

## 2017 CHARTER SCHOOL PROPOSAL Letter of Intent and Demonstration of Eligibility

This letter of intent (LOI) serves to provide a formal notice to the Mississippi Charter School Authorizer Board (MCSAB) regarding our intention to submit a proposal for opening a charter school.

Name of applicant organization: Girls Club & Learning Center, Inc.  
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**We plan to apply as a:**

- New operator     
  Existing operator     
  Conversion operator

**Do any of the following describe your organization, or the school/campuses you will propose?**

- Seeks approval for multiple campuses under a single charter.  
 Already operates schools elsewhere in the US.  
 Will contract or partner with an education service provider.

If so, identify the provider:

- This provider already operates schools in this state or elsewhere in the US.

**Provide the names of all members of the applicant team (add lines as needed):**

Full Name	Current Job Title and Employer	Position with Proposed School
Ms. Mary Williams	Executive Director	Personnel Management

**Provide the names of all members of the proposed governing board of the school (add lines as needed):**

Full Name	Current Job Title and Employer	Position with Proposed School
Unknown at this time		

**Provide the names of all members of the proposed leadership team of the school (add lines as needed):**

Full Name	Current Job Title and Employer	Position with Proposed School
Unknown at this time		

**COMPLETE THIS PART FOR EACH SCHOOL/CAMPUS YOU INTEND TO PROPOSE. Duplicate as needed.**

Proposed School/Campus Name	Opening year	Grades served year one	Grades served at capacity
PHASE 4 Charter School	2018	Pre-K-5	Pre-K-5
Proposed Location			
School District: <small>Identify the school district where the charter school will be located.</small>	<u>Holmes County School District</u> <u>Greenwood Public School District</u>		

Model/Specialty (check all that apply)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alternative	<input type="checkbox"/> Career and Technical Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Disability (list):	<input type="checkbox"/> Montessori
<input type="checkbox"/> Arts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> College Prep	<input type="checkbox"/> Language Immersion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STEM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blended Learning	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (list):	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	
Proposed School Description			
Provide the mission statement of the proposed school.	<p>The mission of PHASE 4 Charter School is to educate students in grades pre-K through fifth grade to build the academic and character foundation necessary for success in the most demanding colleges and a life of active citizenship. All children, regardless of their backgrounds, deserve to receive a high-quality public education that prepares them to enter and graduate from the most competitive colleges. We recognize that demographics need not be the determinant of one's destiny, and we know that a college education is the key variable in breaking the chains of poverty. To enable all our students to graduate from a competitive four-year college, PHASE 4 will maintain a dual focus on solid academic instruction combined with mastery of personal discipline and character. We offer an academically rigorous program with dramatically more instructional time, allowing in the initial grades research curriculum.</p> <p>Our vision is to work closely with schools and communities to create great schools in every neighborhood that will prepare students for the 21<sup>st</sup> century and beyond. PHASE 4 Charter School will ensure success for all students, beginning with their entrance into our school. Upon entrance, PHASE 4 will provide our families and students with a nurturing environment that fosters success for all. PHASE 4 Charter School will work leadership team that will assist the charter school staff in implementing the PHASE 4 design.</p>		
In 100 words or less, briefly describe the instructional focus of the proposed school.	<p>The instructional focus of the proposed PHASE 4 Charter School will align with state and national learning standards and address the values within the charter mission statement. This will be accomplished through theory, scholarly research, and best practices that: (1) strikes a balance between teacher-directed instruction and student-centered learning; (2) encourages cooperative learning, where students learn together but are responsible for demonstrating individual knowledge; (3) provides opportunity for students to engage in experiential project-based learning that encompasses critical thinking, academic and technical skills and (4) incorporates effectively various forms of technology and visual performing arts within the instructional process.</p>		

**Certification**

We understand that upon receipt of this letter and accompanying documentation, the MCSAB will evaluate our organization and applicant team against the legal eligibility requirements to determine whether we are eligible to hold a charter in the state of Mississippi.

We further understand that in order to be considered in this RFP cycle, we must submit a complete proposal by 3pm CST on March 7, 2017.

I certify that I have the authority to submit this LOI and that all information contained herein is complete and accurate, realizing that any misrepresentation could result in disqualification from the application process. The person named as the contact person for the application is so authorized to serve as the primary contact for this application on behalf of the organization.

Ms. Mary Williams, ED/CEO

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Name, Role with Applicant Organization

*Mary Williams*  
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Signature

*3/3/2017*  
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Date