Community Service Learning Community Partner Application for Local and State Board Approval

School District Information

- · Name of the School District Initiating this application: Greenwood School District
- Name of the district/school licensed faculty supervisor(s) with whom non-profit/community organizations will be working: Lisa Dean and Dr. Cody Chatman

Community Partner Information

- Name of non-profit/community organization: The United Way of Fort Smith Area
- Name of Director/ Contact Person: Eddie Lee Herndon
- Address: 120 North 13th, Fort Smith, AR 72901
- Phone Number: 479-782-1311
- Email Address: elherndon@unitedwayfortsmith.org
- Hours of operation: 8 AM- 4:30 PM
- What is the mission of the non-profit/community organization? The mission of the United Way of Fort Smith Area is to provide change in our area. We mobilize our community in ways that no single agency, individual, or government can to enhance the ability of people to care for one another. The United Way of Fort Smith Area addresses the needs important to people who live and work in Crawford, Franklin, LeFlore, Logan, Sebastian and Sequoyah counties by bringing the community together to address critical issues such as early learning and hunger, investing in programs that provide the education, childcare, shelter and food that people need to be successful, and encouraging people to contribute money and time to improve the communities we serve.
- Please <u>describe</u> the volunteer activities students will participate in at the non-profit/community organization and <u>how</u> those activities may connect to curriculum learning goals. The Act 648 implementation guide contains a breakdown of a few subject areas and goals. Students will participate as volunteers in a variety ways that are dependent upon the needs in the community. Some examples are: Fill the Bus by sorting and providing school supplies for local students, feeding the needy, sorting items for the Backpack Program that provides food on the weekends for students that face food insecurity, etc. These activities connect to curriculum learning goals by direct service and advocacy. Many social studies skills would be extended through the political, historic, and economic connections, civic engagement, social and political awareness, diversity issues, and critical thinking and problem solving components of community volunteerism. Students will gain compassion and empathy through contact with those who are dependent and vulnerable.
- What are the non-profit/community organization procedures and policies to ensure the safety
 of student volunteers? The United Way of Fort Smith Area agrees that no student should be left
 alone or volunteer without an adult present at all times.
- List any special considerations of the non-profit/community organization. None

Local School Board approval of this site as a district partner

Signature of school board president

3-12-20

Date of meeting at which site was approved

Return completed application and this form to

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