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Ascend Leadership Academy Announces Launch of Remote Academy for Middle School Students

Sanford, NC – Ascend Leadership Academy, a North Carolina Charter School, is excited to announce the addition of a new Remote Academy to our educational offerings. Starting in the 2024-25 school year, ALA will offer a comprehensive virtual learning program for students in grades 6 through 8. This initiative was recently approved by the North Carolina Charter School Review Board and is aligned with the recently passed House Bill 259-2023.

ALA's Remote Academy is designed to provide a flexible and engaging learning environment for middle school students who prefer or require an alternative to traditional in-person instruction. This fully virtual program allows students to learn from home while receiving the same high-quality education and support as their peers attending in-person classes.

Key Features of ALA's Remote Academy:

Flexible Learning Experience: Our Remote Academy offers a personalized learning experience using the online curriculum, Imagine Edgenuity. This curriculum is aligned to North Carolina state standards and students will have access to a variety of digital resources, interactive lessons, and real-time feedback from certified teachers.

Supportive Learning Environment: Our dedicated team of educators and support staff will ensure that students receive continuous guidance and support. From academic advising to technical assistance, we are committed to helping each student succeed in the virtual learning environment.

Extracurricular Opportunities: Even in a virtual setting, students will have access to all of the extracurricular activities and clubs offered at ALA, allowing them to explore their interests, develop new skills, and connect with peers.

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Parental Involvement: We believe that strong partnerships with parents are essential for student success. The Remote Academy will offer regular communication, resources, and support to keep parents informed and involved in their child's education.

"We are excited for the opportunity to expand our program to more students through our Remote Academy. It is just another way we plan to empower our students for the 21st Century." said Justin Smith, Managing Director of Ascend Leadership Academy. "This new program will not only make ALA accessible to more students in the area but also ensure they receive a robust and comprehensive education aligned with our current program."

Enrollment for the Remote Academy will be separate from the brick and mortar academy and all interested will need to apply starting on June 1st via SchoolMint. Interested families can visit our website at www.ascendleadershipacademy.org or contact the main office at (919) 842-5411 for more information.

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****About Ascend Leadership Academy:****

Ascend Leadership Academy is a transformative public charter school in Sanford, North Carolina dedicated to providing a high-quality, student-centered education. Our mission is to develop successful student leaders by growing their self-efficacy, intellectual understanding, and social competence. Through innovative programs including Project Based learning and Digital Media curriculums. ALA also has a commitment to community engagement, we seek to empower students for the 21st Century.