



SOMERSET ACADEMY OF ARKANSAS



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OUR VISION

OUR VISION EMPOWERS STUDENTS TO EXPLORE GLOBAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES TO PROMOTE AND ENRICH THEIR COMMUNITIES AND THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE.

OUR MISSION

SOMERSET ACADEMY INC. PROMOTES A TRANSFORMATIONAL CULTURE THAT MAXIMIZES STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF ACCOUNTABLE, GLOBAL LEARNERS IN A SAFE AND ENRICHING ENVIRONMENT THAT FOSTERS HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION.

HISTORY

- First Somerset Academy Charter School opened in Miramar, Florida. Motivated by parents frustrated with overcrowded schools in need of improvements.
- In only its second year of operation, Somerset Neighborhood's students achieved the highest Stanford Achievement Test mathematics scores in the state of Florida.
- Over the last twenty five years, Somerset Academy has expanded to serve over 42,000 students in 74 schools across Arizona, Florida, Nevada, and Texas.



HISTORY



- In 2009, Somerset Academy became the first network of public charter schools in the nation to earn Corporate accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools/ AdvancED for its proven commitment to quality and educational excellence.
- High schools within the network have been recognized in U.S. News WorldReport and Newsweek's "Best High Schools" lists.

Each campus has a unique and enriching educational program, tailored to the community and students they serve.





ACCOLADES

NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON AWARDS

- 2021- SOMERSET ACADEMY SILVER PALMS
- 2020- SOMERSET ACADEMY SOUTH MIAMI MIDDLE
- 2020- SOMERSET ACADEMY MIRAMAR SOUTH
- 2018- SOMERSET ACADEMY MIRAMAR
- 2017- SOMERSET ACADEMY DAVIE
- 2016- SOMERSET ARTS CONSERVATORY
- 2011- SOMERSET ACADEMY DAVIE



Somerset Academy, Inc. is a recipient of an FY2024 Charter Schools Program (CSP) Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter School Grant.



SOMERSET ACADEMY ARKANSAS

Somerset Academy has chosen Arkansas for its newest schools due to the state's commitment to educational growth.

Our presence aims to support Arkansas's efforts to provide high-quality education, enhancing opportunities for students and families.

We are dedicated innovative, student-focused that promote both academic and character development.

By working to partner with local educators, parents, and community leaders, we strive to create supportive, dynamic learning environments.

Our goal is to prepare students for success in college, career, and beyond, building a brighter future for Arkansas.

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UTILIZE DATA DRIVEN DECISIONS

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★ SOMERSET ACADEMY BENTONVILLE

