

WESTWIND

SCHOOL FOR PERFORMING ARTS

VIA Email to ade.charterschools@arkansas.gov

April 11, 2023

Ms. Dorie Summons
Director of Public Charter Schools
Arkansas Department of Education
Division of Elementary and Secondary Education
Four Capitol Mall, Box 26
Little Rock, AR 72201

Re: Westwind School for Performing Arts

Dear Ms. Summons:

Pursuant to Section 4.02.4 of the ADE Rules Governing Public Charter Schools, I have enclosed a completed Charter Amendment Form (with the required attachments and related documents) for the purpose of requesting the following amendment to our charter:

1.) Rescission of our waiver of Ark. Code Ann. §6-17-2403, concerning the minimum teacher compensation schedule. I am requesting that this amendment request be placed on the May, 2023 agenda of the Charter Authorizing Panel for consideration.

I am also contemporaneously sending a copy of this notice letter to the Superintendent of the Pulaski County Special School District.

Sincerely,



Theresa Timmons
Executive Director
Westwind School for Performing Arts

Cc: Dr. Charles McNulty (via email)
Superintendent
Pulaski County Special School District
925 E Dixon Road
Little Rock, AR 72216



Charter Amendment Request Form

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

Charter Name: Westwind School for Performing Arts **LEA:** 6063700

Superintendent or Director: Theresa Timmons

Email: ttimmons@thewestwindschool.org **Phone:** 501-621-5300

Type of Amendment(s) Requested

Add a New Campus (Must also 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: _____

Proposed Cap: _____

Change Grade Levels Served

Current Grade Levels Served: _____

Proposed Grade Levels Served: _____

Waiver(s)

Statute/Standard/Rule to be Waived: Rescind waiver of Ark. Code Ann. Section 6-17-2403,
concerning the minimum teacher compensation schedule.

Rationale for Waiver:

Westwind School for Performing Arts is requesting to amend its charter by rescinding its waiver of Ark. Code Ann. Section 6-17-2403, concerning the minimum teacher compensation schedule. The rationale for requesting the rescission of the waiver is to assist our charter school in qualifying for the additional funding available under Section 35 of the LEARNS act (Act 237 of 2023), in order to implement the new statutory minimum teacher compensation schedule and offer competitive salaries to our current and prospective teachers.

Statute/Standard/Rule to be Waived: _____

Rationale for Waiver:

2023-2024

Westwind School For the Performing Arts

Revenue	Amount	Total
State Foundation Aid	7618 x 82	\$624,678
PD	38 x 82	\$3,116
ESA	1076 x 49	\$52,724
Title I		\$32,000
Teacher Salary Equalization Aid		\$11,736
Teacher Min Salary		\$108,248
ARP ESSER		\$200,000
CSP Grant		\$300,000
Food Service		\$50,000
Charter Facility Funding		\$36,000
Total Revenue		\$1,418,502
Expenditures		
Salaries		\$490,000
Benefits	28%	\$137,200
Total Salaries and Benefits		\$627,200
Operations		
Instructional		\$3,000
Adjunct teachers		\$90,000
Classroom supplies		\$40,000
Equipment		\$10,000
SPED		\$75,000
PD		\$30,000
Travel		\$5,000
Dues and Fees		\$5,000
Transportation		\$40,000
Technology		\$25,000
Bookkeeping		\$45,000
Office, phone, copier, , supplies		\$10,000
Lease		\$120,000
Liability Insurance		\$5,000
Food Service Contract		\$50,000
Total Operating Expenditures		\$553,000
Total Expenditures		\$1,180,200

Total Revenue over Expenses

\$238,302

Westwind School for Performing Arts Student Demographic Percentages

Excludes PK Students

74 Total Active Students On Apr 11, 2023

NOTE: Program Field counts/percentages reflect the field values on Apr 11, 2023. Non-program field (504, Homeless, Migrant & Home Language) counts/percentages are based on the current values of these fields.

Building Gender Percentages

Gender	Gender Count	Gender Percentage
Females	52	70.27%
Males	22	29.73%
Gender - Total	74	100.00%

Building Primary Race Percentages

Race	Race Count	Race Percentage
Black	54	72.97%
Hispanic or Latino	2	2.70%
Two or More Races	3	4.05%
White	15	20.27%
Primary Race - Total	74	100.00%

Building Meal Status Percentages

Program Value - Student Program	Meal Status Count	Meal Status Percentage
01	20	27.03%
02	18	24.32%
03	16	21.62%
04	20	27.03%
Meal Status - Total	74	100.00%

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ENROLLMENT REPORT
Enrollment Date: Apr 11, 2023

Enrollment Count		06	07	08	Race Totals
Black	Females	12	15	9	36
	Males	5	6	7	18
	Gender Totals	17	21	16	54
Hispanic	Males		2		2
	Gender Totals		2		2
Two or More	Females		2	1	3
	Gender Totals		2	1	3
White	Females	2	5	6	13
	Males	1		1	2
	Gender Totals	3	5	7	15
Grade Totals		20	30	24	74

Meal Status Count by Building

Building: Westwind School for Performing Arts

Grade / Meal Status	01	02	03	04	Summary
06	6	7	4	3	20
07	9	6	6	9	30
08	5	5	6	8	24
Summary	20	18	16	20	74