

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 ade.charterschools@ade.arkansas.gov | 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 <u>ade.charterschools@ade.arkansas.gov</u> | 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 | А | 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
- \boxtimes 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.?

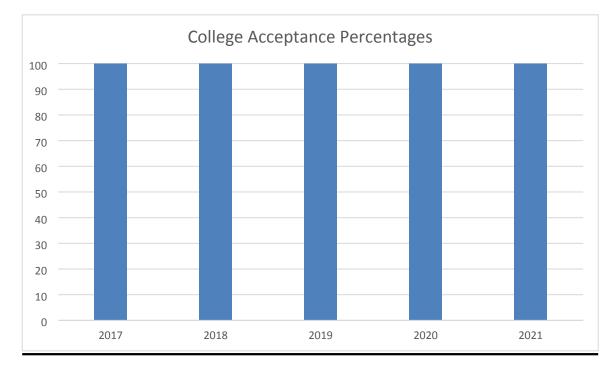
Haas Hall Academy is an accelerated, college-preparatory, open enrollment, public charter school. Our focus is Every Scholar, Every Day: College Bound! Haas Hall Academy is a microcosm of a university. Our courses are by the semester, not by the calendar year.

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.

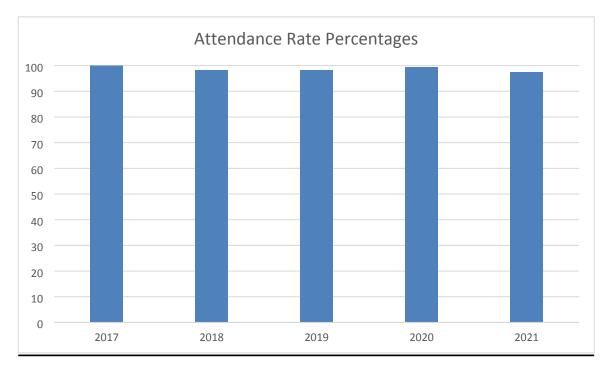
Section 3: Charter Goals

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 |
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| Students of the Academy will be expected to attain a 95% attendance rate. | Daily attendance | Haas Hall Academy's attendance rates were over 95%. |