EXCELLENCE in education

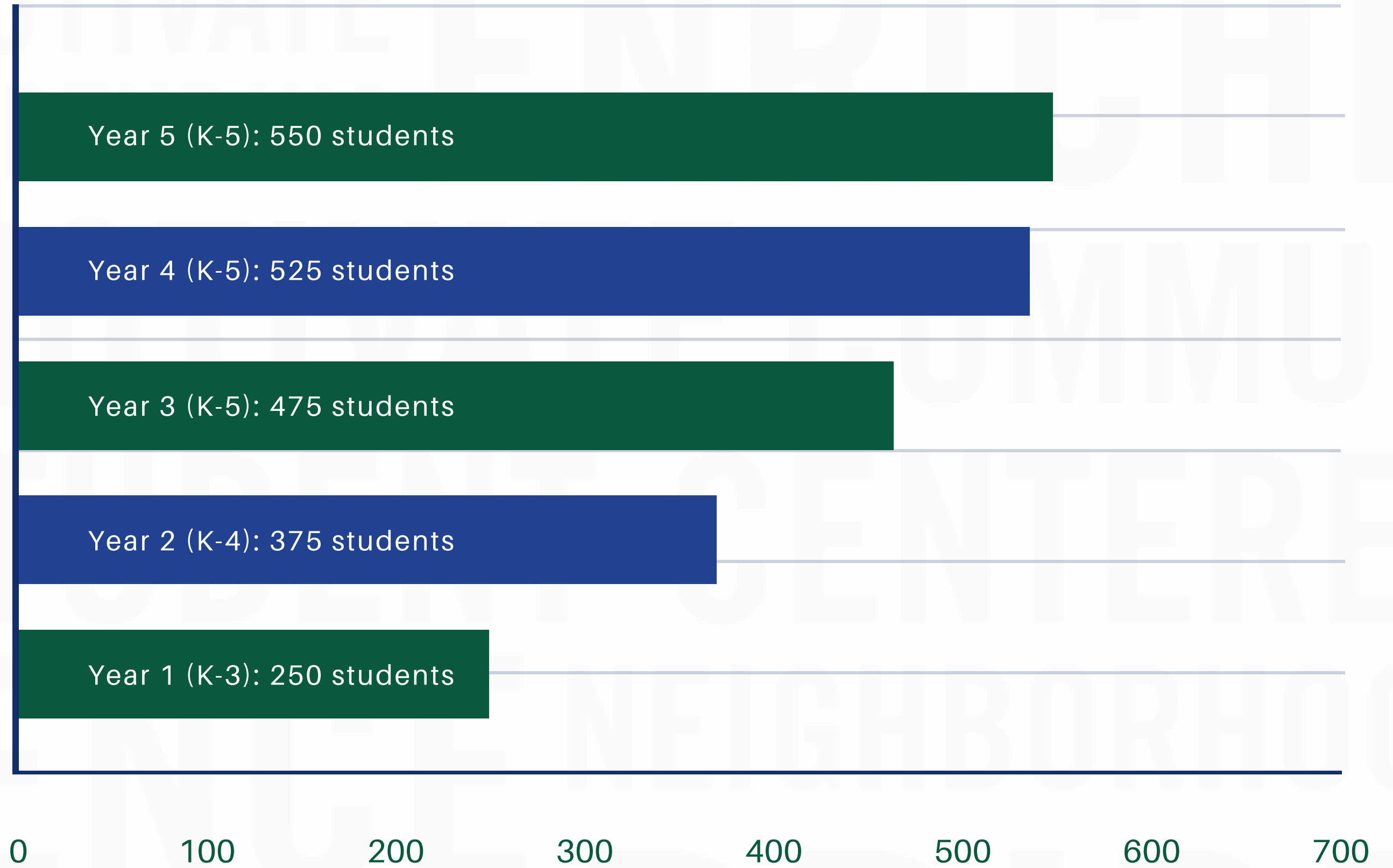
★ SOMERSET ACADEMY LITTLE ROCK

- Two Campuses
 - Somerset Academy Bentonville
 - Somerset Academy Little Rock
- Each campus will house three individual school IDs
 - K-5
 - 6-8
 - 9-12



