## BERKLEY ACCELERATED MIDDLE SCHOOL, INC.

A Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Polk County, Florida

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

for the fiscal year ended JUNE 30, 2017

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Directors Berkley Accelerated Middle School, Inc., a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Polk County, Florida

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Berkley Accelerated Middle School, Inc. ("School"), a charter school and component unit of the District School Board of Polk County, Florida, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Governmental Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the School's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Berkley Accelerated Middle School, Inc., as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Required Supplementary Information, as listed in the table of contents be presented, to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historic context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 30, 2017 on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

King & Walker, CPAs

September 30, 2017 Tampa, Florida

#### BERKLEY ACCELERATED MIDDLE SCHOOL, INC.

A component unit of the District School Board of Polk County, Florida

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - (Unaudited)

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section of the annual financial report of the Berkley Accelerated Middle School, Inc., ("School") a charter school and component unit of the District School Board of Polk County, Florida, provides an overview of the School's activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

Because the information contained in the MD&A is intended to highlight significant transactions, events, and conditions, it should be considered in conjunction with the School's financial statements and notes to financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the School's expenditures exceeded revenues as shown on the School's statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances by \$226,452.
- As shown on the statement of net position, the School reported a deficit total net position balance of \$932,118, resulting directly from the reporting requirements of the unfunded Florida Retirement System pension liabilities.
- The School reported a fund balance of \$836,984 on the balance sheet governmental funds.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The basic financial statements consist of three components:

- ✓ Government-wide financial statements
- $\checkmark$  Fund financial statements
- $\checkmark$  Notes to financial statements

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements provide both short-term and long-term information about the School's overall financial condition in a manner similar to those of a private-sector business. The statements include a statement of net assets and a statement of activities that are designed to provide consolidated financial information about the governmental activities of the School presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The statement of net position provides information about the government's financial position, its assets and liabilities, using an economic resources measurement focus. The difference between the assets and liabilities, the net position, is a measure of the financial health of the School. The statement of activities presents information about the change in the School's net position and the results of operations, during the fiscal year. An increase or decrease in net position is an indication of whether the School's financial health is improving or deteriorating. To assess the overall financial position of the School, one needs to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the School student base funding level.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

Fund financial statements are one of the components of the basic financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the School's financial activities, focusing on its most significant funds rather than fund types. This is in contrast to the entity-wide perspective contained in the governmentwide financial statements.

<u>Governmental Funds</u>. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, the governmental funds utilize a spendable financial resources measurement focus rather than the economic resources measurement focus found in the government-wide financial statements. The financial resources measurement focus allows the governmental fund financial statements to provide information on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources as well as balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year.

The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed short-term view that may be used to evaluate the School's near-term financing requirements. This short-term view is useful when compared to the long-term view presented as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. To facilitate this comparison, both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation of governmental fund to governmental activities.

The governmental funds balance sheet and statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide detailed information about the School's most significant funds. The School operates two funds; a General Fund and a Special Revenue Fund. The General Fund is considered to be a major fund. Data from the other governmental fund is combined into a single aggregated presentation.

The School adopts an annual budget for its governmental funds. A budgetary comparison schedule, as required, has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

#### **GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

Net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The following is a summary of the School's net position as of June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017:

Net Assets, End of Year					
Governmental Activities					
6-30-16					
\$ 1,355,219 5,450,477	\$ 1,134,022 5,629,739	\$ (221,197) 179,262			
6,805,696	6,763,761	(41,935)			
276,580	587,768	311,188			
276,580	587,768	311,188			
394,030 7,201,313	404,044 7,856,502	10,014 655,189			
7,595,343	8,260,546	665,203			
118,214	23,101	(95,113)			
118,214	23,101	(95,113)			
(806,772) <u>175,491</u> \$ (631,281)	(801,795) (130,323) \$ (932,118)	4,977 (305,814) \$ (300,837)			
	<u>6-30-16</u> \$ 1,355,219 <u>5,450,477</u> <u>6,805,696</u> <u>276,580</u> <u>276,580</u> <u>276,580</u> <u>394,030</u> <u>7,201,313</u> <u>7,595,343</u> <u>118,214</u> <u>118,214</u> <u>(806,772)</u> <u>175,491</u>	Governmental Activi           6-30-16         6-30-17           \$ 1,355,219         \$ 1,134,022           5,450,477         5,629,739           6,805,696         6,763,761           276,580         587,768           276,580         587,768           394,030         404,044           7,201,313         7,856,502           7,595,343         8,260,546           118,214         23,101           118,214         23,101           (806,772)         (801,795)           175,491         (130,323)			

The assets of the School primarily consist of cash & cash equivalents and capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. Liabilities consist primarily of salaries and benefits payable, long-term notes payable, and long-term net pension liability.

Deferred outflows and inflows and the associated net pension liability relates to the required reporting requirements of the unfunded Florida Retirement System pension liabilities in accounting for pensions.

The key elements of the changes in the School's net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017 are as follows:

	Governmental Activities					
	6-30-16	6-30-17	Increase (Decrease)			
<b>Revenues:</b> Federal through State and Local State Sources Local and Other	\$ 41,748 2,962,221 325,254	\$     52,307 3,092,434 <u>398,839</u>	\$			
Total Revenues	3,329,223	3,543,580	214,357			
Expenses: Instruction Pupil Personnel Services Instructional Media	2,384,436 74,332 694	2,476,788 68,993 648	92,352 (5,339) (46)			
Instructional Staff Training Board of Education School Administration Fiscal Services	13,160 18,791 418,541 68,351	21,285 21,382 453,243 69,893	8,125 2,591 34,702 1,542			
Food Services Central Services Pupil Transportation Operation of Plant	500 29,425 113,338 231,644	608 22,241 113,756 256,254	108 (7,184) 418 24,610			
Loss on Disposal of Capital Assets Interest on Debt	- 293,025	22,861 316,465	22,861 23,440			
Total Expenses Increase/(Decrease) in Net Position	3,646,237 \$ (317,014)	<u>3,844,417</u> \$ (300,837)	<u>198,180</u> \$ 16,177			

## **Operating Results for the Year**

The largest revenue source for the School is the State of Florida (87%). Revenues from State sources for current operations are primarily received through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) funding formula and Charter School Capital Outlay funds. Both sources utilize student enrollment data to determine the funds available for the School.

