

Public Charter School Renewal Application for

Haas Hall Academy

Deadline for Initial Submission: <u>5:00 PM on October 4, 2021</u>



Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

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EVENT/DEADLINE	Renewal Applications
Initial Applications Due by 5:00 p.m. Submitted to <u>ade.charterschools@ade.arkansas.gov</u>	October 4, 2021
Application Reviews with DESE	October 15-31, 2021
Application Revision Window	November 1-15, 2021
Final Applications Due by 5:00 p.m. Submitted to ade.charterschools@ade.arkansas.gov	November 15, 2021
Charter Authorizing Panel Hearings	December 14-15, 2021
State Board of Education Meeting – Review of Charter Authorizing Panel Decisions	January 13, 2022

Charter Information

Name of Charter:	Haas Hall Academy
LEA Number:	7240700
Authorization Date:	
Expiration Date:	
Enrollment Cap:	2,000
Grades Served:	7-12
Superintendent:	Dr. Martin W. Schoppmeyer, Jr.
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Number of Years Requested for Renewal (1-5):

5

Section 1: Charter Data

Current Accreditation Status:AccreditedLevel of Support:General

Enrollment (3 Quarter ADM)

2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
96.93%	97.99%	99%	96.99%

Graduation Rates

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
4 Year	100%	100%	100%	100%
5 Year	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Letter Grades

2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
А	A	N/A	N/A

ESSA School Index

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Overall Index	97.4	96.37	N/A	No data
Weighted Achievement	116.52	113.55	N/A	available
Growth	83.66	84.51	N/A	as of
SQSS	84.5	82.54	N/A	10.04.21

Section 2: Charter Mission Statement

Previous mission statement:

To provide an aggressive alternative to the traditional learning environment for scholars with high intensity of purpose seeking an aggressive, rigorous, college preparatory curriculum focusing in the engineering, technology, mathematics and science fields, enabling them to succeed at the nation's prestigious universities and to become pillars of their communities.

If the mission statement for the charter will change, please provide the new mission:

N/A

What type of educational model does the school follow?

- □ Alternative Learning Environment
- □ Traditional
- □ Virtual Only
- ⊠ College Prep
- □ Credit Recovery
- Other Focus Area: ______

How is the selected educational model incorporated in the day-to-day operations of the school, curriculum, class offerings, etc.?

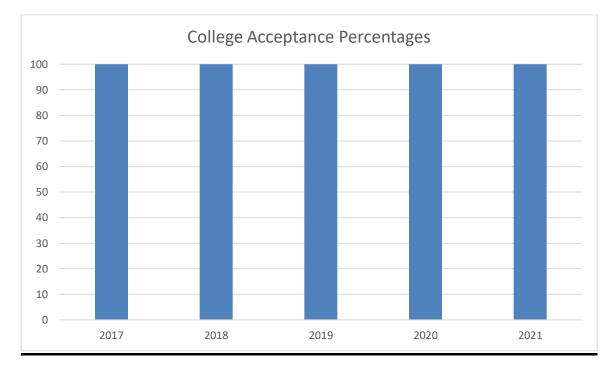
Haas Hall Academy is an accelerated, college-preparatory, open enrollment, public charter school. Our focus is Every Scholar, Every Day: College Bound! Haas Hall Academy is a microcosm of a university. Our courses are by the semester, not by the calendar year.

U.S. News & World Report has ranked a Haas Hall Academy school the #1 public high school in Arkansas for the last decade. U.S. News & World Report has also ranked Haas Hall Academy in the top 10 in the nation for charter schools and for public high schools.

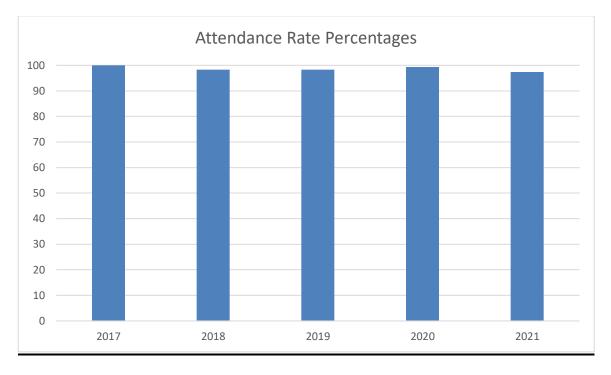
Section 3: Charter Goals

Please use the following space to evaluate the goals approved in the last charter application.

SMART Goal 1	Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Each student of Haas Hall	100% of Haas Hall	At Haas Hall Academy all scholars are required to apply to
Academy will be admitted	Academy's	at least three colleges or universities their senior year.
to a college and/or a	graduating classes	
university.	are accepted to	
	college. All	
	scholars who	
	graduate from Haas	
	Hall Academy meet	
	the requirements of	
	the Smart Core.	



SMART Goal 2	Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Students of the Academy will be expected to attain a 95% attendance rate.	Daily attendance	Haas Hall Academy's attendance rates were over 95%.