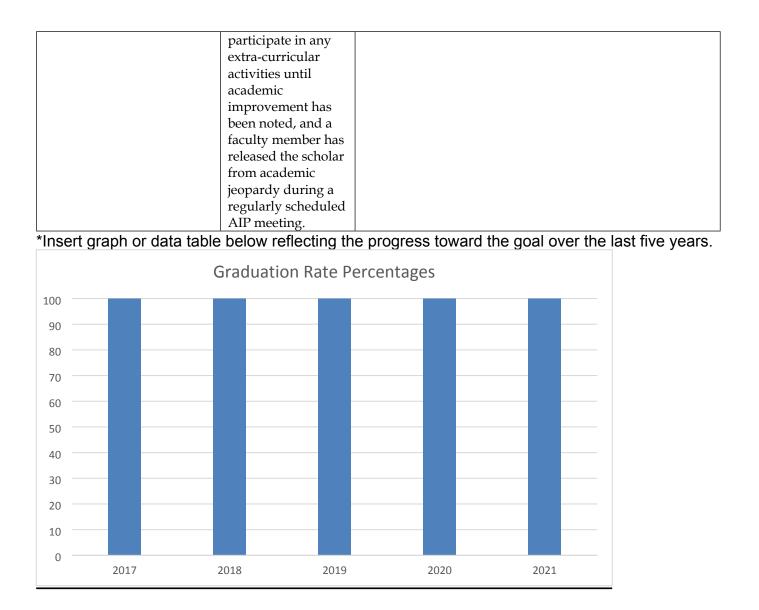
| SMART Goal 3 | Metric | Evaluation of Goal |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|
| Students will graduate from | Grades | Haas Hall Academy's graduates demonstrate mastery by |
| The Academy with mastery | ACT Aspire Test | graduating from HHA. Haas Hall Academy's ACT Aspire |
| in mathematics, science, | Scores | test scores were #1-4 in the state of Arkansas for the past |
| foreign language, and | | three years, except for the COVID year when we did not |
| English. | | administer the ACT Aspire as a state. |
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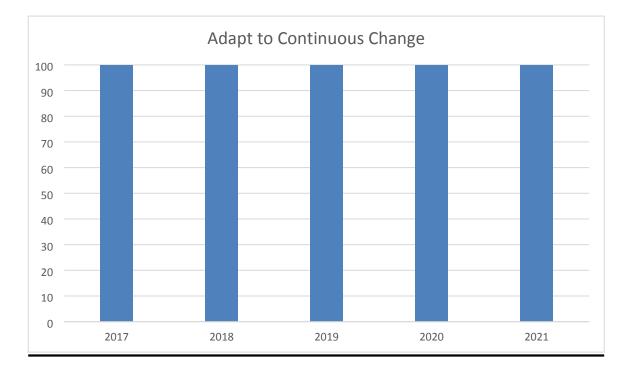
| SMART Goal 4 | Metric | Evaluation of Goal |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Teachers will develop | Academic success is | Academics is the core of Haas Hall Academy. Academic |
| prescriptive teaching | the responsibility of | Improvement Plans, tutoring, and study 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 | |
| | and weekends | |
| | throughout the | |
| | school year. 100% | |
| | of our core courses | |
| | participate. We | |
| | hold approximately | |
| | 150 per annum. | |
| | 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 | |
| | styles. Faculty | |
| | meets as | |
| | 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. |
| Chan dendined toot |
| 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. |
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| 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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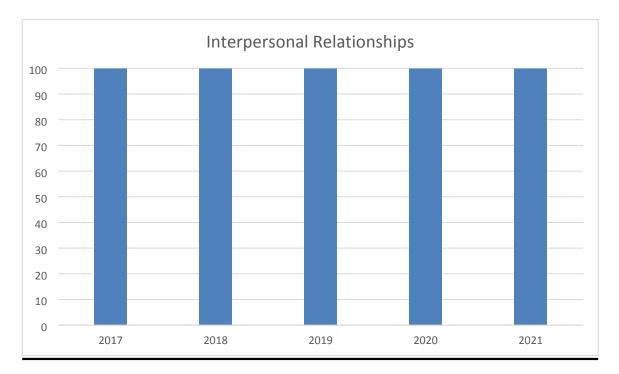
| Haas Hall | |
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| Academy's | |
| Academic | |
| Intervention Plan | |
| (AIP) intervenes | |
| and tracks the | |
| | |
| academic progres | |
| of scholars deeme | ed |
| in academic | |
| jeopardy. | |
| Academic jeopare | ly |
| is defined as a | |
| scholar with a 'D | or |
| below in any | |
| | |
| course. | |
| | |
| Scholars in | |
| academic jeopard | у, |
| along with their | |
| parent(s) or | |
| guardian must | |
| attend a weekly | |
| academic progres | 38 |
| meeting held each | |
| | |
| Tuesday from 2:3 | |
| 3:30 p.m. Scholar | |
| and their parent(| 3) |
| or guardian will | |
| meet with faculty | |
| and administration | n |
| to prepare an AII | 2 |
| | |
| The AIP is create | 1. |
| modified and | x) |
| monitored by | |
| | |
| faculty. Faculty | |
| establishes | |
| benchmarks that | |
| must be met on a | |
| weekly basis and | |
| evidence of | |
| academic | |
| improvement fro | m |
| the scholar must | |
| demonstrated. | |
| demonstrated. | |
| C-1-1 | 1 |
| Scholars involved | |
| in AIP must also | |
| attend study club | |
| Wednesday & | |
| Thursday | |
| afternoons from | |
| 2:20 – 3:30 p.m. | |
| Scholars involved | 1 |
| | |
| in AIP may not | |



