

## **Creative City Public Charter School** *Abstract*

Creative City Public Charter School will be a K-5 elementary school opening in fall 2012 with K-2. It is the mission of the Creative City Public Charter School (CCPCS) to use Baltimore City's natural and built environments and communities as a learning foundation. Teachers, students and parents will share governance and cooperate on curriculum and community decisions, and will build on the inquisitive nature of children to drive the project-based arts-integrated curriculum, developing self-directed critical thinkers. The young people who are educated at CCPCS will be collaborative learners and creative thinkers who will become leaders, active citizens, effective communicators and good stewards of their environment.

Planning, Program Design and Implementation funds are requested from the US Department of Education under grant #84-282B by the Creative City Public Charter School Foundation, Inc., led by Board President Elizabeth Ridlington, of 1022 W. 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Baltimore, MD, 21211, and reachable at ERidlington@yahoo.com or 443-742-1647. Creative City has applied for its charter from the Baltimore City Public School System's Office of New Initiatives, located at 201 E. North Avenue, Baltimore, MD, 21202, and under the jurisdiction of the Maryland State Department of Education, located at 200 W. Baltimore St., Baltimore, MD, 21201. (Under PL section 5202D(1), Maryland developers are not eligible for grant #84-282B, but due to MSDE's documentation that they do not have enough remaining funds from their 2007 grant to run a state competition, please grant a waiver.)