

Solicitation of Input – 2019 Summer Cycle

Proposal: Las Vegas Collegiate Academy

County: Clark

Proposed Location – 89106, Historic West Side Community

CCSD Schools in target area – West Prep, Williams, Hoggard, Kelly, Carson, Booker, Detwiler, Gilbert, Mackey Elementary Schools

First Year K-1st – 162 students

Second Year K-2nd – 243 students

School District Input:

1. Please provide any data as to overcrowding in the zip code where the school is proposing to locate.

Zip Code- 89106

Booker, Kermit R. Sr. Elementary School,	NSPF 2,	88.95% of Capacity,
Carson, Kit Elementary School,	NSPF 2,	77.91% of Capacity,
Detwiler, Ollie Elementary School,	NSPF 2,	96.66% of Capacity,
Hoggard, Mabel Elementary School,	NSPF 4,	98.27% of Capacity,
Kelly, Matt Elementary School,	NSPF 1,	94.09% of Capacity,
Charles I. West, Preparatory Institute for Academic Excellence Elementary School, (West Prep ES)	NSPF 2,	91.48% of Capacity,
Williams, Wendell P. Elementary School,	NSPF 1,	70.90% of Capacity,

2. Does the School District’s Capital Improvement Plan include any plans to add new schools or add additional capacity to existing schools within the community in which the applicant proposes to locate?

As part of the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, CCSD has invested substantially in the “Historic Westside” 89106 zip code to address much-needed capacity and modernization needs.

In 2018, CCSD completed construction of the new Charles I. West Preparatory Institute for Academic Excellence Elementary School building in the historic Westside neighborhood. A replacement of Mabel Hoggard Elementary School is scheduled for completion for the 2021-2022 school year. Mabel Hoggard is a Math and Science Magnet Program, and once completed, the new building will provide approximately 250 additional magnet seats. Additionally, Jo Mackey Elementary School is a Leadership and Global Communication Magnet Program located within the Westside neighborhood. A complete facility replacement is underway and scheduled to open in the 2020-2021 school year as a K-8 magnet program. Building additions were completed in 2018 at Ollie Detwiler Elementary School.

- 3. As you know, the SPCSA approved the Academic and Demographic Needs Assessment on July 26, 2019. Our staff and board will be evaluating the degree to which the applicant aligns with the identified needs. Please provide any input as to how this applicant does or does not meet identified needs in the community. If district staff or Board of Trustees has had prior communications with this applicant, please provide any relevant information or details from that communication that might be useful to the SPCSA in making an informed decision regarding the application.**

Demographics - Applicant does clearly propose a school model that includes demonstrated capacity or credible plans, to intentionally serve the following student populations, each of which have on aggregate, historically underperformed based on data provided by the Nevada Department of Education: Students qualifying for free or reduced-price lunch, English learners, and students with IEPs. As stated in the proposed application, the school is specifically targeting a population based on socioeconomics. The applicant has not demonstrated the capacity in which it previously successfully supported these student populations in achieving academic performance at or above the State average.

Academic Need: Geographies with 1- and 2-Star schools - Applicants meeting this need will seek to provide access to 3-, 4-, and 5-Star schools in zip codes where students are attending a 1- or 2-Star school. The applicant's proposed location in the "Historic Westside" of Las Vegas does meet the criteria of geographies with 1- and 2- Star schools, but the proposed location already has a variety of both charter and public options, to include magnet schools. The application presents no proof of the founding board having successfully implement a program of this type elsewhere.

There is no knowledge of official communication between the Clark County School District (CCSD) staff or the CCSD Board of Trustees with this applicant.

- 4. Are there currently any schools providing a similar educational model in the community in which the applicant proposes to locate? If yes, please provide any relevant information on the current school(s) with similar educational models that are available to students in the community.**

The Las Vegas Collegiate application does specify scientifically based research for their proposed school model. With that being stated, CCSD believes that existing schools in the proposed locations do offer similar type of opportunities.

5. Is there any other additional information you wish to provide?

Provided below is the rubric the Clark County School District staff used to evaluate the Las Vegas Collegiate Academy application.

Assessment	Criteria	Findings
Demographics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch; • English learners; and • Students with an Individualized Education Program (IEP). 	Meets
Academic Geographies	Geographies with 1- and 2-Star schools.	Meets
Social Emotional	Ability to address the social and emotional needs of stated demographics.	Meets
Academic Learning Models	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stated Learning Model – Small group learning, two teacher model and blended education. • Direct Instruction – Applicant stated actual application of direct instruction. • Experiential Learning – Applicant stated actual application of experiential learning. • Collaborative Projects – Applicant stated actual application of collaborative projects. • Hands-on Learning – Applicant stated actual application of hands-on learning. 	Meets
Financial Plan	Financial plan aligns with requirements of application financial criteria.	Meets
Successful History	School has successfully implemented a similar school model elsewhere.	Does Not Meet
Overall Rating		Meets