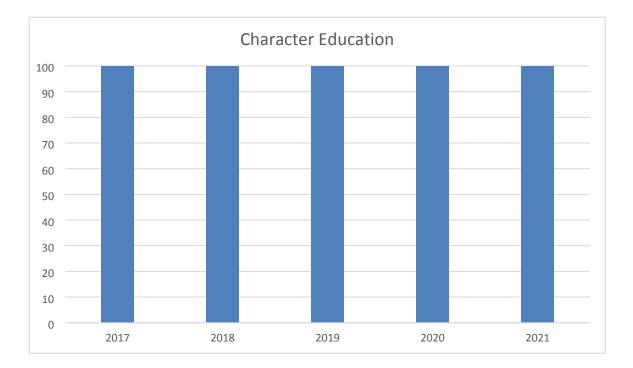
| SMART Goal 5 | Metric | Evaluation of Goal |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| Students will develop the | Being a scholar at | Since our inception, Haas Hall Academy has been about |
| ability to adapt successfully | Haas Hall | continuous improvement, which many times involves |
| to continuous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



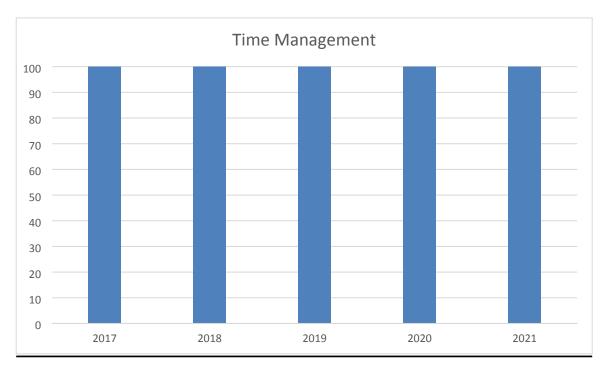
| SMART Goal 6 | Metric | Evaluation of Goal |
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| Students will develop the capability for positive and effective inter-personal relationships. | Haas Hall Academy has created a positive and nurturing educational environment. The environment at Haas 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. |



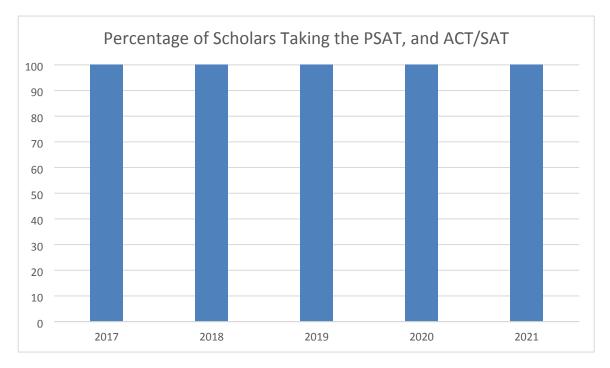
| SMART Goal 7 | Metric | Evaluation of Goal |
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| Students will understand and exhibit respect, discipline, empathy, responsibility, good work habits, perseverance, honesty and integrity because of the environment. | Haas Hall Academy provides consistent 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 on time and uphold the scholar code of ethics. Scholars are continually challenged academically at Haas Hall Academy. Haas Hall Academy assists all scholars to ensure academic success in all subject areas. | 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. |