Expenses increased primarily due to general economic conditions and the financial needs of the school based on available resources.

The School's financial statements reflects an annual expense amount to be reported by Schools participating in the Florida Retirement System (FRS) to report the employer's proportional share of the net pension expense and liability of the FRS plan.

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL'S FUNDS

#### **Governmental Funds**

As the School completed the year, its governmental funds reported an unassigned fund balance of \$650,159.

## GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The general fund budget for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, was developed based on the School's anticipated revenues and expenditures and the expected student population for the school year. Over the course of the year, the School revised its budget several times. Refer to the Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund for additional information.

## CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

#### **Capital Assets**

At June 30, 2017, the School had invested \$5,629,739 in capital assets, including land, buildings, and furniture, fixtures and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation. Additional information about the School's capital assets is presented in the notes to the financial statements.

#### Long-Term Debt

At June 30, 2017, the School had \$6,431,534 outstanding as a result of debt issued in order to construct the School's educational facilities. Additional information about the School's long-term debt is presented in the notes to the financial statements.

At June 30, 2017, the School reported a liability of \$1,424,968 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. Additional information about the School's long-term debt is presented in the notes to the financial statements.

## ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The following economic indicators were taken into account when adopting the general fund budget for fiscal year 2018:

- Projected increase in student population.
- Conservative estimate of FEFP.
- Projected salary and benefit increases.
- Projected interest and debt principal payments.
- Increases in the cost of insurance, other business operating expenses, and facility operations and maintenance.

#### **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the School's, finances and to demonstrate the School's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the School's administrative offices at 5316 Berkley Road, Auburndale, Florida 33823.

## STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2017

		vernmental Activities
ASSETS	¢	770 216
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$	778,316
Due From Other Agencies		333,844
Deposits & Prepaid Expenses		21,862
Capital Assets:		215 000
Land		215,000
Buildings, Net		5,391,726
Furniture, fixtures and Equipment, Net		23,013
Total Capital Assets, Net		5,629,739
TOTAL ASSETS		6,763,761
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred Outflow Related to Pensions		587,768
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		587,768
LIABILITIES		
Salary & Benefits Payable		346,362
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses		57,682
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Notes Payable, due within one year		160,707
Notes Payable, due after one year		6,270,827
Net Pension Liability		1,424,968
TOTAL LIABILITIES		8,260,546
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred Inflow Related to Pensions		22 101
		23,101
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		23,101
NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets		(801,795)
Undesignated		(130,323)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	(932,118)

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	_	Expenses		Charges for Services	(	ogram Revent Operating Grants and ontributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	-	Net (Expenses) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:									
Instruction	\$	2,476,788	\$	-	\$	52,307	\$ -	\$	(2,424,481)
Pupil Personnel Services		68,993							(68,993)
Instructional Media		648							(648)
Instructional Staff Training		21,285							(21,285)
Board of Education		21,382							(21,382)
School Administration		453,243							(453,243)
Fiscal Services		69,893							(69,893)
Food Services		608							(608)
Central Services		22,241							(22,241)
Pupil Transportation		113,756				114,570			814
Operation of Plant		256,254							(256,254)
Loss on Disposal of Capital Assets		22,861							(22,861)
Interest on Long Term Debt		316,465					 130,726		(185,739)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	3,844,417	\$	-	\$	166,877	\$ 130,726		(3,546,814)
	G	eneral Revenu	ies:						
		State Sources							2,847,138
		Local and Otl	ner						398,839
		Total Gener	al R	evenues					3,245,977
		Change in Ne	t Pos	sition					(300,837)
		Net Position -							(631,281)
		Net Position -			7			\$	(932,118)

## BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2017

	General Fund		Other Governmental Funds		C	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS	_					
Cash & Cash Equivalents Due From Other Agencies	\$	778,316 333,844	\$	-	\$	778,316 333,844
Deposits & Prepaid Expenses		21,862		-		21,862
Total Assets	\$	1,134,022	\$	-	\$	1,134,022
LIABILITIES						
Salary and Benefits Payable Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	\$	239,356 57,682	\$	-	\$	239,356 57,682
Total Liabilities		297,038		-		297,038
FUND BALANCE						
Nonspendable		21,862				21,862
Committed		164,963				164,963
Unassigned		650,159				650,159
Total Fund Balances		836,984				836,984
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	1,134,022	\$	-	\$	1,134,022

## RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2017

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 836,984
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources are not available in the current period and not reported in the governmental funds and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental	
funds.	564,667
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds.	5,629,739
Amounts accrued for compensated absences are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds.	(107,006)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of:	
Notes Payable(6,431,534)Net Pension Liability(1,424,968)	 (7,856,502)
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$ (932,118)

#### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

		General Fund	_	Other Governmental Funds	-	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues						
Intergovernmental:	¢		¢	50 207	¢	50 207
Federal Through State and Local	\$	-	\$	52,307	\$	52,307
State Sources Local and Other Revenue		3,092,434				3,092,434
		398,839		52.207		398,839
Total Revenues		3,491,273		52,307		3,543,580
Expenditures						
Current - Education:						
Instruction		2,026,919		52,307		2,079,226
Pupil Personnel Services		68,993				68,993
Instructional Media		648				648
Instructional Staff Training		21,285				21,285
Board of Education		21,382				21,382
School Administration		362,972				362,972
Fiscal Services		69,893				69,893
Food Services		608				608
Central Services		22,241				22,241
Pupil Transportation		113,756				113,756
Operation of Plant		256,254				256,254
Fixed Capital Outlay:		(0( 542				(0) 542
Facilities Acquisition & Construction		606,543				606,543
Other Capital Outlay Debt Service:		4,051				4,051
Principal		175,715				175,715
Interest and Fiscal Charges		316,465				316,465
-				52 207		
Total Expenditures		4,067,725		52,307		4,120,032
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over		(576 452)				(57( 152)
Expenditures		(576,452)		-		(576,452)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Construction Note Payable Proceeds		350,000				350,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		350,000		-		350,000
Net Change in Fund Balances		(226,452)		-		(226,452)
Fund Balances, July 1, 2016		1,063,436		-		1,063,436
Fund Balances, June 30, 2017	\$	836,984	\$	-	\$	836,984

## RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ (226,452)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount of capital outlay expense (\$610,594) in excess of depreciation expense (\$408,471) in the current period.	202,123
Expenses in the statement of activities that do not require the use of current financial resources are not reported in the governmental funds:	
Compensated absences	(4,758)
Pension Expense (calculated for net pension liability)	(184,466)
Pension contributions made subsequent to the pension liability measurement date of 6/30/16	109,862
The loss on capital assets included in the statement of activities does not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	(22,861)
Net proceeds from notes payable provide current financial resources to the governmental funds, but increase long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.	(350,000)
Principal payments on long-term debt are expenditures in the governmental funds, but the repayments reduce long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.	 175,715
Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$ (300,837)

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2017

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Reporting Entity

Berkley Accelerated Middle School, Inc., ("School") is a not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act. The governing body of the School is the not-for-profit corporation Board of Directors, which is comprised of not less than three members.

The general operating authority of the School is contained in Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. The School operates under a charter of the sponsoring school district, the District School Board of Polk County, Florida, ("District"). The current charter is effective until June 30, 2022, due to High Performing Charter Status Designation earned by the State of Florida Department of Education. The charter may be renewed for up to an additional fifteen years by mutual written agreement between the School and the District. At the end of the term of the charter, the District may choose not to renew the charter under grounds specified in the charter. In this case, the District is required to notify the school in writing at least 90 days prior to the charter's expiration. During the term of the charter, the District may also terminate the charter if good cause is shown. In the event of termination of the charter, any property purchased by the School with public funds and any unencumbered public funds revert back to the District. The School is considered a component unit of the District; and meets the definition of a governmental entity under the Audit and Accounting Guide - State and Local Governments issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants; therefore, for financial reporting purposes, the School is required to follow generally accepted accounting principles applicable to state and local governmental units.

Criteria for determining if other entities are potential component units which should be reported within the School's basic financial statements are identified and described in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's (GASB) *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*, Sections 2100 and 2600. The application of these criteria provides for identification of any entities for which the School is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the School are such that exclusion would cause the School's basic financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Based on these criteria, no component units are included within the reporting entity of the School.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The School's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Accordingly, both government-wide and fund financial statements are presented.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2017

<u>Government-wide Financial Statements</u> - Government-wide financial statements, including the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, present information about the School as a whole.

Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the School's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and are thereby clearly identifiable to a particular function.

Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the School.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the School in the governmental funds. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is reported in a separate column. Because the focus of governmental fund financial statements differs from the focus of government-wide financial statements, a reconciliation is presented with each of the governmental fund financial statements.

The School's major governmental fund is as follows:

• <u>General Fund</u> – to account for all financial resources not required to be accounted for in another fund, and for certain revenues from the State that are legally restricted to be expended for specific current operating purposes.

All other governmental funds are non-major and are presented in the aggregate.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures, or expenses, are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Revenues from grants, entitlements, and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, except for certain grant revenues, are recognized

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2017

when they become measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year. When grant terms provide that the expenditure of resources is the prime factor for determining eligibility for Federal, State, and other grant resources, revenue is recognized at the time the expenditure is made. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized when due. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation, are not recognized in governmental funds.

#### Cash Deposits

Cash deposits consist primarily of demand deposits held by banks qualified as public depositories under Florida law. Deposits on hand at financial institutions are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Company and collateralized with securities held in Florida's multiple financial institution collateral pool as required by Chapter 280, Florida Statutes.

#### > <u>Capital Assets and Depreciation</u>

Expenditures for capital assets acquired or constructed for general School purposes are reported in the governmental fund that financed the acquisition or construction. The capital assets so acquired are reported at cost in the government-wide statement of net assets but are not reported in the governmental fund financial statements. Donated capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of donation. Capital assets are defined by the School as those costing more than \$750. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Description	Estimated Lives
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	3 - 5 years
Buildings	10-20 years

Current-year information relative to changes in capital assets is described in a subsequent note.

#### Compensated Absences

Compensated absences (i.e. paid absences for employee vacation and sick leave) are recorded as an expenditure in governmental funds when leave is used or when accrued as payable to employees entitled to cash payment in lieu of taking leave. In the government-wide financial statements, compensated absences are recorded as an expense when earned by the employees. The liability for compensated absences is classified as current in the government-wide financial statements

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because the amount of vacation and sick time to be used after the following year cannot be reasonably estimated.

> <u>Pensions</u>

In the government-wide statement of net position, liabilities are recognized for the School's proportionate share of each pension plan's net pension liability. For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Florida Retirement System (FRS) defined benefit plan and the Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) defined benefit plan and additions to/deductions from the FRS's and the HIS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the FRS and the HIS plans. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value. As of June 30, 2017, the School's proportionate share of the net pension liabilities totaled \$1,424,968.

The School's retirement plans and related amounts are described in a subsequent note.

## Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term obligations that will be financed from resources to be received in the future by governmental funds are reported as liabilities in the government-wide statement of net position.

In the governmental fund financial statements, bonds and other long-term obligations are not recognized as liabilities until due.

Changes in long-term liabilities for the current year are reported in a subsequent note.

#### > Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until then.

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#### > <u>Net Position and Fund Balance Classification</u>

#### Government-wide Financial Statements

Net Position are classified and reported in three components:

- <u>Net Investment in Capital Assets</u> consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings that are attributed to the acquisition or improvement of those assets.
- <u>Restricted Net Position</u> consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by external groups such as creditors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments.
- <u>Unrestricted Net Position</u> all other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

#### Fund Financial Statements

GASB Codification Section 1800.142, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, defines the different types of fund balances that a governmental entity must use for financial reporting purposes. GASB requires the fund balance amounts to be reported within one of the following fund balance categories:

- <u>Nonspendable</u> fund balance associated with inventories, prepaid expenses, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed or assigned). All nonspendable fund balances at year end relate to assets that are in nonspendable form.
- <u>Restricted</u> fund balance that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by the constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.
- <u>Committed</u> fund balance that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the School's Board of Governance.
- <u>Assigned</u> fund balance that is intended to be used by the School's management for specific purposes but does not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.
- <u>Unassigned</u> fund balance that is the residual amount for the School's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

## > Order of Fund Balance Spending Policy

The School's policy is to apply expenditures against nonspendable fund balance, restricted fund balance, committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and unassigned fund balance at the end of the fiscal year. First, nonspendable fund balances are determined. Then restricted fund balances for specific purposes are determined (not including nonspendable amounts). Any remaining fund balance amounts for the non-general funds are to be classified as restricted fund balance.