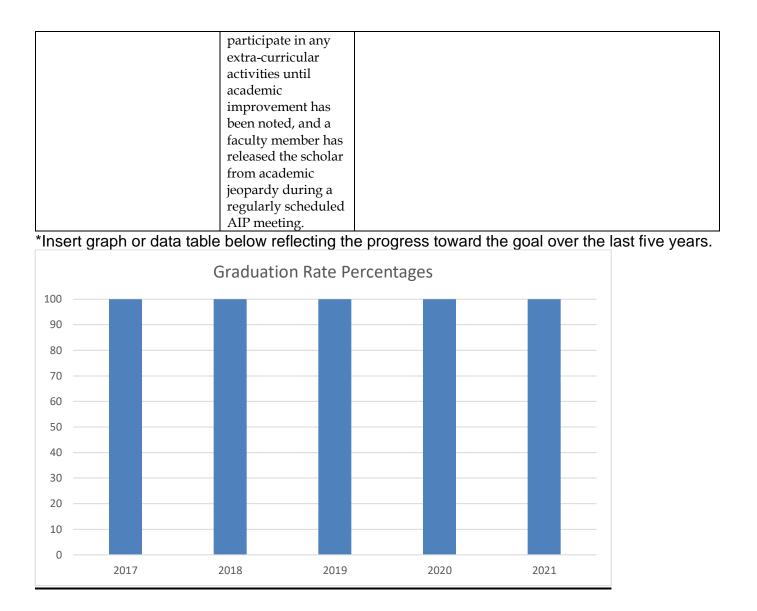
Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Grades	Haas Hall Academy's graduates demonstrate mastery by
ACT Aspire Test	graduating from HHA. Haas Hall Academy's ACT Aspire
Scores	test scores were #1-4 in the state of Arkansas for the past
	three years, except for the COVID year when we did not
	administer the ACT Aspire as a state.
	Grades ACT Aspire Test



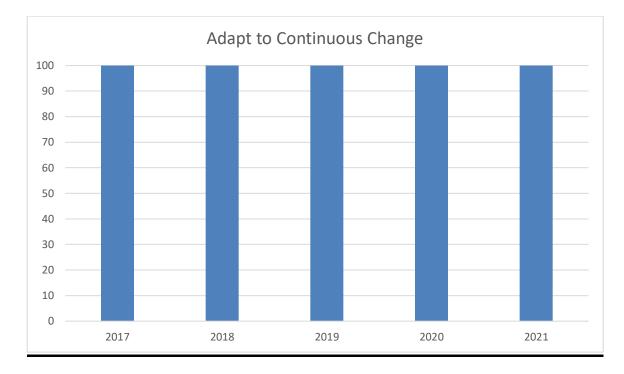
SMART Goal 4	Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Teachers will develop	Academic success is	Academics is the core of Haas Hall Academy. Academic
prescriptive teaching	the responsibility of	Improvement Plans, tutoring, and study sessions are
methods to enhance student	all stakeholders.	fundamental reasons for our academic successes.
progress or remediate a	Faculty regularly	
student's weakness so that	holds study	
improvement will be noted	sessions and study	
each academic year.	clubs on weekdays	
5	and weekends	
	throughout the	
	school year. 100%	
	of our core courses	
	participate. We	
	hold approximately	
	150 per annum.	
	100 per unitum.	
	Faculty creates	
	course syllabi each	
	term ensuring	
	academic programs	
	are aligned with	
	state frameworks.	
	Faculty has created	
	their own courses	
	and had them	
	approved by the	
	ADE. Faculty is	
	extremely	
	enthusiastic and	
	able to provide	
	assistance during	
	directed study to	
	those scholars with	
	review of materials.	
	Through regular	
	teacher	
	observations and	
	evaluations, our	
	Pathwise	
	coordinator/mentor	
	assists faculty in	
	incorporating	
	various teaching	
	techniques to assist	
	scholars with	
	different learning	
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	styles. Faculty	
	meets as dopartments bi	
	departments bi-	
	weekly to	
	effectively integrate	
	cross-discipline	
	assignments.	

Faculty enhance the	
learning	
environment	
through bringing in	
professionals as	
guest speakers to	
create a reference	
with classroom	
material to real	
world projects.	
Faculty inform	
parents on a regular	
basis of scholar	
progress in their	
classes by personal	
contact, written	
correspondence and	
phone calls.	
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Chan don dian di sa si	
Standardized test	
scores are used to	
identify subject area	
strengths and	
weaknesses. Data	
from these exams is	
evaluated by	
faculty twice a year	
to identify strengths	
and areas for	
additional focus.	
Bi-monthly	
departmental	
meetings utilize this	
data to steer the	
curriculum to	
reinforce particular	
areas of instruction.	
Haas Hall Academy	
utilizes a	
mandatory tutoring	
program for	
scholars who	
receive a 'C' or	
below on an	
assignment or test.	
Scholars work	
directly with faculty	
and mentor	
scholars during	
directed study and	
through after school	
programs.	
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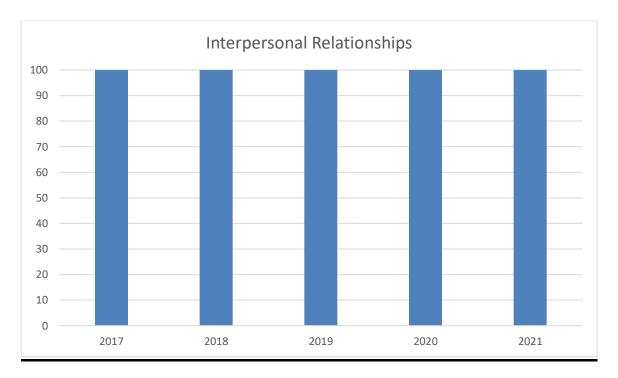
Haas Hall Academy's Academic Intervention Plan (AIP) intervenes and tracks the academic progress of scholars deemed	
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academic progress	
of scholars deemed	
in academic	
jeopardy.	
Academic jeopardy	
is defined as a	
scholar with a 'D' or	
below in any	
course.	
Scholars in	
academic jeopardy,	
along with their	
parent(s) or	
guardian must	
attend a weekly	
academic progress	
1 0	
meeting held each	
Tuesday from 2:30 –	
3:30 p.m. Scholars	
and their parent(s)	
or guardian will	
meet with faculty	
and administration	
to prepare an AIP.	
The AIP is created,	
modified and	
monitored by	
faculty. Faculty	
establishes	
benchmarks that	
must be met on a	
weekly basis and	
evidence of	
academic	
improvement from	
the scholar must be	
demonstrated.	
Scholars involved	
in AIP must also	
attend study club	
Wednesday &	
Thursday	
afternoons from	
2:20 – 3:30 p.m.	
Scholars involved	
in AIP may not	



