



**Submission #: 11**

**Is More Than One Person Making This Submission?**

**Name:**

1. Name: Patsy Calamese

**Other Names on Submission:**

2. Name:
3. Name:
4. Name:
5. Name:

**Role(s):**

Community Member

**What is your Proposal Summary?**

My proposal is to find a building in the WLR community to accommodate those students. By doing so allows LR West to continue to be the great school that it is!

**Detailed Proposal:**

**Financial Impact to LRSD**

## **Other Considerations (Optional)**



**Submission #: 28**

**Is More Than One Person Making This Submission? No**

**Name:**

1. Name: Jennifer Glasgow

**Other Names on Submission:**

2. Name:
3. Name:
4. Name:
5. Name:

**Role(s):**

Community Member

**What is your Proposal Summary?**

Transition Western Hills to a nature preschool that would provide experiences in and with nature, and help children develop concern for the natural world.

**Detailed Proposal:**

Western Hills Elementary is located on 14 acres and surrounded by trees, making it an ideal setting for a nature preschool. The school also has a garden on campus.

Across the street from the school is Western Hills City Park, home to a custom natural playground, a fishing pond, and a gleaning garden operated by the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance. These nearby amenities would be the perfect complement for

Currently, only two nature preschools serve the Little Rock area, and they are located in west Little Rock or west of the city limits. A nature preschool incorporates animals, plants, water, and other aspects of the natural world to meet the goals of child development and conservation values. Providing young children with regular access to nature improves physical and mental health, develops social-emotional skills, and better prepares children for school. It also helps children develop connections to nature and their communities. This program can enroll students aged three through kindergarten and charge market rate tuition, which is \$700 a month or more.

Potential partners for this effort include the City of Little Rock Parks Department, the Little Rock Zoo, and existing school partner UA Division of Agriculture Research and Extension.

#### **Financial Impact to LRSD**

Tuition should result in a revenue-neutral financial impact.

#### **Other Considerations (Optional)**



**Submission #: 55**

**Is More Than One Person Making This Submission? No**

**Name:**

1. Name: Janice Wilson

**Other Names on Submission:**

2. Name:
3. Name:
4. Name:
5. Name:

**Role(s):**

Other

**What is your Proposal Summary?**

Add infant and toddler programs.

**Detailed Proposal:**

Western Hills Elementary School and MLK Elementary School should add Infant and toddlers to their programs, such as the program for infants/toddlers and early childhood at Rockefeller Elementary.

An infant and toddler program would appeal to parents who work at Arkansas Children's Hospital or in the downtown area.

Offer parents the opportunity to transfer older siblings to the same school.

**Financial Impact to LRSD**

Truthfully, I am not sure!

The infant and toddler program could be:

- fee based
- accept vouchers

Even though extra staff and other expenses must be considered.

**Other Considerations (Optional)**