Eighth Grade	2		2	20		4		26
Grand Total	71	8	5	372	1	40	0	497

IV. Current year to date free and reduced lunch

School	# Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible Students	Total Enrollment	FRL Percentage
AMS Little Rock	411	497	83.0%



IX. APPENDIX (a) – AMS Schools – Arkansas Board Approval

At a duly called meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of AMS Schools – Arkansas, Inc., an Arkansas nonprofit corporation, held on Monday, May 5, 2025, the Board unanimously approved the following agenda item*:

- Agenda Item 5: Consideration to approve an enrollment cap increase from 600 students to 750 students.

Ms. DeLisa Shaw	Ауе
Ms. Rosa Perez-Leal	Aye
Ms. Brandi Adams	Ауе

*Voting excerpted from meeting minutes



IX. APPENDIX (b) – Additional Amendment Support Materials

For more information supporting this amendment request, please refer to the submitted PowerPoint file "AMS Schools – Arkansas June Amendment Request Presentation" (attached separately), which includes:

- AMS Little Rock First Year Update
- AMS Little Rock Enrollment Projections

On behalf of AMS Schools – Arkansas and AMS Impact Group, we appreciate the Charter Authorizing Panel's time and consideration of this request. We look forward to serving Arkansas students and families in need for years to come.

Thank you!

