

## **Letter of Intent Form**

All applicants are required to submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) indicating their intent to apply for a charter with Education One. The Letter of Intent Form must be submitted, prior to submitting an initial proposal. Please send all completed documentation via email to:

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Executive Director, Education One

**Note:** Submission of the Letter of Intent (LOI) does not obligate a school to submit an initial proposal to Education One. However, schools should be advised that the LOI is subject to Indiana's Public Access Laws, including public records requests.

Name of Proposed Charter School			
The (Indiana)	Microschool Collaborative		

Proposed Charter School Location					
Street Address: Multiple Locations	- Headquarters wi	Il initially be - 10320 E 250	) N		
City: Charlottesville	State: IN	Zip Code: 46117	School District: Eastern Hancock		

Legal Name of Group Applying for Charter/Contact Information				
Group Name: The MicroSchool Collaborative, Inc.	Primary Contact Person: George Philhower			
Primary Contact Email: philhowerg@gmail.com	Primary Contact Cell Phone: 7650-620-4142			
Has the legal group applying for charter authorization obtained (or in the process of obtaining) 501c3 status? In the process.				

## **Planned Year of Opening**

Year of Opening (Fall 2023 or later): Fall 2025

As a micro-school, we will not face the traditional barriers that often delay opening new schools. The unique nature of our model allows for quicker upstart and scalability compared to larger, traditional schools. Additionally, we will have the support of Scott Bess and the Indiana Charter Innovation Center, providing us with the guidance and resources necessary to learn, grow, and scale rapidly.

We are actively exploring various micro-school partnership types. Our initial focus in fall 2025 will be to launch traditional public micro-school partnerships because we can do this within our current structures. We would like to

have the ability to establish charter partnerships as soon as possible to expand our reach and impact and increase the choices available to families.

## **School Information**

Proposed Model: Briefly describe the proposed school model and how this model addresses innovation in education.

The Indiana Microschool Collaborative will establish a network of microschools designed to personalize education by inviting families—including students themselves—as co-designers in their learning experience. This collaborative approach ensures that education is tailored to each student's unique needs, strengths, and aspirations, creating a more meaningful and engaging learning environment.

Our microschools emphasize competency-based, career-connected, and project-based learning, enabling students to master skills through hands-on, real-world applications. We aim to create a model that prioritizes innovation, adaptability, and student agency by fostering strong relationships among students, families, educators, and community partners.

Over time, our goal is to influence a broader shift toward innovative, student-focused practices within traditional school buildings, ultimately transforming education to serve all learners better.

Mission of Proposed Charter School: In one or two sentences, provide a clear statement that defines the purposes and nature of your school.

Revolutionizing education by establishing, supporting, and scaling micro-schools as a catalyst for community-driven, student-centered, and future-focused learning—transforming traditional school models into environments where every educator and child wakes up excited to teach, learn, and grow.

Grade Level and Enrollment Projections						
Grade	Year 1: 2025-26	Year 2: 2026-27	Year 3: 2027-28	Year 4: 2028-29	Year 5: 2029-30	
Kindergarten	5	25	100	250	500	
First	5	25	100	250	500	
Second	5	25	100	250	500	
Third	5	25	100	250	500	
Fourth	5	25	100	250	500	
Fifth	5	25	100	250	500	
Sixth	5	25	100	250	500	
Seventh	5	25	100	250	500	
Eighth	5	25	100	250	500	
Ninth	5	25	100	250	500	
Tenth	5	25	100	250	500	

Eleventh	5	25	100	250	500
Twelfth	5	25	100	250	500
Total	65	325	1300	3250	6500

These projections reflect anticipated enrollment for charter school partnerships, which we believe will represent a smaller portion of our student population initially but may grow to become the majority within five years. Including both charter and traditional public school partnerships, we are confident in reaching a total enrollment of 10,000 students by 2030.

Additional Information	
Is the charter school a start-up school or an existing school? Start-up	
For all existing schools, please answer the questions below:	
1. First Year of Operation:	
2. Current Authorizer or Chartering Agency:	
3. Charter Renewal Year:	
Does the school currently work with or plan to work with a management organization?	
<ol> <li>Name of Management Organization: The Microschool Collaborative, Inc.</li> </ol>	
2. Number of Years with Management Organization (for existing schools): 0	
3. Is the Management Organization a not-for-profit provider?: In the process	

Signature of Applicant's Authorized Representative

Date