

# *Freedom Learning Academy*

Serving Arkansas families with Choice



# ★ *Who are we?*

## Dr. Andrew Curry Director/CEO

BSE, MSE, Ed. S, Ed. D. Education Administrator, CEO

### Previously Served

- 28 year Arkansas public school educator
- High School Principal - 6 years
- Superintendent of Schools - 4 Arkansas School Districts: Cossotat River; Jessieville; Deer/Mt. Judea; Watson Chapel
- Iraqi Freedom Veteran with Army National Guard

### Currently Serving

- Director of Governmental Affairs for a thriving Arkansas business

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Mrs. Lindsey Graham  
Assistant Director

MSE Curriculum and Instruction

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## Previously Served

- Arkansas Elementary School Teacher
- Career Coach for North Ark Community College
- Digital Learning Instructor for Deer/Mt. Judea School District
- Director of Digital Learning
- Homeschool Mother

## Currently Serving

- Principal at Mt Judea School

# *Our Purpose*

Our purpose is simple. We support Arkansas taxpayers. We believe and advocate for parents to choose their child's educational path. We plan to offer support through multiple curricular choices and to learn anytime and anywhere by fulfilling every student's individual potential. We will personalize an educational plan that focuses on creating a dynamic school and family partnership.



# *What we are not?*

1. Enemy of the public school system.
2. Landing place for students who have no motivation or desire to learn.

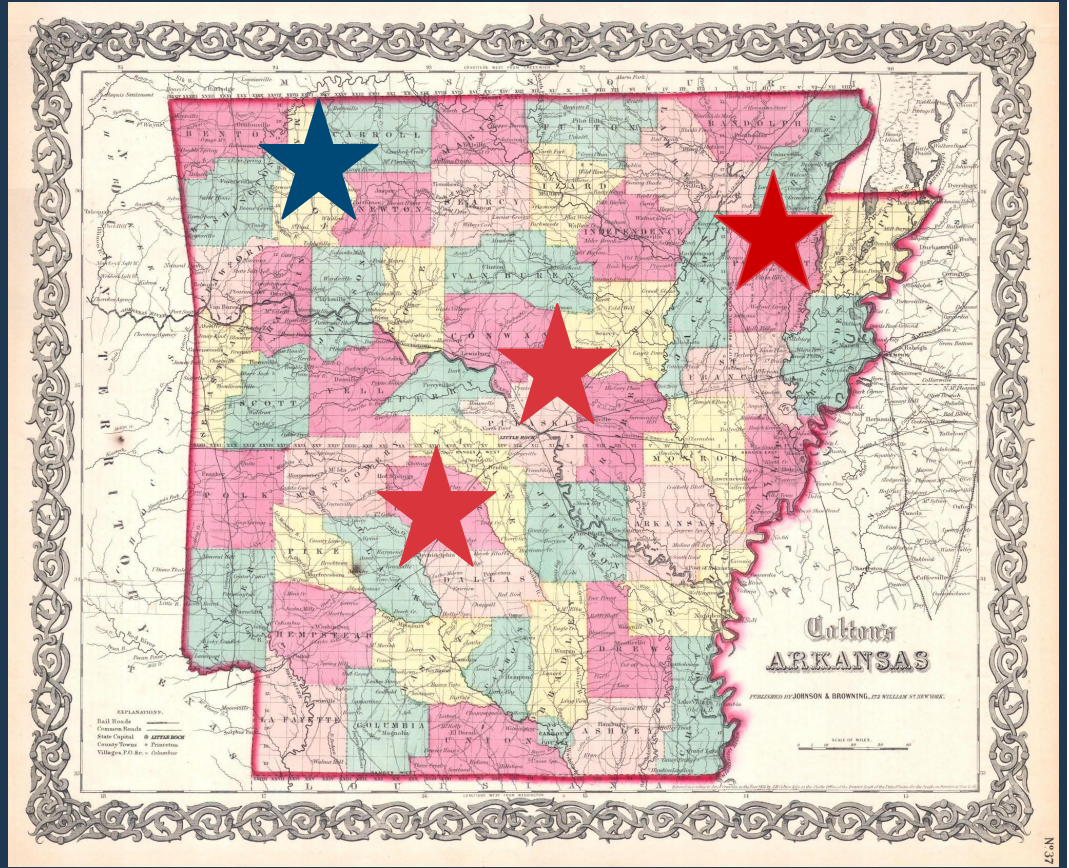
# *Primary Expectations*



OUR students will be required to take the same standardized testing as any Arkansas public school student. This will allow for significant data that can be studied and further shape the future of education.