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It is possible for the non-general funds to be classified as restricted fund balance. It is possible for the non-general funds to have negative unassigned fund balance when nonspendable amounts plus the amount of restricted fund balances for specific purposes exceed the positive fund balance for non-general fund.

#### Revenue Sources

Revenues for current operations are received primarily from the District pursuant to the funding provisions included in the School's charter. As such, the School's revenue stream is largely dependent upon the general state of the economy and the amounts allotted to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) by the state legislature. In accordance with the funding provisions of the charter and Section 1002.33(18), Florida Statutes, the School reports the number of full-time equivalent students and related data to the District.

Under provisions of Section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, the District reports the number of full-time equivalent students and related data to the FDOE for funding through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP). Funding for the School is adjusted during the year to reflect the revised calculations by the FDOE under the FEFP and the actual weighted full-time equivalent (FTE) students reported by the School during designated full-time equivalent student survey periods. The Department may also adjust subsequent fiscal period allocations based upon an audit of the School's compliance in determining and reporting FTE and related data. Normally, such adjustments are treated as reductions or additions of revenue in the year when the adjustments are made. The District receives a 2% administrative fee from the School due to High Performing Charter Status Designation earned by the State of Florida Department of Education, which is reflected in the accompanying statement of activities and statement of revenues, expenditures and change in fund balances – governmental funds.

The basic amount of funding through the FEFP under Section 1011.62 is the product of the (1) unweighted FTE, multiplied by (2) the cost factor for each program, multiplied by (3) the base student allocation established by the legislature. Additional funds for exceptional students who have a matrix of services are provided through the guaranteed allocation designated in Section 1011.62(1)(e)2., Florida Statutes. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the School reported 464.25 unweighted and 464.25 weighted FTE.

FEFP funding may also be adjusted as a result of subsequent FTE audits conducted by the Florida Auditor General pursuant to Section 1010.305, Florida Statutes, and Rule 6A-1.0453, Florida Administrative Code (FAC). Schools are required to maintain the following documentation for three years or until the completion of an FTE audit:

- Attendance and membership documentation (Rule 6A-1.044, FAC).
- Teacher certificates and other certification documentation (Rule 6A-1.0503, FAC).
- Documentation for instructors teaching out-of-field (Rule 6A-1.0503, FAC).

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- Procedural safeguards for weighted programs (Rule 6A-6.03411, FAC).
- Evaluation and planning documents for weighted programs (Section 1010.305, Florida Statutes, and Rule 6A-6.03411, FAC).

The School receives federal or state awards for the enhancement of various educational programs. This assistance is generally received based on applications submitted to and approved by various granting agencies. For federal or state awards in which a claim to these grant proceeds is based on incurring eligible expenditures, revenue is recognized to the extent that eligible expenditures have been incurred.

The School also receives state funds through the District under charter school capital outlay funding pursuant to Section 1013.62, Florida Statutes. The amounts received under this program are based on the School's actual and projected student enrollment during the fiscal year. Funds received under this program may only be used for lawful capital outlay expenditures and, as such are reflected as restricted/reserved fund balance in the accompanying statement of net assets and balance sheet – governmental funds to the extent that they remain unexpended.

The School also receives funding through donations, fundraising efforts, and local property tax collections.

The School follows the policy of applying restricted resources prior to applying unrestricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted assets are available.

#### ➢ Income Taxes

The School is exempt from Federal tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been included in the accompanying financial statements. Additionally, no uncertain tax positions have been made requiring disclosure in the related note to financial statements. The School's income tax returns for the past three years are subject to examination by tax authorities and may change upon examination.

#### Use of Estimates

In preparing the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (GAAP) management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the statement of net assets and affect revenues and expenditures for the period presented. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

#### Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated all events subsequent to the balance sheet date and through the report date, which is the date these financial statements were available to be issued. Management determined there are no subsequent events which require disclosure.

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#### 2. CASH DEPOSITS

*Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits*. In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School's deposits may not be returned to the School. The School does not have a custodial credit risk policy. All cash deposits are held in banks that qualify as public depositories under Florida law. All such deposits are insured by federal depository insurance and/or collateralized with securities held in Florida's multiple financial institution collateral pool as required by Chapter 280, Florida Statutes.

#### 3. DUE FROM OTHER AGENCY

The amount Due from Other Agency included in the accompanying statement of net assets and balance sheet – governmental funds consists of amounts due from Polk County District School Board for Charter School Capital Outlay and amounts due from the Polk Pre-Collegiate Academy charter school for facilities use payments and payroll reimbursements due. These receivable are considered to be fully collectible and as such, no allowance for uncollectibles is accrued.

#### 4. CHANGES IN CAPITAL ASSETS

Changes in capital assets are presented in the table below.

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES				
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 215,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 215,000
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	215,000		-	215,000
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:				
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	270,587	4,051	102,973	\$ 171,665
Buildings	7,828,120	606,543	457,231	7,977,432
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	8,098,707	610,594	560,204	8,149,097
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	(234,727)	(16,898)	(102,973)	(148,652)
Buildings	(2,628,503)	(391,573)	(434,370)	(2,585,706)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(2,863,230)	(408,471)	(537,343)	(2,734,358)
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	5,235,477	202,123	22,861	5,414,739
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 5,450,477	\$ 202,123	\$ 22,861	\$ 5,629,739

Depreciation expense was charged to functions as follows:

Governmental Activities	Amount		
Instruction	\$	318,200	
School Administration		90,271	
Total Depreciation Expense	\$	408,471	

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#### 5. NOTES PAYABLE

Notes payable at June 30, 2017, are as follows:

	Amount	Interest	Annual
Type of Debt	Outstanding	Rates	Maturity To
Notes Payable:			
Premier Comm. Bank Loan	\$ 334,789	4.50%	2032
USDA Refinance Loan	3,335,407	4.25-6.00%	2039
USDA School Facility Loan	2,761,338	4.25-6.00%	2039
Total Bonds Payable	\$ 6,431,534		