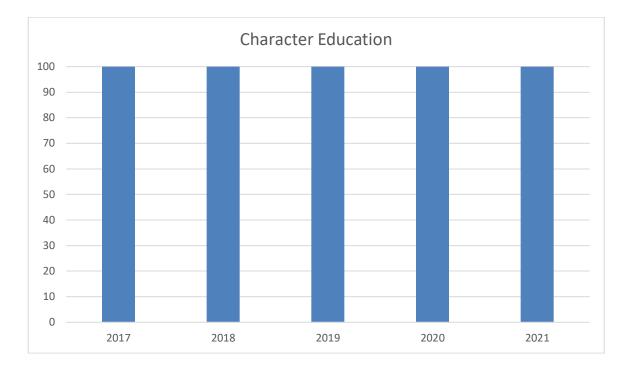
SMART Goal 5	Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Students will develop the ability to adapt successfully to continuous change.	Being a scholar at Haas Hall Academy requires one to develop the	Since our inception, Haas Hall Academy has been about continuous improvement, which many times involves change. All scholars must adapt to continuous change.
	ability to adapt successfully to continuous change.	



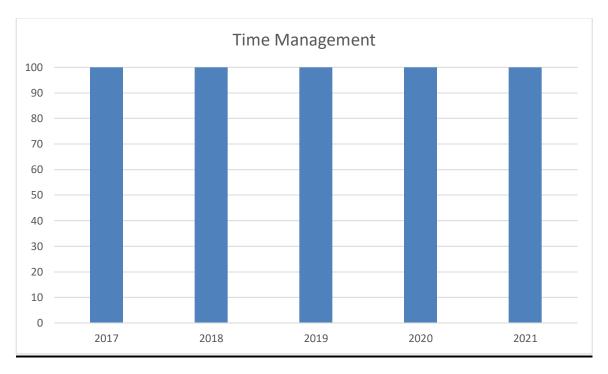
SMART Goal 6	Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Students will develop the capability for positive and effective inter-personal relationships.	Haas Hall Academy has created a positive and nurturing educational environment. The environment at Haas Hall Academy is what makes us truly unique. Scholars are required to work in small groups in many classes. Scholars have been encouraged to form their own study groups and work together to accomplish many tasks.	Haas Hall Academy employs an open-door policy. Scholars are required to visit faculty in their offices on a weekly basis to emulate their future higher education environment and personal responsibilities. Scholars are required to attend scholar/parent/faculty conferences to discuss scholar progress with all stakeholders present. Interpersonal relationships are the hallmark of successful scholars at Haas Hall Academy.



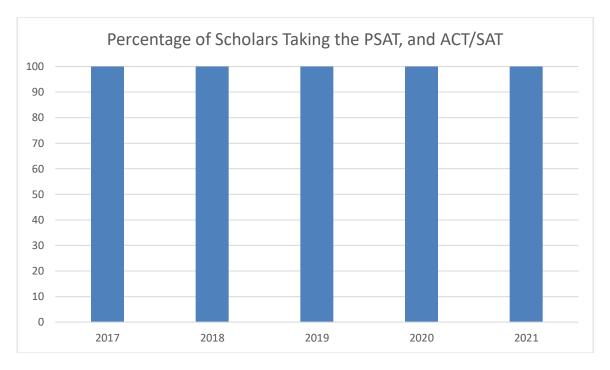
SMART Goal 7	Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Students will understand and exhibit respect, discipline, empathy, responsibility, good work habits, perseverance, honesty and integrity because of the environment.	Haas Hall Academy provides consistent character education. Scholars are provided with rules and regulations, which encourages proper behavior as a Haas Hall Academy scholar. Scholars are very adept at correcting each other in a professional, thoughtful manner. Scholars are given responsibility in their educational endeavor. Emulating the college experience, scholars must take ownership in their education. They are required to meet regularly with faculty, keep an assignment book, turn in assignments	Evaluation of Goal Haas Hall Academy works diligently to assist scholars with good work habits. Good habits are reinforced and bad habits are corrected immediately. Haas Hall Academy employs many stopgaps to assist our scholars and their parents in their future academic successes. Character education is a tenant of Haas Hall Academy scholars' academic and interpersonal successes.
	assignment book,	
	Scholars are continually challenged academically at Haas Hall Academy. Haas	
	Hall Academy assists all scholars to ensure academic success in all subject areas.	
*Insert graph or data table	below reflecting th	e progress toward the goal over the last five years



