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:

Lindsay Omlor
Lindsay@education1.org
Managing Director, Education One, LLC.

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

Cato Classical Academy

Proposed Charter School Location

Street Address:
Fisher and Noblesville Area

City: Fisher – Noblesville
State: IN
Zip Code: 46060
School District: Noblesville SD, and Hamilton SE SD.

Legal Name of Group Applying for Charter/Contract Information

Group Name: Classical Charter Schools of Indiana, Inc (non-profit)
Point of Contact name: Dr. Doug Ballinger
Point of Contact Email: DrBallingerClassical@gmail.com
Point of Contact Cell Phone: 765-667-9431

Planned Year of Opening

Year of Opening (Fall 2020 or later):
Fall 2021

School Information

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

As a lifelong educator and former Head of School for a Classical Christian K8 school, I saw first-hand the impact the Classical model can make on scholars, families and our community. The well-rounded education, focus on the liberal arts, natural transitions along the Trivium and
blend of high academic expectations and a focus on values and virtues education are all needed in Indiana’s public school sector. A private Classical education can be expensive and unattainable for many lower and middle-class families. The Charter school movement in Indiana is about bringing choice to families and our board believes that it is our mission to bring Cato Classical Academy to the families of north Indianapolis.

Our model will focus on academic and social and emotional skills that prepare our scholars for the future.

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

At Cato Academy of Excellence our mission is to prepare a diverse scholar population with an educational foundation for success in life. Academics are blended with the principles of virtuous living, traditional learning, and civic responsibility.

We accomplish this by partnering with parents to provide a rigorous, time tested classical education. We strive to equip and train our teachers with academically excellent tools with the goal of instilling a lifelong love of learning.

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### Additional Information

Is the charter school a start-up school or an existing school?
- **Start-up school**

For all existing schools, please answer the questions below:
1. First Year of Operation:
2. Current Authorizer or Charting Agency:
3. Charter Renewal Year:

Does the school currently work with or plan to work with a management organization? **No**

1. Name of Management Organization:
2. Number of Years with Management Organization (for existing schools):

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**Signature of Applicant's Authorized Representative**

**Douglas E. Ballenger, Ph.D.**

**Date**

2/26/20