**USDA Refinance Loan With 1<sup>st</sup> Manatee Bank:** On January 10, 2013, \$3,594,000 in loan proceeds were advanced from the 1<sup>st</sup> Manatee Bank in order to refinance previously entered into financing arrangements. The previously issued debt has been repaid in full from the proceeds of this loan. \$676,196 of the loan balance currently bears interest at 5.00 percent. The remaining \$2,659,211 of the loan currently bears interest at 5.00 percent. Eighty percent of the loan balance shall bear interest at the "Prime Rate" which shall mean an adjustable variable rate equal to the Wall Street Journal prime interest rate plus one percent (1.0%), adjusted quarterly. The note is secured by land and buildings and is payable in equal monthly payments of principal and interest through the maturity date of January 10, 2039, subject to the quarterly interest rate adjustments. The balance of this note as of June 30, 2017 was \$3,335,407.

**USDA School Facility Loan With 1<sup>st</sup> Manatee Bank:** On January 10, 2013, the school was authorized to borrow up to \$3,000,000 to construct a new classroom center on the school grounds. The funds were loaned for the construction of a classroom center. The outstanding future principal balance bears interest at the "Prime Rate" which shall mean an adjustable variable rate equal to the Wall Street Journal prime interest rate plus one percent (1.0%), adjusted quarterly. The note is secured by land and the new building and is payable in equal monthly payments of principal and interest through the maturity date of January 10, 2039, subject to the quarterly interest rate adjustments. The balance of this note as of June 30, 2017 was \$2,761,338.

**Premier Community Bank Construction Loan:** On June 21, 2017, the school was authorized to borrow \$350,000 to construct a outside café area on the school grounds for varoious usage. The funds were loaned for the construction of the common area. The outstanding future principal balance bears interest at 4.5 percent for the initial five years of the loan. After each five years the interest rate may be adjusted based on the provisions of the note. The note is secured by land and the new constructed area and is payable in equal monthly payments of principal and interest through the maturity date of July 21, 2032. The balance of this note as of June 30, 2017 was \$334,789.

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Annual requirements to amortize all notes outstanding as of June 30, 2017, are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30:	 Total	 Principal	Interest
2018	\$ 542,095	\$ 160,707	\$ 381,388
2019	542,095	170,496	371,599
2020	542,095	180,383	361,712
2021	542,095	192,693	349,402
2022	542,095	209,444	332,651
2023-2027	2,710,443	1,102,590	1,607,853
2028-2032	2,678,539	1,555,596	1,122,943
2033-2037	2,549,114	1,707,300	841,814
2038-2039	 1,269,477	 1,152,325	 117,152
Total	\$ 11,918,048	\$ 6,431,534	\$ 5,486,514

Interest paid on notes payable during the year ended June 30, 2017 totaled \$316,465.

#### 6. CHANGES IN LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

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The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deductions	Ending Balance	Due in One Year
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:					
Notes Payable	\$ 6,257,249	\$ 350,000	\$ 175,715	\$ 6,431,534	\$ 160,707
Net Pension Liability	944,064	480,904		1,424,968	
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 7,201,313	\$ 830,904	\$ 175,715	\$ 7,856,502	\$ 160,707

#### 7. BOARD COMMITTED FUND BALANCE

Commitments of governmental fund balances are not legally required segregations but are segregated by the School's Board for specific purposes. As of June 30, 2017, the amount shown as Committed Fund Balance in the balance sheet – governmental funds represents moneys designated by the Board for payment of notes payable as may be needed in the future.

#### 8. RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the School carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage and settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

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#### 9. SCHEDULE OF STATE REVENUE SOURCES

The following is a schedule of the School's State revenue:

Source	Amount
Florida Education Finance Program	\$ 1,891,991
Class Size Reduction	408,176
Charter School Capital Outlay	130,726
Student Transportation	114,570
Discretionary Millage	109,251
Supplementary Academic Instruction	104,469
Discretionary Tax Equalization Allocation	97,443
ESE Guaranteed Allocation	76,066
School Recognition	46,238
Instructional Materials	36,523
Teacher Salary Increase Allocation	34,085
Reading Allocation	18,569
Digital Classroom Allocation	9,579
Teacher Lead Program	7,656
Lottery Allocation	7,092
Total State Revenue	\$ 3,092,434

As provided in the charter school contract, the District has charged the School an administrative fee totaling \$30,950.

#### 10. FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM (FRS) – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

#### General Information about the Florida Retirement System (FRS)

The FRS was created in Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, to provide a defined benefit pension plan for participating public employees. The FRS was amended in 1998 to add the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) under the defined benefit plan and amended in 2000 to provide a defined contribution plan alternative to the defined benefit plan for FRS members effective July 1, 2002. This integrated defined contribution pension plan is the FRS Investment Plan. Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, established the HIS Program, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan to assist retired members of any State-administered retirement system in paying the costs of health insurance.

Essentially all regular employees of the School are eligible to enroll as members of the State-administered FRS. Provisions relating to the FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112, Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. Such provisions may be amended at any time by further action from the Florida Legislature. The FRS is a single

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retirement system administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of two cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plans and other nonintegrated programs. A comprehensive annual financial report of the FRS, which includes its financial statements, required supplementary information, actuarial report, and other relevant information, is available from the Florida Department of Management Services' Web site (www.dms.myflorida.com).

The School's FRS and HIS pension expense totaled \$184,466 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

#### **FRS Pension Plan**

<u>*Plan Description.*</u> The FRS Pension Plan (Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, with a DROP for eligible employees. The general classes of membership are as follows:

• *Regular Class* – Members of the FRS who do not qualify for membership in the other classes.

Employees enrolled in the Plan prior to July 1, 2011, vest at 6 years of creditable service and employees enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, vest at 8 years of creditable service. All vested members, enrolled prior to July 1, 2011, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 62 or at any age after 30 years of service. All members enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, once vested, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 65 or any time after 33 years of creditable service. Employees enrolled in the Plan may include up to 4 years of credit for military service toward creditable service. The Plan also includes an early retirement provision; however, there is a benefit reduction for each year a member retires before his or her normal retirement date. The Plan provides retirement, disability, death benefits, and annual cost-of-living adjustments to eligible participants.