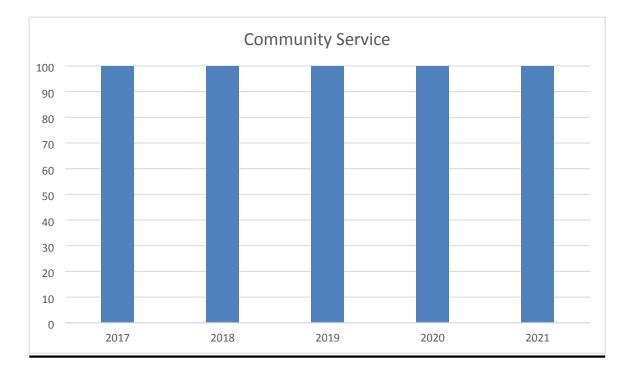
| SMART Goal 8 | Metric | Evaluation of Goal |
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| Students will understand and put in use the elements of time management in their daily work. | Scholars are required to keep a scholastic calendar either on their laptop, phone, or in a daily planner. 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. |



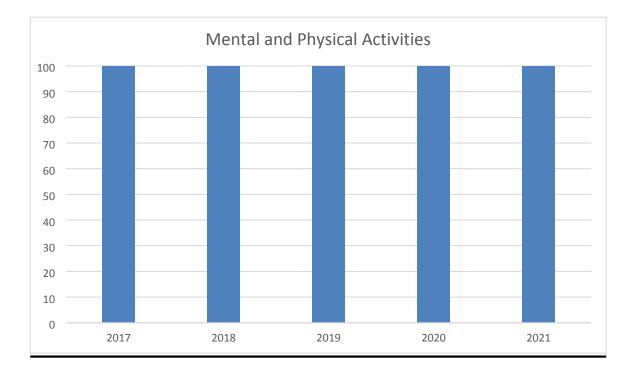
| SMART Goal 9 | Metric | Evaluation of Goal |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Students will be required to | Haas Hall | Data from these exams is evaluated by faculty twice a year |
| take the ACT and/or SAT | Academy requires | to identify strengths and areas for additional focus. Bi- |
| each year of high school. | all scholars to take | monthly departmental meetings utilize this data to steer |
| | the PSAT in grades | the curriculum to reinforce particular areas of instruction. |
| | 9-11 the fall of each | 100% of all scholars grades 9-11 take the PSAT, and |
| | year. All scholars | ACT/SAT. |
| | 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. | |
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| SMART Goal 10 Metric | Evaluation of Goal |
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| SMART Goal 10MetricStudents will participate in community services and activities as a part of the educational process.Haas Hall Academy scholars average over 2,500 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. | Evaluation of Goal Club and honor society faculty. Scholars are required to provide community service as part of their educational experience at Haas Hall Academy. |



| 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 |
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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 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
| | ove waiver has enhanced student lear ased equitable access to effective teac | |
| Board will continue to fil | l vacancies as outlined in the charter. | |
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| | | ing library modia sifted and |
| | a student service (ex: counseling, nurs please explain how the services are are being met. | |
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| Waiver #21 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Election by Zone and at Large. | A.C.A. § 6-13-630 | RescindContinue Waiver |
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| School board members w | ill be selected as outlined in the original charter. | |
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| Waiver #22 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Meetings | A.C.A. § 6-13-619 | □ Rescind |
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| Explain how the above waiver has enhanced student learning opportunities, promoted | | |

innovation, or increased equitable access to effective teachers.

School Board will meet at least quarterly.

| Waiver #23 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Applicability of General Election Laws | A.C.A. § 6-14-101 et seq | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| Waiver #24 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Definition of a Teacher as Licensed | A.C.A. § 6-17-902 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| 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. | | |
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| Waiver #25 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| 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 |
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| Certification Waiver | A.C.A. § 6-17-309 | 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 #27 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Teacher's Salary Fund | A.C.A. § 6-17-908 | ☐ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver |
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| Waiver #28 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Nutrition and Physical Activity Standards | DESE Rule 12.00 DESE Rule 5.00 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| Waiver #29 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Curriculum and Instruction | Standard 1-A.1.3 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
| Explain how the above waiver has enhanced student learning opportunities, promoted innovation, or increased equitable access to effective teachers. | | |

