

Unit Represented	Question from application being addressed (Provide question #)	Comments	Remaining Questions
Public School Accountability	#6	Although the applicant indicates that this is a blended model, it appears that it is more of a virtual model. Please provide more clarity.	
GT & AP	#8	<p>Note that an AP offering in each of four core areas of ELA, math, science and social studies is required.</p> <p>Ensure that AP teachers meet the training requirements set forth in Grading and Course Credit Rules. I am unfamiliar with the digital provider listed, but am aware of other schools who have struggled with teachers from digital providers not meeting the training requirements set forth for Arkansas AP teachers.</p>	
Curriculum	#10a	Grade Results curricula is not an Arkansas approved K-6 curriculum. See approved programs - https://dese.ade.arkansas.gov/offices/learning-services/curriculum-support/approved-science-of-reading-curriculum	
Curriculum	#10b	K-6 English Language Learner teachers also need to demonstrate proficiency. See guidance document - https://dese.ade.arkansas.gov/Files/AR_DESE_Reading_Legislation_Guidance_2022_20220322103403.pdf	
Curriculum	#10c	The assessor should be someone who serves in the role as a job performance evaluator (within the normal scope of his or her duties).	
School Counseling	#11	I am glad to see that you will be following the ASCA model. However, I do not see anything mentioned about Act 190, which is the law that governs the implementation of a comprehensive school counseling program. The law is based off of the ASCA National Model but varies on the use-of-time and has a few different components that are Arkansas specific. I would like to see a statement of assurance that law will be followed.	

Library Media	#12	Partnering with local libraries and having access to Overdrive digital books is a good move. However, mandatory inservice to train teachers (some of whom may not be licensed) in how to embed the library media standards into instruction does not equal the training that school librarian has in teaching the multiple literacies found within the library media standards.	
Special Education	#13a	I'm glad you plan to provide Child Find training for your staff so they understand their burden under the law. Your Child Find Plan needs to be more specific beyond what is listed here regarding general responsibilities and how you plan to advertise your child find activities to parents, and posted to your website when completed.	What is FLA's Child Find Plan? How will FLA let parents know about Child Find?
Special Education	#13b	Need more information about how FLA plans to provide the full continuum of special education services, based on individual student needs.	How will you ensure the full continuum of special education services, in the event that the general education classroom is not a student's LRE?
Special Education	#13c	FLA will also be required to follow federal law (IDEA) and this should be specifically mentioned, FAPE is a part of this. Also need a plan for how FLA will ensure these laws are implemented.	How will FLA ensure that state and federal laws are implemented?
Special Education	#13d	FLA should consider what contractors they will work with.	Who will provide related services in the event students need them?
Dyslexia	#14	Districts will need to have an approved K-12 Dyslexia Intervention program. See approved programs - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/e/2PACX-1vRPOaeNyeml2owVwZYfos1eT-TAmFBDq5C-t_sr2GDcPOdDsBOGk9cx92Rkk1qfGkouyws0yto02iv5/pubhtml?gid=0&single=true	
English Learners	#15a	Assuming that their understanding of what a Language Minority Student is aligns with AR expectations. Identification, screening, placement and parent notification must ALL take place within first 30 days of school year or within two weeks if later in the year. Parent notification must also be done annually and upon exit.	
English Learners	#15b	No mention of how using English Language Proficiency standards. Answer provided indicates how access to core will take place. It is not clear how specific English Language Development instruction will be provided to English Learners.	What is FLA's plan to provide English Language Development instruction (in addition to access to core content)?

English Learners	#15c	TransACT ParentNotices only provides a translation bank of form letters/notices commonly used in education.	How and when will FLA provide interpreters to parents with limited English? How will FLA provide translations of all school notices/communications sent home to English speaking parents to parents who are limited English speakers? (This includes student handbooks, newsletters, report cards, etc.)
GT & AP	#16	The A.C.A. references listed in the response are not the appropriate items to waive related to GT.	What data and personnel will be involved in determining who will receive services? Who will oversee the services provided to these students?
ALE Office	#17	Did not answer question. Described placement meeting, not how needs of student would be met. Only a 9th-12th grade Hybrid ALE Program Description classroom could possibly be approved.	Why was a waiver of ALE services not requested?
Licensure	#21	there should be or's in the requirements for AQT. As listed it looks like they will require a degree with 18 hours in the content and passing the exam when just one meets AQT requirements.	
Child Nutrition	#23	The school is not planning to serve meals through the NSLP or the SBP at this time. A.C.A. 6-18--705 is a waiver that allows schools to opt out of breakfast. the requirement to serve breakfast. This would need to be addressed on a yearly basis. There is no waiver to opt out of lunch. However, there is no requirement to serve lunch under this program.	Need to assure DESE CNU has contact information for them as they start meals in the future.
School Performance		No Concerns	
DCTE		Would like to confirm the school plans on meeting the CTE requirements in standards, as well at which courses/pathways will be offered grades 9-12	
Public School Accountability		Please rethink any reference to the Common Core State Standards. Familiarize yourself with the Arkansas Academic Standards.	
Public School Accountability		The applicant is asking for a waiver of both teacher licensure as well as class size/teaching load. Please explain the additional pay plan.	
Public School Accountability		The applicant is asking for a waiver of 5-D.1 Teacher Licensure, however, the Teacher Licensure Standard is 4-D.1.	
Finance	#32	The response to question #32 states the academy will employ a general business manager. The salary for this position is not included on the budget.	

Finance		On page 95, for year one, it states the school will receive \$7,018.00 per student. This amount is less than the standard.	
Finance		On page 95, it lists \$500,000.00 from APSRC grant for year one. Include a copy of the approval letter with the application.	