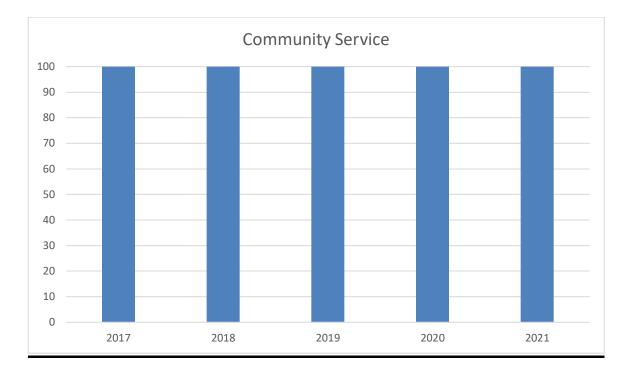
SMART Goal 8	Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Students will understand and put in use the elements of time management in their daily work.	Scholars are required to keep a scholastic calendar either on their laptop, phone, or in a daily planner. Scholars are required to enter their assignments and coordinate that information with our virtual on-line assignment and grade book eSchool.	Scholars are attuned to short-term and long-term goals and assignments. Scholars are required to meet on a regular basis with faculty in their offices regarding assignments and grades in each of their courses. Time management is an essential aspect of being a successful scholar at Haas Hall Academy.



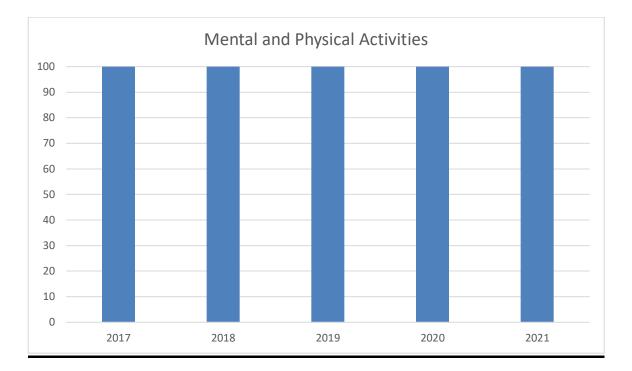
SMART Goal 9	Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Students will be required to take the ACT and/or SAT each year of high school.	Haas Hall Academy requires all scholars to take the PSAT in grades 9-11 the fall of each year. All scholars are required to take the ACT and/or SAT exams. All scholars and their parents sign a scholar compact that specifies this requirement. Standardized test scores are used to identify subject area strengths and weaknesses. Haas Hall Academy provides after school symposia on standardized test taking techniques.	Data from these exams is evaluated by faculty twice a year to identify strengths and areas for additional focus. Bi- monthly departmental meetings utilize this data to steer the curriculum to reinforce particular areas of instruction. 100% of all scholars grades 9-11 take the PSAT, and ACT/SAT.
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SMART Goal 10	Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Students will participate in	Haas Hall	Club and honor society faculty. Scholars are required to
community services and	Academy scholars	provide community service as part of their educational
activities as a part of the	average over 2,500	experience at Haas Hall Academy.
educational process.	hours of	
	community service	
	per year. Haas Hall	
	Academy works	
	directly with other	
	non-profit	
	organizations such	
	as: The Salvation	
	Army, Seven Hills	
	Homeless Shelter	
	and Community	
	Blood Center of the	
	Ozarks. Haas Hall	
	Academy received	
	the "Most	
	Improved Sponsor	
	in Education"	
	award from the	
	Community Blood	
	Center of the	
	Ozarks for our	
	increased	
	participation in	
	their donor	
	program. We have	
	established regular	
	food and clothing	
	drives,	
	reconditioned 911	
	cell phone drives	
	and angel trees.	



SMART Goal 11	Metric	Evaluation of Goal
Students will participate in regular mental and physical activities designed to keep them mentally and physically fit.	Haas Hall Academy offers physical education to all of its scholars. Haas Hall Academy also offers interscholastic competitive basketball, cross country, track, golf, bowling, swimming, and tennis. Haas Hall Academy participates in BEST robotics, Arkansas Governor's Quiz Bowl, Model UN and Model Arab League.	Master schedule. Faculty sponsors. All scholars are required to participate in mental and physical activities to graduate from Haas Hall Academy.



Section 4: New Goals

Select performance goals for the period of time requested for renewal that are related to the specific mission of the charter. Please include how the goals will be monitored.

SMART Goals

Section 5: Waivers

Existing Waivers

Please list every waiver the charter school currently holds. Please check either "rescind" or "continue waiver" in the top-right box. If you plan to continue the waiver, please provide thorough answers to the questions provided.

Waiver #1 Topic	Statutes/Standards/Rules	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Uniform dates for beginning and end of school year.	6-10-106 (a)	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Explain how the above waiver has enhanced student learning opportunities, promoted innovation, or increased equitable access to effective teachers.

