

ARKANSAS LEARNS

Sam Sanders

EDUCATE KIDS

In AR, only **35%** of third graders can read at grade level – a proven indicator of future success

Governor Sanders will create a **unified system** to expand access to **high-quality education** from birth – 12th grade

Career Ready Diploma
A dual-track, equally rigorous diploma that will prepare students to take on high-paying jobs in the workforce upon graduation

Workforce Dashboard
Online resources for job seekers to find available jobs and required training in their region

Community Service
Students must complete 75 hours to graduate high school

Course Choice Catalog
A catalog of available courses for students to enroll in, allowing students to take courses across the state

120 | **literacy coaches** deployed across the state to maximize student learning

K-3 students struggling to read at grade level will be eligible for \$500 per year for **supplemental education services**

\$500 PER KID PER YEAR

3RD GRADE | Before advancing to 4th grade, students must be able to read at a 3rd grade level

⊗ **No Critical Race Theory** or indoctrination

EMPOWER PARENTS

EDUCATION FREEDOM ACCOUNT

- ⊙ Three year, phased-in approach to fund students
- ⊙ Every family can **choose the school** that serves their kid best
- ⊙ Universal choice for **all families by 2025-2026**

Innovative Transportation Fund
Modernized transportation routes & resources

No limit on the number of charters
No limit on the number of school choice transfers

RECRUIT & RETAIN GOOD TEACHERS

Current minimum base salary

Gov. Sanders will increase it to

\$36,000 → **\$50,000**
48th in the nation → **4th in the nation**

- Provide for **12 weeks** of paid maternity leave
- **Repeal** the Teacher Fair Dismissal Act
- **Reward good teachers** with up to \$10,000 bonuses
- **Expand school safety initiatives**
 - Crisis Response Training
 - Mental Health Awareness Training

15,249 & **ALL**

Arkansas teachers will **receive a raise** to the minimum & Arkansas teachers will receive a raise