DROP, subject to provisions of Section 121.091, Florida Statutes, permits employees eligible for normal retirement under the Plan to defer receipt of monthly benefit payments while continuing employment with an FRS-participating employer. An employee may participate in DROP for a period not to exceed 60 months after electing to participate. During the period of DROP participation, deferred monthly benefits are held in the FRS Trust Fund and accrue interest. The net pension liability does not include amounts for DROP participants, as these members are considered retired and are not accruing additional pension benefits.

<u>Benefits Provided</u>. Benefits under the Plan are computed on the basis of age and/or years of service, average final compensation, and service credit. Credit for each year of service is expressed as a percentage of the average final compensation. For members initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the 5 highest fiscal years' earnings; for members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, the average final compensation or after July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the 8 highest fiscal years' earnings. The total percentage value of the benefit received is determined by calculating the total value of all service, which is based on retirement plan and/or the class to which the member belonged when the service credit was earned. Members are eligible for in-line-of-duty or

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regular disability and survivors' benefits. The following chart shows the percentage value for each year of service credit earned:

Class, Initial Enrollment, and Retirement Age/Years of Service	% Value
Regular Class members initially enrolled before July 1, 2011	
Retirement up to age 62 or up to 30 years of service	1.60
Retirement at age 63 or with 31 years of service	1.63
Retirement at age 64 or with 32 years of service	1.65
Retirement at age 65 or with 33 or more years of service	1.68
Regular Class members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011	
Retirement up to age 65 or up to 33 years of service	1.60
Retirement at age 66 or with 34 years of service	1.63
Retirement at age 67 or with 35 years of service	1.65
Retirement at age 68 or with 36 or more years of service	1.68

As provided in Section 121.101, Florida Statutes, if the member is initially enrolled in the FRS before July 1, 2011, and all service credit was accrued before July 1, 2011, the annual cost-of-living adjustment is 3 percent per year. If the member is initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, and has service credit on or after July 1, 2011, there is an individually calculated cost-of-living adjustment. The annual cost-of-living adjustment is a proportion of 3 percent determined by dividing the sum of the pre-July 2011 service credit by the total service credit at retirement multiplied by 3 percent. Plan members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, will not have a cost-of-living adjustment after retirement.

<u>Contributions</u>. The Florida Legislature establishes contribution rates for participating employers and employees. Contribution rates during the 2016-17 fiscal year were as follows:

	Percent of	Percent of Gross Salary			
Class	Employee	Employer (1)			
FRS, Regular	3.00	7.52			
FRS, Reemployed Retiree	(2)	(2)			

Notes: (1) Employer rates include 1.66 percent for the postemployment health insurance subsidy. Also, employer rates, other than for DROP participants, include 0.06 percent for administrative costs of the Investment Plan.

(2) Contribution rates are dependent upon retirement class in which reemployed.

The School's contributions to the Plan totaled \$87,191 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred</u> <u>Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u>. At June 30, 2017, the School reported a liability of \$828,268 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1,

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2016. The School's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the School's 2015-16 fiscal year contributions relative to the total 2015-16 fiscal year contributions of all participating members. At June 30, 2016, the School's proportionate share was .003280256 percent, which was an increase of .000093306 from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2015.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the School recognized pension expense of \$126,797. In addition, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Description	 red Outflows Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and			
actual experience	\$ 63,419	\$	7,712
Change of assumptions	50,108		
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on FRS Plan investments Changes in proportion and differences between	214,097		
School FRS contributions and proportionate share of contributions	14,824		14,030
School FRS contributions subsequent to the measurement date	 87,191		-
Total	\$ 429,639	\$	21,742

The deferred outflows of resources related to pensions totaling \$87,191, resulting from School contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Amount	nount	
2018	\$ 44,06	6	
2019	44,06	6	
2020	127,53	5	
2021	87,28	4	
2022	12,83	8	
Thereafter	4,12	4	
Total	\$ 319,91	2	

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u>. The total pension liability in the July 1, 2016, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.60 percent
Salary increases	3.25 percent, average, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.60 percent, net of pension plan investment
	expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the Generational RP-2000 with Projection Scale BB.

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The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2016, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2013.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was not based on historical returns, but instead is based on a forward-looking capital market economic model. The allocation policy's description of each asset class was used to map the target allocation to the asset classes shown below. Each asset class assumption is based on a consistent set of underlying assumptions, and includes an adjustment for the inflation assumption. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic and geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation (1)	Annual Arithmetic Return	Compound Annual (Geometric) Return	Standard Deviation
Cash	1%	3.0%	3.0%	1.7%
Fixed Income	18%	4.7%	4.6%	4.6%
Global Equity	53%	8.1%	6.8%	17.2%
Real Estate (Property)	10%	6.4%	5.8%	12.0%
Private Equity	6%	11.5%	7.8%	30.0%
Strategic Investments	12%	6.1%	5.6%	11.4%
Total	100%			
Assumed inflation - Mean		2.6%		1.9%

Note: (1) As outlined in the Plan's investment policy.

<u>Discount Rate</u>. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.60 percent. The Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return.

<u>Sensitivity of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in</u> <u>the Discount Rate</u>. The following presents the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.60 percent, as well as what the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.60 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (8.60 percent) than the current rate:

	Decrease (6.60%)	Discount Rate (7.60%)		Increase (8.60%)	
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,524,896	\$	828,268	\$ 248,416	

<u>Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position</u>. Detailed information about the Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued FRS Pension Plan and Other State Administered Systems Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

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#### **HIS Pension Plan**

<u>Plan Description</u>. The HIS Pension Plan (HIS Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established under Section 112.363, Florida Statutes, and may be amended by the Florida Legislature at any time. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of State-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement.

<u>Benefits Provided</u>. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment of \$5 for each year of creditable service completed at the time of retirement with a minimum HIS payment of \$30 and a maximum HIS payment of \$150 per month, pursuant to Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under a State-administered retirement system must provide proof of health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

<u>Contributions</u>. The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employers as set by the Florida Legislature. Employer contributions are a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the contribution rate was 1.66 percent of payroll pursuant to Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The School contributed 100 percent of its statutorily required contributions for the current and preceding 3 years. HIS Plan contributions are deposited in a separate trust fund from which HIS payments are authorized. HIS Plan benefits are not guaranteed and are subject to annual legislative appropriation. In the event the legislative appropriation or available funds fail to provide full subsidy benefits to all participants, benefits may be reduced or canceled.