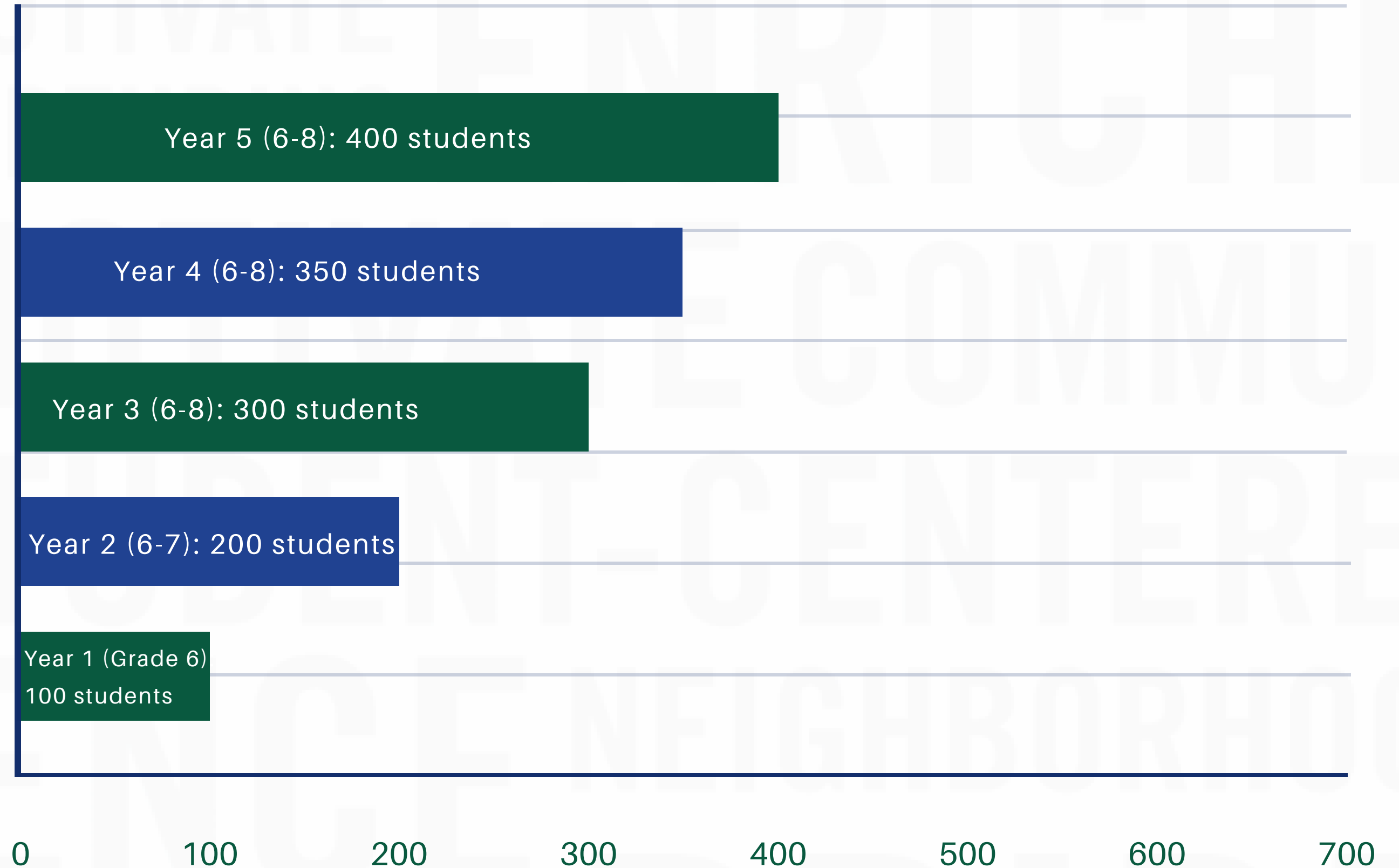


ELEMENTARY (K-5) PROJECTED ENROLLMENT NUMBERS



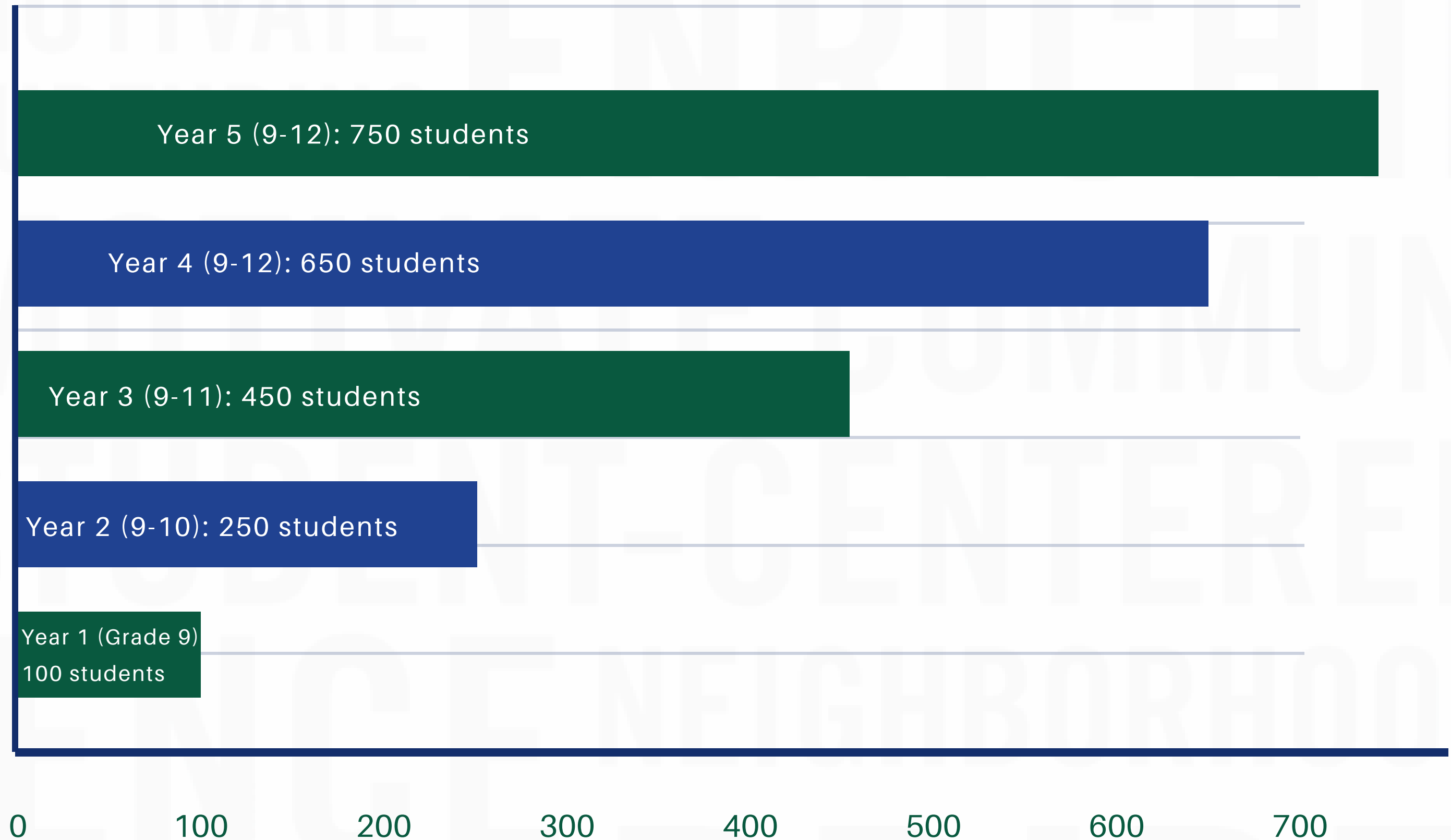


**MIDDLE SCHOOL
(6-8)
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HIGH SCHOOL (9-12) PROJECTED ENROLLMENT NUMBERS



WHO WE ARE



CURRICULUM



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Core Curriculum:

- English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies

Special Programs:

- Art, Music, Physical Education and Technology Integration

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Core Curriculum:

- Regular and Advanced English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies

Electives:

- ** Foreign Language, Computer Science, and Creative Arts

HIGH SCHOOL

Core Curriculum:

- College Preparatory English, Algebra, Geometry, Calculus, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and U.S. History

Advanced Programs:

- Advanced Placement (AP) Courses, Dual Enrollment Options, and Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathways

* ASSESSMENTS WILL INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- K-2 Assessments: Required district-administered assessments across three windows.
- ATLAS Interim & Summative: Interim assessments (Science) and summative assessments (ELA, Math, Science) for Grades 3-10.
- ELPA21: English proficiency test for English Learners (K-12).
- ACT WorkKeys (Grades 10-12): Career readiness certification assessment.
- Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM): Alternate assessment for students with significant cognitive disabilities.

ALL INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ARE RESEARCH-BASED AND OF HIGH QUALITY, ENSURING ALIGNMENT WITH ARKANSAS STANDARDS.

OUR COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE WITH ALL STUDENTS



Somerset Academy Inc. has successfully served various diverse populations across different communities.



We've demonstrated success with populations similar to those projected in Little Rock and Bentonville. We're dedicated to delivering an exceptional educational experience at both campuses.

OUTREACH

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Virtual Community Informational Meeting/Public Hearing

