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## **Arkansas Military & First Responders Academy to Officially Open in Little Rock**

*New high-quality academic charter school, Arkansas Military & First Responders Academy, announces plans to begin operations in August 2023*

LITTLE ROCK, AR. January 3, 2023- Arkansas Military & First Responders Academy (AMFRA) will be a first of its kind high school serving 9<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. AMFRA embraces a rigorous academic culture while preparing students for the military and first responders' industries.

The new charter school has announced plans to open its doors to the public in August 2023. AMFRA is located on a 25-acre site, 10710 Interstate 30 in Little Rock.

*"I'm excited about AMFRA because it is exactly what is needed in Southwest Little Rock. It is going to have a profound impact not only on our community, but the next generation of students. This school will challenge the status quo and deliver an all-encompassing quality education. It will prepare and empower our students for future educational and career opportunities that are in high demand" stated AMFRA Board President, Sharmin Moody.*

The new purpose-driven school's mission is for students to enter a place of learning and leave with the knowledge of how to better serve their community. AMFRA will deliver a college-prep, STEM-based curriculum with a special emphasis on pre-engineering and coding. The school aims to make a difference by partnering with first responder agencies in Little Rock to provide career awareness, exploration, and learning opportunities to ensure student readiness. Students will have access to paid internship opportunities and the JROTC program.

This school opening in Little Rock is a historical moment, as it offers a unique and all-inclusive approach to education championed by an experienced team of professionals. Arkansas Military & First Responders Academy is a career-readiness school, as well as a college preparatory school; a combination that stands out from any similar institution in the state.

For further information about Arkansas Military & First Responders Academy and the resources offered by the charter school, visit - [www.amfra9-12.org](http://www.amfra9-12.org).

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