# *Blended Learning Centers*



# ★ *Learning Models*

## **Blended School House Model**

- Serving students in grades 5-12
- Optional 2 days face to face instruction virtually, onsite, or home visits
- 3 days a week teachers conduct family support
- Learning Centers open daily for extra teaching and support.
- IDEA Services through Special Education to include: Speech/OT/PT

## **Career and College Advising**

- Creating High School Apprenticeships and dual enrollment courses with local community colleges
- Developing training partnerships with trades and businesses
  - Forging partnerships with Arkansas businesses
  - Concentrating on trades, industry & manufacturing, STEM related careers
- Academic opportunities for dual enrollment courses with local community colleges and universities
  - Tutoring and mentoring with a strong focus on financial literacy
  - Partnerships with career professionals in a work study program.





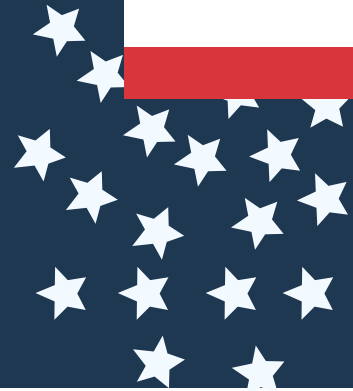
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- According to ADE's homeschool report statewide there were 20,331 students in 17-18 which has since increased to 30, 205 students in 21-22.
- To this point in Arkansas Education, there has not been comparison of testing from Arkansas public school students or those that learn in a different environment.
- FLA could be used in the long term as a research study to shape the future of education.

# ★ *Why Freedom Learning?*

## What sets us apart?

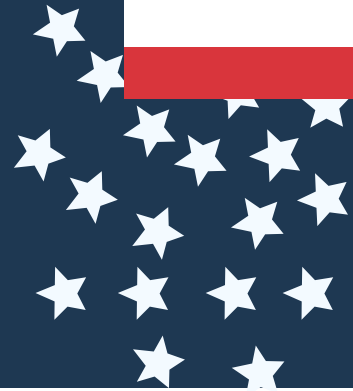
- We are the bridge between solely virtual and regular public school.
- Parental Choice
- Individual Learning
- FLA will give parents opportunities to be in contact with structured public school while maintaining their autonomy.
- Many homeschool families would appreciate a partnership to help their children reach their full potential and achieve their educational goals.
- Data Collection
- Focusing on creating individual learning plans for every student
- DESE approved digital learning curriculum monitored by certified Arkansas teachers.



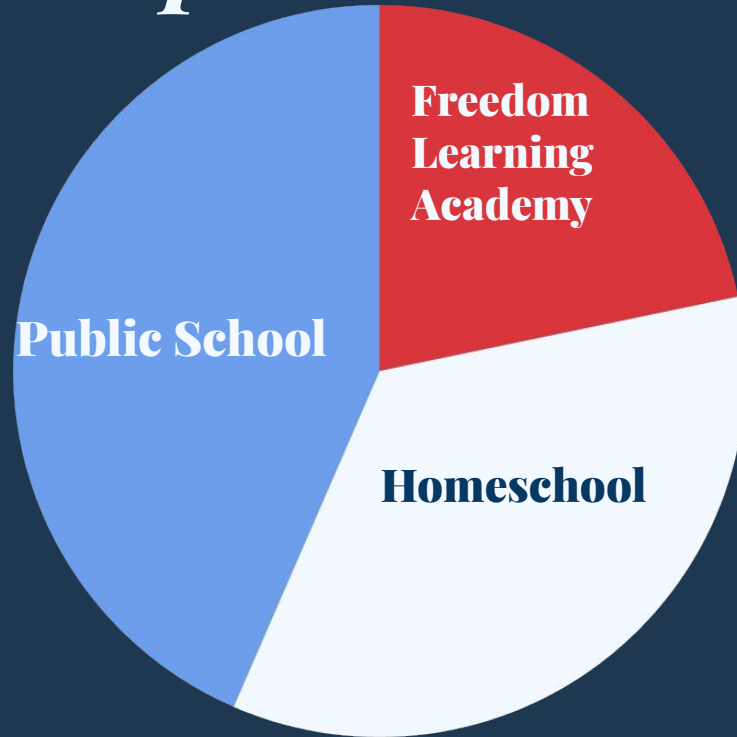
# ★ *Resources?*

## What do we offer?

- Learning Fund
- DESE approved digital learning curriculum
- Curriculum monitored by certified teachers.
- Science of Reading Assessor
- Dyslexia Screening
- Resource Center: tutoring, one-on-one help, socialization opportunities
- Materials: technology, text books, supplies
- Internet reimbursement
- Guest speakers and field trips
- Clubs that focus on career exploration and college planning
- Counseling services and student success plans



# ★ *Bridge the Gap*



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# *To Sum it all up...*

There are many families across our state that do an excellent job educating their children and would like to continue doing so without the state's help. However, there are many that would appreciate a partnership to help their children reach their full potential and achieve their educational goals.