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Dear Dr. Primack,

**Charisse Dean**  
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The Division of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) has completed its review of the proposal submitted by University of Arkansas Fayetteville to redesign the Master of Education in educational leadership program. I am pleased to inform you that DESE has approved this program of study, which can be implemented beginning immediately. Candidates may be recommended for Principal P-12 licensure upon completion of the prescribed program of study and the required licensure assessments.

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Thank you for providing professional education programs in your area of the state to serve the schools and students of Arkansas. Best wishes for the continued success of University of Arkansas Fayetteville's educational leadership program.

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Sincerely,

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