

## 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:**

Gordon-Turner Preparatory Academy, Inc.

**Primary contact person:**

Dedrick Sims

**Mailing address:**

**Street/PO**

**Box:** 3525 Barnett Avenue

**City:** Moss Point

**State:** MS

**Zip:** 39563

**Phone Number:** **Day:** 303-513-4723

**Evening:** Same

**Email:** dedrick@sffoundation.org

**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
George Williams	CEO Tangi Academy	Co-Principal: Academics/Instruction
Nicole Williams	CFO Tangi Academy	Co-Principal: Operations
Tranell Barnett	Legislative Aide (New Orleans Metropolitan Association of REALTORS)	Board President
Jerri Hopkins	Retired	Board Vice-President
Joy Braud	Educator (Jefferson Parish Schools)	Board Secretary
Sam White	Solution Support Manager (Cysco Systems)	Board Treasurer

**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
Tranell Barnett	Legislative Aide (New Orleans Metropolitan Association of REALTORS)	Board President
Jerri Hopkins	Retired	Board Vice-President
Joy Braud	Educator (Jefferson Parish Schools)	Board Secretary
Sam White		Board Treasurer

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
George Williams	CEO Tangi Academy	Co-Principal: Academics/Instruction
Nicole Williams	CFO Tangi Academy	Co-Principal: Operations

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
Gordon-Turner College Preparatory Academy	2019	6-8	6-12
Proposed Location			
<b>School District:</b> Identify the school district where the charter school will be located.	Moss Point School District		

**Model/Specialty (check all that apply)**

- |   |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| <input 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 type="checkbox"/> Blended Learning | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (list):                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Military           |  |

**Proposed School Description**

Provide the mission statement of the proposed school.	The mission of Gordon-Turner College Preparatory Academy (GTCPA) is to foster innovation and curiosity using a rigorous college preparatory, personalized learning program, with a focus in science, technology, engineering, and math.
In 100 words or less, briefly describe the instructional focus of the proposed school.	GTCPA will offer a rigorous college preparatory and integrated STEM learning experience using Project-Based Learning, Movement-Based Learning, Service-Learning, and Direct-Instruction.

**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.

Joy Braud, Board Secretary

~~Name, Role with Applicant Organization~~

~~Signature~~

3/6/18

Date