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Ms. Dorie Summons Charter School Office Arkansas Department of Education 4 State Capitol Mall Little Rock, AR

Dear Members of the Charter Authorizing Panel and Ms. Summons,

Please accept this letter of support on behalf of Real World Preparatory as they apply to the Arkansas Department of Education for an open-enrollment charter school in Northwest Arkansas in the fall of 2025.

Real World Preparatory represents a bold and innovative approach to education that aims to provide students with real-world learning experiences that align with their interests and career goals. The school's focus on experiential learning, internships, and partnerships with local businesses and organizations will equip students with the skills and knowledge needed to thrive in today's rapidly evolving workforce.

I strongly believe that Real World Preparatory will fill a critical gap in the educational landscape, offering students opportunities that extend beyond the traditional classroom. By connecting students with hands-on experiences, the school will help them build a deeper understanding of their chosen fields and foster a sense of purpose and direction in their academic and professional journeys.

As a supporter of Real World Preparatory, I am confident that this school will be an invaluable asset to the Northwest Arkansas community. It will provide students with the tools they need to succeed while also contributing to the growth and development of the region.

Thank you for considering this letter of support. I am eager to see Real World Preparatory make a positive impact on the lives of students in Northwest Arkansas.

Sincerely,

Crishell Johnson

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