(a)(1) In each school year, the first day of the school year for student attendance in the public elementary and secondary schools of the State of Arkansas shall be no earlier than August 19 and no later than August 26.

This waiver allows HHA to meet our 120 hours per Carnegie Unit. Haas Hall Academy scholar's take courses by the semester, not by the calendar year.

Waiver #2 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Qualified teachers in every public school classroom.	Subchapter 10: Arkansas Public Education 6-15-1004 et seq. Standard 4-D.1	 Rescind Continue Waiver
	DESE Rule Section 7	

Highly Qualified (minimum of a bachelor's degree and content knowledge) but not necessarily certified /licensed teachers will be allowed to teach at Haas Hall in Core courses. Content experts, i.e. Certified Financial Planners in Financial Planning classes, professional musicians, etc. may be allowed to teach non-Core classes, as provided by regulatory guidance for charter schools. Teachers in non-core subjects not in possession of state certification or verified HQT status will be closely monitored and replaced if a student achievement fails to meet or exceed Haas Hall standards.

Waiver #3 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Committee for each school district.	Subchapter 2: Personnel Policies 6-17-203.	 Rescind Continue Waiver

(a) Each school district shall have a committee on personnel policies which shall consist of no fewer than five (5) classroom teachers, and no more than three (3) administrators, one which may be the superintendent.

Haas Hall Academy is a small school. We get a committee together, with representation from each school building, to make the process effective and efficient.

Waiver #4 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Public school principals - Qualifications and responsibilities.	Subchapter 3: General Provisions 6-17-302 (a) Standard 4-C.2 DESE Rule Section 7	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

(a) The district school board shall employ though written contract public school principals who shall hold a valid supervisory or administrative certificates and who shall supervise the operation and management of the school and property as the board shall determine necessary. Haas Hall Academy employs highly qualified, but not necessarily certified administrators for its schools. It has proven to be an effective method of hiring and retaining, extremely qualified leadership.

Waiver #5 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Teacher's license requirement (Effective July 1, 2000).	Subchapter 4: Certification Generally 6-17-401.	 Rescind Continue Waiver

(a) No teacher shall be employed in any public school of the state who is not licensed to teach in the State of Arkansas by a license issued by the State Board of Education. Haas Hall Academy employs highly qualified faculty, not necessarily certified faculty for its academic programs. As a microcosm of a university, Haas Hall Academy emulates the college experience now. Hiring non certified faculty is a major part of this academic culture.

Waiver #6 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Arkansas history requirement	6-17-418. Teacher certification	 Rescind Continue Waiver

(a) Beginning July 1, 2001, no person shall be certified as a social studies teacher or as an elementary school teacher unless the person has successfully completed at least three (3) hours of college course work in Arkansas history.

Haas Hall Academy is requesting to continue our waiver of a non certified faculty member teaching Arkansas History. It has proven to be a successful part of our academic accolades in the past 17 years. Haas Hall Academy has the 2017-2018 Gilder Lehrman History Teacher of the Year for the state of Arkansas

Waiver #7 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Warrants void without valid certificate and contract (Effective July 1, 2000).	Subchapter 9: The Arkansas Teachers' Salary Law 6-17-919.	 □ Rescind ⊠ Continue Waiver

(a) All warrants issued in payment of teachers' salary are void unless:

- (1) The teacher has a valid teacher's certificate filed with the county clerk's office.
- (2) The teacher has been employed by a valid written contract.
- (3) Copies of such contract are on file in the offices of the county treasurer or the school district treasurer if the school district has its own treasurer.

(b) The district superintendent of schools and the superintendent's surety shall be liable for any warrants which he countersigns in payment of teacher's salaries unless and until there is a valid teacher's certificate and contract for the teacher on file with the county clerk.

Haas Hall Academy would like continue this waiver, as all employment is at will.

Waiver #8 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Examination of teacher's contracts – Effect.	6-17-920.	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

(a) It shall be the duty of the county clerk when the teachers' contracts are filed, as required by Sections 6-13-620 and 6-17-919 to examine such contracts.

(b) If the county clerk finds that any board of directors had entered into contracts with teachers who have not recorded a valid teacher's certificate with the clerk, he or she shall immediately notify the board of directors in writing to correct the contract or contracts to conform to the legal requirements.

Waiver #9Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Minimum base salary - Master's degree.	Subchapter 10: Minimum Salaries for Teachers. 6-17-1001.	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

(n) The term "teacher", as used in this section, shall include any full-time employee of a local public school district who is compelled by law to secure a license from the State Board of Education as a condition precedent to employment in a position in or related to grades pre-kindergarten through twelve (preK-12) of the public schools of this state.

Waiver #10 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
6-17-1502 through 6-17- 1510 et seq.	Subchapter 15: Teacher Fair Dismissal Act.	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Employment at Haas Hall Academy is at will.

Waiver #11 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
6-17-1702 through 6-17- 1705	Subchapter 17: Public School Employee Fair Hearing Act.	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Employment at Haas Hall Academy is at will.

Waiver #12 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Written student discipline policies required.	Subchapter 5: Discipline. 6-18-503.	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

(b)(2) As used in this section, "teachers and administrators" means those persons employed by a school district and required to have a state-issued certificate as a condition of their employment. Haas Hall Academy wishes to continue this waiver as it provides us flexibility.