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 |
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| Principals and other Building and District Administrators | Standard 4.C-2 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| Waiver #31 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Student Support Services | Standard 2-D Media Center for Student Support | ☐ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver |
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| The Academy utilizes the Fayetteville Public Library and the University of Arkansas library. | | |
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| Waiver #32 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Health and Safety Services | Standard 2-E Health and Safety Services | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| 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. | | |
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| Waiver #33 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Gifted and Talented Services | Standard 2-G | Rescind Continue Weiver |
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| Explain how the above waiver has enhanced student learning opportunities, promoted innovation, or increased equitable access to effective teachers. | | |
| 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 |
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| Transportation and Food Services | Standard 6-A.1 Standard 6-A.2 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| Auxiliary services such as transportation and food service will not be provided at Haas Hall Academy. | | |
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| Waiver #35 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Specific Time Frame for Citations or Probations | Standard 8.00 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| 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. | | |
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| Waiver #36 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Uniform Dates for Beginning and End of Each School Year. | A.C.A. § 6-10-106 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| 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. | | |
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| Waiver #37 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Qualifications of Directors | A.C.A. § 6-13-616 (a) | Rescind Continue Waiver |
| Explain how the above waiver has enhanced student learning opportunities, promoted innovation, or increased equitable access to effective teachers. | | |
| Trustees of The Academy, Inc., which operates Haas Hall Academy, operate under the Arkansas Code for non- profits. 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 |
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| School District Board of Directors - Size | A.C.A. § 6-13-634 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| Waiver #39 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| District Boundaries | A.C.A. § 6-17-908 | □ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver |
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| This is not applicable to c | open enrollment charter schools, which have no in- | -state attendance boundaries. |
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| Waiver #40Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Qualified Teachers in Every Public Classroom | A.C.A. § 6-15-1004 | RescindContinue Waiver |
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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 |
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| Arkansas History as a Dedicated Course | A.C.A. § 6-16-124 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
| - | ove waiver has enhanced student lear ased equitable access to effective teac | |
| Arkansas History may be integrated into the Social Studies curriculum and not delivered through a dedicated course. | | |
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| Waiver #42 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| 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 |
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| 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 |
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| Committee for Each School District | A.C.A. § 6-17-203 | □ Rescind⊠ Continue Waiver |
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| Waiver #45 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Employment of Licensed Personnel | A.C.A. § 6-17-301 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| 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. | | |
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| Waiver #46 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| 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 |
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| Alternative Pay Programs | A.C.A. § 6-17-119 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| 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. | | |
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| Waiver #48 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Rules Governing Arkansas Alternative Pay Programs | A.C.A. § 6-17-119 | RescindContinue Waiver |
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| Waiver #49 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Credit for College Courses | A.C.A. § 6-18-223 a (1) | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| Haas Hall would like to reserve the right for certain abled eighth grade students to take and receive concurrent credit in future situations. | | |
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| Waiver #50 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Rules Governing Concurrent College and High School Credit | A.C.A. § 6-18-223 | Rescind Continue Waiver |
| Explain how the above waiver has enhanced student learning opportunities, promoted innovation, or increased equitable access to effective teachers. | | |
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| Waiver #51 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| Alternative Education Services | Standard 2-I | Rescind Continue Waiver |
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| 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 |
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| Alternative Education Services | Standard 2-I | |
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| Waiver #53 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver | |
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| 1-A Curriculum and Instruction | Standard 1-A.1.2.9 | Rescind Continue Waiver | |
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| Waiver #54 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| 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 |
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| 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 | |
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| Uniform Dates for Beginning and End of Each School Year | A.C.A. § 6-10-106 | Rescind Continue Waiver | |
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| 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. | | | |
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| Waiver #57 Topic | Statute/Standard/Rule | Rescind or Continue Waiver |
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| 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 |
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| Support Services | Standard 2-C Standard 2-D.1 | RescindContinue 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.

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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).

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| 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.