The School's contributions to the HIS Plan totaled \$22,671 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred</u> <u>Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u>. At June 30, 2017, the School reported a net pension liability of \$596,700 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The current portion of the net pension liability is the School's proportionate share of benefit payments expected to be paid within one year, net of the School's proportionate share of the HIS Plan's fiduciary net position available to pay that amount. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by applying update procedures to the HIS Plan actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2016. The School's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the School's 2015-16 fiscal year contributions relative to the total 2015-16 fiscal year contributions of all participating members. At June 30, 2016, the School's proportionate share was .005119878 percent, which was an increase of .000135554 from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2015.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the School recognized pension expense of \$57,669. In addition, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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Description		ed Outflows Resources		red Inflows esources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	-	\$	1,359
Change of assumptions Net difference between projected and actual	·	93,637	·	·
earnings on HIS Plan investments		301		
Changes in proportion and differences between School HIS contributions and proportionate share of HIS contributions		41,520		
School contributions subsequent to the measurement date		22,671		<u> </u>
Total	\$	158,129	\$	1,359

The deferred outflows of resources totaling \$22,671, resulting from School contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	A	Amount		
2018	\$	16,578		
2019		16,578		
2020		16,521		
2021		16,493		
2022		14,269		
Thereafter		12,141		
Total	\$	92,579		

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u>. The total pension liability at July 1, 2016, determined by applying update procedures to the actuarial valuation at July 1, 2014, used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.60 percent
Salary increases	3.25 percent, average, including inflation
Municipal bond rate	2.85 percent

Mortality rates were based on the Generational RP-2000 with Projected Scale BB.

While an experience study had not been completed for the HIS Plan, the actuarial assumptions that determined the total pension liability for the HIS Plan were based on certain results of the most recent experience study for the FRS Plan.

<u>Discount Rate</u>. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 2.85 percent. In general, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the single rate equivalent to discounting at the long-term expected rate of return for benefit payments prior to the projected depletion date. Because the HIS benefit is essentially funded on a pay-as-you-go basis, the depletion date is considered to be

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immediate, and the single equivalent discount rate is equal to the municipal bond rate selected by the plan sponsor. The Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index was adopted as the applicable municipal bond index.

<u>Sensitivity of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in</u> <u>the Discount Rate</u>. The following presents the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 2.85 percent, as well as what the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (1.85 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (3.85percent) than the current rate:

		1%	(	Current	1%
	_	ecrease (1.85%)	-	count Rate (2.85%)	Increase (3.85%)
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	684,551	\$	596,700	\$ 523,789

<u>Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position</u>. Detailed information about the HIS Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued FRS Pension Plan and Other State Administered Systems Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

#### 11. FRS – Defined Contribution Pension Plans

The SBA administers the defined contribution plan officially titled the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan). The Investment Plan is reported in the SBA's annual financial statements and in the State of Florida Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

As provided in Section 121.4501, Florida Statutes, eligible FRS members may elect to participate in the Investment Plan in lieu of the FRS defined benefit plan. School employees already participating in the State School System Optional Retirement Program or DROP are not eligible to participate in the Investment Plan. Employer and employee contributions are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Service retirement benefits are based upon the value of the member's account upon retirement. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contributions rates, that are based on salary and membership class (Regular Class, Senior Management Service Class, etc.), as the FRS defined benefit plan. Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices. Costs of administering the Investment Plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.06 percent of payroll and by forfeited benefits of Investment Plan members. Allocations to the Investment Plan member accounts during the 2016-17 fiscal year were as follows:

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	Percent of
	Gross
Class	Compensation
FRS, Regular	6.30

For all membership classes, employees are immediately vested in their own contributions and are vested after 1 year of service for employer contributions and investment earnings regardless of membership class. If an accumulated benefit obligation for service credit originally earned under the FRS Pension Plan is transferred to the Investment Plan, the member must have the years of service required for FRS Pension Plan vesting (including the service credit represented by the transferred funds) to be vested for these funds and the earnings on the funds. Nonvested employer contributions are placed in a suspense account for up to 5 years. If the employee returns to FRS-covered employment within the 5 year period, the employee will regain control over their account. If the employee does not return within the 5 year period, the employee will forfeit the accumulated account balance. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the information for the amount of forfeitures was unavailable from the SBA; however, management believes that these amounts, if any, would be immaterial to the School.

After termination and applying to receive benefits, the member may rollover vested funds to another qualified plan, structure a periodic payment under the Investment Plan, receive a lump-sum distribution, leave the funds invested for future distribution, or any combination of these options. Disability coverage is provided in which the member may either transfer the account balance to the FRS Pension Plan when approved for disability retirement to receive guaranteed lifetime monthly benefits under the FRS Pension Plan, or remain in the Investment Plan and rely upon that account balance for retirement income.

The School's Investment Plan pension expense totaled \$18,635 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

## 12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The School participates in state and federal grant programs, which are governed by various rules and regulations of the grantor agencies. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies, therefore, to the extent that the School has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, refunds of any money received may be required and the collectability of any related receivables at June 30, 2017, may be impaired.

In the opinion of the School, there are no significant liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying financial statements for such contingencies.

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#### 13. FUNDING AND CREDIT RISK CONCENTRATIONS

The School receives substantially all of its support and revenue from federal, state and local funding sources, passed through the District, in the form of performance and budget based contracts. Continuing operation of the School is greatly dependent upon the continued support of these governmental agencies.