Waiver #13 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
School Discipline Act.	6-18-505.	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

(c) (2) as used in subdivision (c) (1) of this section, "teachers and administrators" means those persons employed by a school district and required to hold state-issued certificates as conditions of their employment.

Waiver #14 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Teacher Education and Licensure	A.C.A § 6-17-401 Rule 2-4.01	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

While attempting to hire only certified teachers, The Academy requests to maintain the option of hiring "qualified" but not necessarily certified teachers as earlier indicated. This policy has been a good one for the past 17 years. We are aware that we must meet all Arkansas Highly Qualified Teacher requirements for the courses to which they apply and that all special education teachers must have full licensure.

Waiver #15 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Certified Staff Salary Schedule	A.C.A. § 6-17-2403	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Our salaries will be competitive and will compensate teachers/administrators for the longer school year if needed.

Waiver #16 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Teacher Evaluations	ADE Rule 6.01-6.05.1 ADE Rule 7.01-7.03 A.C.A. § 6-17-2805	 Rescind Continue Waiver

Annual evaluations will be fair; however, will not be tied to the local district as set out in regulation.

Waiver #17 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Gifted and Talented Services	Standard 2-G	 Rescind Continue Waiver

If the waiver is for a student service (ex: counseling, nursing, library media, gifted and talented, ALE, etc.) please explain how the services are being provided and how the needs of students are being met.

Haas Hall Academy is a school of acceleration. Academics are done by academic ability not by grade level. This allows for us to provide an adequate, and equitable education to all of our scholars.

Waiver #18 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Standard 1-A Curriculum and Instruction	Standard 1-A.1.2.7 Standard 1-A.1.3.9	 Rescind Continue Waiver

Journalism Career & Technical Education Agricultural Education Workforce Education Business Technology Health Occupations Home Economics Education Marketing Technology Trade, Industrial and Technical Education Work-Based Learning/Apprenticeship

Haas Hall Academy is a college-preparatory school. Our scholars take additional courses to meet their intended college major, not career and technical education courses. This waiver allows for our scholars to take additional high level math, science, social science, and engineering courses.

Waiver #19 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Length of Director's Terms	A.C.A. § 6-13-608	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Board members will be asked to serve a minimum of three (1) year terms with option to continue service beyond five (5) years.

Waiver #20 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Vacancies Generally	A.C.A. § 6-13-611	
		☑ Continue Waiver
Explain how the ab	ove waiver has enhanced student lear	ning opportunities, promoted
innovation, or incre	eased equitable access to effective teac	hers.
Board will continue to fil	l vacancies as outlined in the charter.	
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	a student service (ex: counseling, nurs	
talented, ALE, etc.) needs of students a) please explain how the services are	being provided and how the
needs of students a	are being met.	

Election by Zone and at A.C.A. § 6-13-630 Large. Rescind	Waiver #21 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
	5	A.C.A. § 6-13-630	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

School board members will be selected as outlined in the original charter.

Waiver #22 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Meetings	A.C.A. § 6-13-619	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

School Board will meet at least quarterly.

Waiver #23 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Applicability of General Election Laws	A.C.A. § 6-14-101 et seq	 Rescind Continue Waiver
Explain how the above waiver has enhanced student learning opportunities, promoted innovation, or increased equitable access to effective teachers.		

The Academy will follow the bylaws of the corporation.

Waiver #24 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Definition of a Teacher as Licensed	A.C.A. § 6-17-902	 Rescind Continue Waiver

The Academy will hire only qualified, but not necessarily certified personnel. Haas Hall Academy hires HQT who are not necessarily certified, but rather hold degrees in their respective fields. This allows our courses to go into greater depth and breadth.

Waiver #25 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Principals and other Building and District Administrators	Standard 4-C	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

The Academy will hire only qualified, but not necessarily certified personnel. Haas Hall Academy's leadership are well qualified with vast educational and professional backgrounds. In an attempt to be a microcosm of a university, Haas Hall Academy hires professionals in their respective fields. This waiver has proven to be very effective in the selection and retention of our academic leadership on our campuses.

Waiver #26 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Certification Waiver	A.C.A. § 6-17-309	 Rescind Continue Waiver

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Waiver #27 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Teacher's Salary Fund	A.C.A. § 6-17-908	 Rescind Continue Waiver

Waiver #28 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Nutrition and Physical Activity Standards	DESE Rule 12.00 DESE Rule 5.00	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Implementation and Act 29 of the Second Extraordinary Session, 2003, specifically any provisions dealing with the school's involvement with data collection, reporting or any school based involvement the measurement of students' body mass index.

Waiver #29 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Curriculum and Instruction	Standard 1-A.1.3	☐ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

The Academy requests all AP courses taught be included as part of the 38 units required by law for Standards and Accreditation.

Waiver #30 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Principals and other St Building and District Administrators	Standard 4.C-2	 Rescind Continue Waiver

The Academy will hire only qualified, but not necessarily certified/licensed personnel.

Waiver #31 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Student Support Services	Standard 2-D Media Center for Student Support	 Rescind Continue Waiver

The Academy utilizes the Fayetteville Public Library and the University of Arkansas library.

Waiver #32 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Health and Safety Services	Standard 2-E Health and Safety Services	 Rescind Continue Waiver

Schools are overwhelmed with ancillary programs not directly related to the delivery of instruction. The school will provide all parents with information about ARKids First, and other third party payer options. Parents are responsible for providing annual checkups, screenings, and other routine care for their children.

