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PRESS RELEASE

Maumelle, AR: July 18, 2008 - Pulaski Charter School, Inc. [d/b/a Academics Plus Charter School (APCS)] released that the school district's Board of Trustees has accepted the recommendation of the Executive Search Committee, charged with identifying a replacement candidate for departing Superintendent Dr. Mona Briggs, and hired Mr. Jake Honea. In hiring Mr. Honea the Board of Trustees has selected a highly regarded and experienced educational and business leader to replace Dr. Briggs.

In addition to his considerable teaching, athletics coaching and educational management experience, Jake Honea is a Vietnam-era veteran of the United States Navy and has other professional qualifications including sixteen years ownership/management of a retail electronics business and seven years experience as an on-air radio personality and sports announcer with Arkansas's own KXAR Radio Station in Hope, AR. In total Mr. Honea possesses five years traditional and special education teaching and coaching experience complimented by over sixteen years of increasing responsibility service in administrative capacity with both traditional and charter school systems.

"Our district is extremely fortunate to have attracted a professional administrator with such diverse experience and so highly credentialed. I and the remainder of our Board look forward to working with Mr. Honey to lead A+ Charter School through our development planning and implementation as we continue to establish the highest standards within the State of Arkansas with respect to charter school achievement, management and philanthropy." Dean Elliott, Chairman APCS Board of Trustees.

Academics Plus Charter School is an open enrollment charter school which provides an academically rigorous college preparatory program for all students regardless of race, ethnic origins, national background or socioeconomic level. School leaders believe that all children can learn when challenged by high expectations. APCS understands that attitude, behavior, effort and attendance, as well as ability, determine academic success.

For additional information regarding APCS's enrollment requirements, curriculum offerings and other student services contact Dr. Buster Lackey, Principal of APCS at (501) 851-3333 or via email at buster.lackey@academicsplus.org. – **END OF**

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