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Mr. Jeff Butts  
Principal  
Argyle High School  
191 S. Hwy. 377  
Argyle, TX 76226

Dear Mr. Butts:

Congratulations! The Texas ACT Council is pleased to present you with the enclosed **2009 College Readiness Award**. The award is in recognition of your school having a significant increase in its ACT Composite score over the past five years while maintaining or increasing the number of students taking the ACT Assessment. This resulted in greater numbers of your students being college-ready as a result of your efforts and those of your staff and students. Less than 5% of the high schools in Texas were able to accomplish what you have done.

Nearly 160,000 Texas students took the ACT in 2009 which was an all-time high and Texas scores have increased substantially during the last five years which indicates that students are using their score results to make improvements to their college readiness levels as well as showing that Texas students score well on the ACT – a curriculum-based achievement test that is aligned to the Texas curriculum. These results also show that your school's faculty and staff are providing the kind of education that makes a positive difference for all students in preparing them for college and the workforce.

The Texas ACT Council is comprised of secondary and postsecondary educators who advise ACT, Inc. on the utilization of ACT programs and services in Texas schools and colleges. We would like to join the Texas ACT Council in recognizing you on this significant achievement. Additionally, we have included a sample press release should you wish to share this good news with your local media or school board. If you have any questions, do not hesitate in contacting us.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Vice President and  
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Director, Elementary/Secondary  
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c: Dr. Telena Wright, Superintendent, Argyle Independent School District