



# HAAS HALL ACADEMY

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Tuesday, March 26, 2019

Johnny Key, Commissioner  
Arkansas Department of Education  
Four Capitol Mall  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Commissioner Key:

Haas Hall Academy is requesting a waiver from Standard 4- E.2 for District Student/Guidance Counselor Ratio and Standard 4-C.2 Principal Licensure Requirements for the remainder of the 2018.2019 school term. Larry Henry and Marilyn Schoppmeyer are incredibly talented Headmasters for our academic community.

Haas Hall Academy is requesting a waiver of 4-C.2, Principal Licensure Requirements. We currently hold a waiver of statute A.C.A §§ 6-17-302 (Principal Licensure). We request a waiver of Standard 4-C.2 for Principal Licensure Requirements to fully effectuate the Principal Licensure waiver. Haas Hall Academy currently has a waiver of certification, and requests a waiver of 4-C.2 Principal Licensure Requirement. Larry Henry has been on staff for four years and is in his second year as Headmaster. Marilyn Schoppmeyer has over 30 years of experience and was Florida's teacher of the year. Marilyn is in her tenth year as Headmaster. We are currently requesting these one-year standards waivers of the State Board. We will request amendments of the same standards before the Charter Authorizing Panel prior to the 2019-2020 school year.

Haas Hall Academy is requesting a waiver from Standard 4-E.2, District Student / Guidance Counselor Ratio. We currently possess a waiver of 4-E.1 Guidance Counselor. Under the old 2015 Standards for Accreditation, we held waivers for 16.0 Support Service, specifically 16.01.1, Guidance Program, 16.01.2, Guidance Counselor Position, and 16.01.3, District Student / Guidance Counselor Ratio. During the standards transition process, the District Student / Guidance Counselor Ratio standard was not captured. Andrea Broshears is in charge of testing. Haas Hall Academy employs two guidance counselors who are independent contractors who are responsible for the social and emotional services for our scholars. Ample space is allotted to each counselor to carry out their duties. We are currently requesting these one-year standards waivers of the State Board. We will request amendments of the same standards before the Charter Authorizing Panel prior to the 2019-2020 school year.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Dr. Martin W. Schoppmeyer, Jr.

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