Waiver #33 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Gifted and Talented Services	Standard 2-G	 Rescind Continue Waiver

Haas Hall Academy is a school of acceleration. It is our belief that our entire school is a gifted and talented program, therefore segregating students based upon educational ability here would be a futile effort.

Waiver #34 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Transportation and Food Services	Standard 6-A.1 Standard 6-A.2	 Rescind Continue Waiver
Explain how the above waiver has enhanced student learning opportunities promoted		

Auxiliary services such as transportation and food service will not be provided at Haas Hall Academy.

Waiver #35 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver		
Specific Time Frame for Citations or Probations	Standard 8.00	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver		
	Explain how the above waiver has enhanced student learning opportunities, promoted nnovation, or increased equitable access to effective teachers.			
A school will be placed in probationary status for any staff member(s) not holding a valid Arkansas license. Such status will not extend beyond January 30 of the current school year. The Academy will hire only qualified, but not necessarily certified /licensed personnel.				
	a student service (ex: counseling, nurs please explain how the services are re being met.			

Waiver #36 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Uniform Dates for Beginning and End of Each School Year.	A.C.A. § 6-10-106	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Due to Haas Hall Academy's modified block scheduling that allows for courses to be complete by the semester Haas Hall Academy must start earlier each year to ensure that 120 clock hours are completed per Carnegie Unit.

Waiver #37 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Qualifications of Directors	A.C.A. § 6-13-616 (a)	 Rescind Continue Waiver

Trustees of The Academy, Inc., which operates Haas Hall Academy, operate under the Arkansas Code for nonprofits. This waiver is an effective way for us to recruit and maintain highly qualified individuals to serve on our Board regardless of residency.

Waiver #38 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
School District Board of Directors – Size	A.C.A. § 6-13-634	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver
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Board of Director Terms, laws, as sponsoring entity	membership, qualifications, filling of vacancies, et y.	tc. are set by The Academy, Inc. by-
If the waiver is for a	a student service (ex: counseling, nurs	sing, library media, gifted and
talented, ALE, etc.) needs of students a	please explain how the services are are being met.	being provided and how the

Waiver #39 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
District Boundaries	A.C.A. § 6-17-908	 □ Rescind ⊠ Continue Waiver
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This is not applicable to c	pen enrollment charter schools, which have no in	-state attendance boundaries.
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talented, ALE, etc.) needs of students a	please explain how the services are	being provided and how the
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Waiver #40Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Qualified Teachers in Every Public Classroom	A.C.A. § 6-15-1004	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Highly Qualified (minimum of a bachelor's degree and content knowledge) but not necessarily certified/licensed teachers will be allowed to teach at Haas Hall Academy in core courses. Content experts, i.e. certified/licensed financial planners in financial planning classes, professional musicians, etc. may be allowed to teach non-core courses as approved by regulatory guidance for charter schools. Teachers in non-core courses not in possession of state certification or verified HQT status will be closely monitored and replaced in scholar achievement fails to meet or exceed Haas Hall Academy standards.

Waiver #41 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver	
Arkansas History as a Dedicated Course	A.C.A. § 6-16-124	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver	
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	ove waiver has enhanced student lear ased equitable access to effective teac		
Arkansas History may be course.	integrated into the Social Studies curriculum and	not delivered through a dedicated	
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Waiver #42 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
School Day	A.C.A. § 6-16-102 A.C.A. § 6-10-126	 Rescind Continue Waiver

The school day will be regularly scheduled from 7:50 a.m. – 2:28 p.m. There may be need for day flexibility if extreme inclement weather is experienced. The geography of the school's location and the small class size of the scholar body would be well suited to extending the school day to make-up for lost instructional time.

Waiver #43 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Certified Staff Salary Schedule	A.C.A. § 6-17-201(b)(1)(2); 6-17-201(c), 6-20- 319(4)(b)	 Rescind Continue Waiver

Haas Hall does not necessarily base pay on a strict formula of years' experience and degree; but uses other formulas and criteria to establish teacher compensation. Haas Hall provides compensation that is competitive with local school districts. The school reserves the right to determine specific salary schedules. An employee who seeks employment with the school is assumed to have given understood approval for participation in the school's compensation plan.

Waiver #44 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Committee for Each School District	A.C.A. § 6-17-203	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Haas Hall Academy is not large enough to make this requirement meaningful.

Waiver #45 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Employment of Licensed Personnel	A.C.A. § 6-17-301	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Haas Hall Academy will only hire "at will" employees. However, the school ensures that constitutional due process will be followed in all employee promotion, demotion or termination events.

Waiver #46 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Minimum Teacher Compensation Schedule	A.C.A. § 6-17-2403 A.C.A. § 6-17-2401 et. seq	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

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Waiver #47 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Alternative Pay Programs	A.C.A. § 6-17-119	 Rescind Continue Waiver

Haas Hall Academy reserves the right to determine aspects of any elective alternative pay plan elected. With adequate notice, it will be assumed that employees have given implied consent for participation in the pay plan if they elect to seek continued employment. Haas Hall Academy implements a performance based pay program for all faculty and staff.