#### 14. LEGAL MATTERS

In the normal course of conducting its operations, the School occasionally becomes party to various legal actions and proceedings. The School has no legal actions or pending proceedings in progress.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND - (UNAUDITED) For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	General Fund								
		Original Budget	_	Final Budget		Actual		Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)	
Revenues:									
Intergovernmental:	¢	0.404.004	¢	0.000.404	۴	0.000.404	۴		
State Sources Local and Other Revenue	\$	3,101,924	\$	3,092,434	\$	3,092,434	\$	-	
		175,542		398,839		398,839			
Total Revenues		3,277,466		3,491,273		3,491,273		-	
Expenditures:									
Current - Education:				/ -					
Instruction		1,889,804		2,026,919		2,026,919		-	
Pupil Personnel Services		66,914		68,993		68,993		-	
Instructional Media		750		648		648		-	
Instructional Staff Training		9,600		21,285		21,285		-	
Board of Education		21,382		21,382		21,382		-	
School Administration		332,916		362,972		362,972		-	
Fiscal Services		70,563		69,893		69,893		-	
Food Services		608		608		608		-	
Central Services		22,500		22,241		22,241		-	
Pupil Transportation		112,279		113,756		113,756		-	
Operation of Plant Fixed Capital Outlay:		249,184		256,254		256,254		-	
Other Capital Outlay				4,051		4,051			
Debt Service:				4,051		4,051		-	
Principal		175,752		175,715		175,715		_	
Interest and Fiscal Charges		316,432		316,465		316,465			
Total Expenditures		3,268,684		4,067,725		4,067,725	_		
•		3,200,004		4,007,725		4,007,725	_		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		8,782		(576,452)		(576,452)		-	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Construction Note Payable Proceeds		-		350,000		350,000			
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		-		350,000		350,000		-	
Net Change in Fund Balance		8,782		(226,452)		(226,452)		-	
Fund Balance, July 1, 2016		918,914		1,063,436		1,063,436		-	
Fund Balance, June 30, 2017	\$	927,696	\$	836,984	\$	836,984	\$		
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#### Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability Florida Retirement System

	 as of 6/30/16 (Note 1)	as of 6/30/15 (Note 1)			as of 6/30/14 (Note 1)
Proportion of the net pension liability/(asset)	0.003280256%		0.003373562%		0.003234342%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability/(asset)	\$ 828,268	\$	435,741	\$	197,343
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,529,807		\$ 1,268,109		1,228,940
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	54%		34%		16%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (Note 2)	84.88%		92.00%		96.09%

Note 1: GASB 68 requires information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, governments should present information for only those years for which information is available.

Note 2: The Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability is published in Note 4 of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

#### Schedule of Contributions Florida Retirement System

	6	as of 6/30/17 (Note 1)	as of 6/30/16 (Note 1)				 as of 6/30/14 (Note 1)
Contractually required contribution	\$	87,191	\$	79,995	\$	82,251	\$ 70,845
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$	(87,191)	\$	(79,995)	\$	(82,251)	\$ (70,845)
Contribution deficiency/(excess)		-		-		-	-
Covered-employee payroll	\$	1,336,318	\$	1,529,807	\$	1,268,109	\$ 1,228,940
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		6.52%		5.23%		6.49%	5.76%

Note 1: GASB 68 requires information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, governments should present information for only those years for which information is available.

## Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability Health Insurance Subsidy Program

	as of 6/30/16 (Note 1)	 as of 6/30/15 (Note 1)	 as of 6/30/14 (Note 1)
Proportion of the net pension liability/(asset)	0.005119878%	0.004984324%	0.004664581%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability/(asset)	596,700	\$ 508,323	\$ 436,150
Covered-employee payroll	1,529,807	\$ 1,519,045	\$ 1,420,369
Proportionate share of the net pension liability/(asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	39%	33%	31%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (Note 2)	0.97%	0.50%	0.99%

Note 1: GASB 68 requires information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, governments should present information for only those years for which information is available.

Note 2: The Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability is published in Note 4 of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

#### Schedule of Contributions Health Insurance Subsidy Program

	as of 6/30/17 (Note 1)	as of 6/30/16 (Note 1)		6 as of 6/30/15 (Note 1)			as of 6/30/14 (Note 1)		
Contractually required contribution	22,671	\$	22,133	\$	19,053	\$	15,979		
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(22,671)	\$	(22,133)	\$	(19,053)	\$	(15,979)		
Contribution deficiency/(excess)	-		-		-		-		
Covered-employee payroll	1,571,242	\$	1,529,807	\$	1,519,045	\$	1,420,369		
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	1.44%		1.45%		1.25%		1.12%		

Note 1: GASB 68 requires information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, governments should present information for only those years for which information is available.

## NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION June 30, 2017

#### 1. BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Budgets are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the object level (e.g., salaries and benefits, purchased services, materials and supplies and capital outlay) within each activity (e.g., instruction, pupil personnel services and school administration). Budgets may be amended by resolution at any Board meeting prior to the date for the annual report.



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#### Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

To the Board of Directors Berkley Accelerated Middle School, Inc., a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Polk County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Berkley Accelerated Middle School, Inc. ("School"), a charter school and component unit of the District School Board of Polk County, Florida, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2017.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the School's internal control over financial reporting ("internal control") to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the School's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

King & Walker, CPAS

September 30, 2017 Tampa, Florida



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#### Management Letter as Required by Rules of the Florida Auditor General, Chapter 10.850, Florida Statutes, *Charter School Audits*

To the Board of Directors Berkley Accelerated Middle School, Inc., a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Polk County, Florida

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the financial statements of the Berkley Accelerated Middle School, Inc. ("School"), a charter school and component unit of the District School Board of Polk County, Florida, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2017.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and Chapter 10.850, rules of the Auditor General.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated September 30, 2017, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

#### **Prior Audit Findings**

Section 10.854(1)(e)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. The School did not have findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

#### **Official Title**

Section 10.854(1)(e)5., Rules of the Auditor General, requires the name or official title of the entity. The official title of the entity is Berkley Accelerated Middle School, Inc.

#### **Financial Condition**

Section 10.854(1)(e)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we report the results of our determination as to whether or not the School has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and identification of the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the School did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.854(1)(e)6.a. and 10.855(12), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for the School. It is management's responsibility to monitor the School's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same.

#### Transparency

Sections 10.854(1)(e)7. and 10.855(13), Rules of the Auditor General, require that we report the results of our determination as to whether the School maintains on its Web site the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we determined that the School maintained on its Web site the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes.

#### **Other Matters**

Section 10.854(1)(e)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address in the management letter any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Section 10.854(1)(e)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

#### **Purpose of this Letter**

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Board of Directors, applicable management, and the District School Board of Polk County and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Respectfully submitted,

King & Walker, CPAs

September 30, 2017 Tampa, Florida