



# HAAS HALL ACADEMY

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### **Haas Hall Academy Receives College Readiness Recognition**

Haas Hall Academy has received the **“2011 College Readiness Award”** from the Arkansas ACT Council for increasing the number of students taking the ACT Assessment over the past five years and significantly increasing their level of achievement and college readiness. The Arkansas ACT Council is comprised of secondary and postsecondary educators who advise ACT, Inc. on the utilization of ACT programs and services in Arkansas schools and colleges.

ACT, Inc. is the not-for-profit organization that provides assessment, research, information and program management services in the broad areas of education and workforce development and the publisher of the ACT assessment. The ACT Assessment is the college admissions test that is used and accepted by all colleges nationwide.

According to Karen L. Pennell, Assistant Vice President and ACT Southwest Regional Manager: *“The Arkansas ACT Council wanted to recognize those Arkansas high schools that have made significant strides in increasing the college readiness of their graduates as demonstrated by their ACT score increases over the past five years. This can only happen as a result of the high school’s faculty and staff efforts and the dedication of Haas Hall Academy students and parents to focus on college readiness and raise the level of college readiness for all students. Only 19 high schools in Arkansas were honored for this superior level of accomplishment. These outstanding Arkansas high schools should be proud of their faculty, staff and students!”*

Haas Hall Academy was the only charter school in the state of Arkansas and one of only 19 schools to receive this distinction. Martin Schoppmeyer, Founder and Superintendent of Haas Hall Academy said, *“This is a tribute to our accelerated curriculum, engaged scholars, highly qualified faculty and involved parents. Haas Hall Academy’s past, present and future successes require all stakeholders work together for the betterment of each and every scholar.”*

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