- Date: August 6th
- Format: Online, providing flexibility for participants to join from various locations
- Purpose: Overview of Somerset Academy's program offerings proposed for Arkansas
- Attendance: 23 participants logged in with one including a group watching together in an office

DIGITAL CAMPAIGN

Platforms: Facebook and Instagram

- Date: August 7th – August 13th, 2024
- Purpose: Assess parental interest in Little Rock and Bentonville

Total Reach:

- Bentonville Campus: 159 leads (106 K-5, 34 grades 5-8, 19 grades 9-12)
- Little Rock Campus: 100 leads (52 K-5, 27 grades 5-8, 21 grades 9-12)
- With a local founding board member and others with family ties in Arkansas, Somerset is committed to having a "boots on the ground" approach to marketing and outreach once approval has been granted.

ADMINISTRATOR AND TEACHER RECRUITMENT



LOCAL RECRUITMENT EVENTS

Somerset will host recruitment events in both Little Rock and Bentonville to engage with local talent and interested staff members.

INTERNAL TALENT POOL

As a large network of schools nationwide, we will first look within the Somerset Academy family to identify interested school leaders and **certified** teachers experienced in our educational model.

This approach ensures the Somerset model is implemented with fidelity and maintains our standards of excellence.

DIGITAL RECRUITMENT

We will utilize digital platforms to broaden our search and connect with potential candidates passionate about joining the Somerset team.

SAFETY AND SECURITY



Safety is a top priority at Somerset.

Somerset Academy of Arkansas is committed to maintaining strict safety policies and procedures.

Somerset's National Director of Safety collaborates with on-site school staff and security teams.

Staff members will receive appropriate training to ensure a secure environment.

Our Crisis Response Team will work with school administration and respond immediately to any issues that arise.

We actively build relationships with local law enforcement for enhanced security and cooperation.





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EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION



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