

2018 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: Ambition Preparatory Charter School
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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
DeArchie Scott	Lead Founder, Ambition Prep	Head of School
Dr. Elayne H. Anthony	Chair of the Journalism and Media Studies Department, Jackson State University	Board Member
Laquala Coleman, Ph.D.	Dean of Students, Jackson State University	Board Member
Andreanna Jones	Attorney, Alexander Law, P.A.	Board Member
Aggie Sikora	Trade and Development Consultant, Mississippi Development Authority	Board Member
Thomas Wetzel	Regional Operations Specialist, Teach For America Mississippi	Board Member
Antwon D. Woods, Ph.D.	Adjunct Professor, Belhaven University; CEO, Antwon and Constance Woods Family Foundation	Board Member

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

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DeArchie Scott	Lead Founder, Ambition Prep	Head of School

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
Ambition Preparatory	2019	K and 1 st	K-8 th
Proposed Location			
School District: <i>Identify the school district where the charter school will be located.</i>	Jackson Public School District		

Model/Specialty (check all that apply)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Alternative <input type="checkbox"/> Arts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blended Learning	<input type="checkbox"/> Career and Technical Education <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> College Prep <input type="checkbox"/> Other (list):
<input type="checkbox"/> Disability (list): <input type="checkbox"/> Language Immersion <input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Montessori <input type="checkbox"/> STEM
Proposed School Description	
Provide the mission statement of the proposed school.	Through high-quality instruction, intensive academic supports, and hard work Ambition Preparatory Charter School ensures that all students in kindergarten through eighth grade have the academic skills and self-discipline for high school, college, and life success.
In 100 words or less, briefly describe the instructional focus of the proposed school.	Ambition Prep offers a college preparatory model that firmly ensures students develop the academic skills, social awareness, and professional habits to thrive in high school and college. In response to the current literacy levels in our community, we primarily focus on literacy. We ensure our students are proficient in reading, writing, and speaking. Our model innovatively focuses on the development of our students' oral communication skills through intensive oral language instruction as well as speech and debate programming. Ambition Prep is committed to our students being set on path for college success from the first day of kindergarten.

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 May 8, 2018.

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.

DeArchie Scott, Lead Founder, Proposed Head of School

Name, Role with Applicant Organization

03/06/18

DeArchie Scott

Signature

Date