Waiver #48 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Rules Governing Arkansas Alternative Pay Programs	A.C.A. § 6-17-119	 Rescind Continue Waiver

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Waiver #49 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Credit for College Courses	A.C.A. § 6-18-223 a (1)	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver
Explain how the above waiver has enhanced student learning opportunities, promoted		

innovation, or increased equitable access to effective teachers.

Haas Hall would like to reserve the right for certain abled eighth grade students to take and receive concurrent credit in future situations.

Waiver #50 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Rules Governing Concurrent College and High School Credit	A.C.A. § 6-18-223	 Rescind Continue Waiver

Haas Hall would like to reserve the right for certain abled eighth grade students to take and receive concurrent credit in future situations.

Waiver #51 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Alternative Education Services	Standard 2-I	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Haas Hall Academy is an open-enrollment, accelerated, college preparatory, public charter school. Our academic focus is to prepare scholars for their higher educational pursuits after high school.

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Waiver #52 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Alternative Education Services	Standard 2-I	 Rescind Continue Waiver

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Waiver #53 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
1-A Curriculum and Instruction	Standard 1-A.1.2.9	 Rescind Continue Waiver
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Qualified eighth graders Language/Algebra I/HS	have the opportunity to take these courses for hig Credit	h school credit. Foreign
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Waiver #54 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Supplemental Educational Opportunities – Summer School	Standard 2-I.1	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Haas Hall Academy does not offer a formalized summer school program, but offers multiple before and after school opportunities for tutoring.

Waiver #55 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Public School Library and Technology Act	A.C.A. § 6-25-103 A.C.A. § 6-25-104	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

Haas Hall scholars are adolescents and very much at home with electronic means of accessing information. The Fayetteville Public Library provides free internet access for any student without access at home, and the school is richly endowed with electronic media tools and resources. Media will be available through on-line research links, encyclopedias, and a variety of internet resources in addition to a partnership with the Fayetteville Public Library. No media specialist will be employed. Instructional staff in each classroom will serve to teach students to access services outside of school using technology and as teachers of information and technology skills.

Waiver #56 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Uniform Dates for Beginning and End of Each School Year	A.C.A. § 6-10-106	□ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver

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Waiver #57 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Personnel	Standard 4: Human Capital Standard 4-B.1 Standard 4-C.2 Standard 4-D.1	 Rescind Continue Waiver

School District Superintendent

Principals

Licensure and Renewal

Haas Hall Academy utilizes an established teacher evaluation system that aligns itself with the educated, professional based faculty we employ.

Waiver #58 Topic	Statute/Standard/Rule	Rescind or Continue Waiver
Support Services	Standard 2-C Standard 2-D.1	 Rescind Continue Waiver

Guidance and Counseling Media Services

If the waiver is for a student service (ex: counseling, nursing, library media, gifted and talented, ALE, etc.) please explain how the services are being provided and how the needs of students are being met.

Haas Hall Academy employs academic and guidance counselors at each of our locations. We would like to continue this waiver based on our growth plans.

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Please list any waivers the charter wishes to add to its charter. For each waiver topic, please be sure to add the appropriate statute, Standard for Accreditation, and DESE Rule related to the waiver topic. For each topic the school must provide a detailed rationale explaining: (1) why the waiver is necessary to allow the charter to achieve its stated goals and mission, (2) how the waiver will be used, and (3) if related to a student service (ex: nursing, counseling, library media, gifted and talented, ALE, etc.) how the school will meet the needs of students and how the student service is being provided in an alternative way.

Waiver Topic	Statutes/Standards/Rules	Rationale

Section 7: Amendment Requests

List any non-waiver amendment requests and provide a rationale for each (i.e., changes to grade levels, enrollment cap, location, addition of campus).

	Торіс	Rationale
1	Addition of a campus via license in Fort Smith.	Haas Hall Academy seeks to open a campus in Fort Smith. We have a high demand for our educational programming.
2	Increase enrollment cap by 500 scholars.	The 7-12 campus in Fort Smith will serve 500 scholars.
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Section 8: Desegregation Analysis

*Required only if the charter intends to add a campus, add grades, increase enrollment cap, or change location.

Describe the impact, both current and potential, of the public charter school on the efforts of affected public school district(s) to comply with court orders and statutory obligations to create and maintain a unitary system of desegregated public schools.

Haas Hall Academy is requesting a license to open an open-enrollment public charter school in Fort Smith within the boundaries of the Fort Smith School District. As an open-enrollment public charter school unconfined by district boundaries, Haas Hall Academy expects to obtain the majority of its students from within the boundaries of the Fort Smith, Greenwood, Van Buren, Alma and surrounding School Districts.

In carefully reviewing the potential impact that Haas Hall Academy would have upon the efforts of the surrounding school districts to comply with court orders and statutory obligations to create and maintain a unitary system of desegregated public schools pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 6-23-106, the applicant finds that neither the Fort Smith School District nor any of its contiguous or neighboring school districts are currently subject to, or have ever been subject to, any court orders or judicial decrees concerning the desegregation of its schools. As an open-enrollment public charter school, Haas Hall Academy must be race-neutral and non-discriminatory in its student selection and admission processes, and the granting of this amendment request to open an open-enrollment public charter school in Fort Smith will not serve to hamper, delay, or in any manner negatively affect the desegregation efforts of any public school district or districts within the state.