
Board of Education

ACTION

TITLE: Consider Approval of the Application for Digital Learning Programs

DATE: June 27, 2022

RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR: Tiffany Bone
Assistant Superintendent

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VISION 2023 STRATEGY: Strategy 3: Instruction
Strategy 4: Learning Environment
Strategy 6: Technology

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) will continue to allow standards and regulation waivers for the virtual option to continue during the 2022-23 school year. This application removes the K-8th grade program, which is now served by Fort Smith Virtual Academy, and adds 9th-12th grade.

RECOMMENDATION:

If the Board agrees, the motion would read: *move to* approve the submission of the application for the digital learning programs to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

VISION 2023 STRATEGIES - **1. Career Planning:** Develop and implement education and career pathways so that each student graduates with a viable plan and relevant skill set for his or her future. **2. Equity:** Develop and implement a system-wide plan to provide all students with the resources they need to optimize their learning. **3. Instruction:** Design, develop and implement programs to promote rigor, relevance, collaboration, critical- thinking skills and learning environments designed to meet each student's unique needs and aspirations. **4. Learning Environment/Facilities:** Align resources, facilities and technology strategically and equitably across the district to maximize security and enhance the learning environment. **5. Staffing:** Recruit and retain highly-qualified faculty, staff and administration. **6. Technology:** Provide appropriate technology that is consistently available, effectively supported and equitably distributed for group and individual instruction. **7. Wellness:** Develop and train empathetic and nurturing employees to be sensitive to and supportive of the needs of all children and families.