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FINE ARTS ACADEMY

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## **Harding Fine Arts Academy Receives High Marks on State Report Card**

Oklahoma City- Oklahoma City's Harding Fine Arts Academy has earned an A+ on the State Department of Education's A-F Report Card for the 2015 – 2016 school year.

Adopted into law by the Oklahoma Legislature in 2011, this grading system is designed to incentivize schools to strive for and reach high levels of college- and career-readiness.

This is the third year in a row that Harding Fine Arts Academy has received an A+ grade.

Harding Fine Arts Academy was recently named a **2015 Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education** and was ranked among the top 500 high schools in the nation according to *Newsweek's* 'Beating the Odds' list seeking to identify schools that do an excellent job of preparing their students for college while also overcoming the obstacles posed by students at an economic disadvantage. Harding Fine Arts Academy has also been named as one of the top ten high schools in the state by *US News & World Report*. In addition, Harding Fine Arts Academy will receive the Governor's Arts in Education award from the Oklahoma Arts Council in December.

Harding Fine Arts Academy is a tuition-free, non-selective Oklahoma City charter school that prepares high school students for college in an academically challenging, arts-integrated environment.

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