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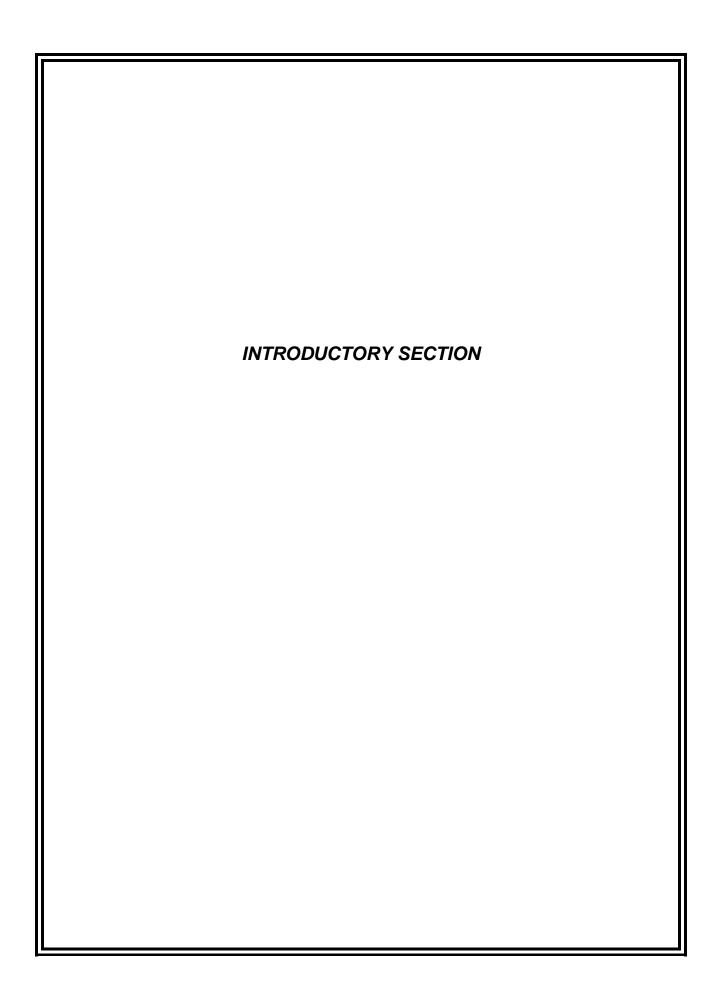
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November 28, 2017

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Passaic Arts and Science Charter School Elmwood Park, New Jersey

Dear Board Members:

The comprehensive annual financial report of the Passaic Arts and Science Charter School (the "Charter School") for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, is hereby submitted. Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the management of the Board of Trustees (the "Board"). To the best of our knowledge and belief, the data presented in this report is accurate in all material respects and is reported in a manner designed to present fairly the basic financial statements and results of operations of the various funds of the Charter School. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the Charter School's financial activities have been included.

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report is presented in four sections as follows:

- ➤ The Introductory Section contains a table of contents, Letter of Transmittal, List of Principal Officials, and an Organizational Chart of the Charter School;
- ➤ The Financial Section begins with the Independent Auditors' Report and includes the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Basic Financial Statements and Notes providing an overview of the Charter School's financial position and operating results, and other schedules providing detailed budgetary information
- The Statistical Section includes selected economic and demographic information, financial trends, and the fiscal capacity of the Charter School, generally presented on a multi-year basis;
- ➤ The Single Audit Section The Charter School is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the provisions of the *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (U.S. Uniform Guidance) and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid.* Information related to this single audit, including the independent auditor's report on the internal control and compliance with applicable laws, regulations, contracts and grants, along with findings and questioned costs, are included in the single audit section of this report.

Charter School Organization

An appointed seven member Board of Trustees (the "Board") serves as the policy maker for the Charter School. The Board adopts an annual budget and directly approves all expenditures which serve as the basis for control over and authorization for all expenditures of Charter School tax money.

The Lead-Person is the chief executive officer of the Charter School, responsible to the Board for total educational and support operations. The School Business Administrator is the chief financial officer of the Charter School, responsible to the Board for maintaining all financial records, issuing warrants in payment of liabilities incurred by the Charter School, acting as custodian of all Charter School funds, and investing idle funds as permitted by New Jersey law.

1. REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES: Passaic Arts and Science Charter School is an independent reporting entity within the criteria adopted by the Government Auditing Standards Board (GASB) as established by Statement No. 14. All funds and account groups of the school are included in this report. Passaic Arts and Science Charter School Board of Trustees constitutes the Charter School's reporting entity.

Passaic Arts and Science Charter School provides a full range of educational services appropriate to Grades K-6. These services include regular, as well as special education and basic skills instruction. The Charter School completed the 2016-2017 school year with an enrollment of 837 students. The following details the student enrollment of the Charter School.

Average Daily Enrollment

Fiscal Year	Student Enrollment	Percent Change
2016-2017	855	15.20%
2015-2016	725	29.93%
2014-2015	508	6.89%
2013-2014	473	12.47%
2012-2013	414	14.73%

- 2. <u>ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK:</u> Passaic Arts and Science Charter School continues to experience a period of development and expansion that is expected to continue through the Twenty-First Century. The increasing number of businesses within the community results in an increase in the employment level which results in an increased tax base, both residential and industrial. This expansion is expected to continue which suggests Bergen will continue to prosper.
- **3. MAJOR INITIATIVES:** The Passaic Arts and Science Charter School's mission is to provide the ideal environment for the intellectual and social development for its students by utilizing a combined effort of students, educators, families, and the community as a whole.

Mission and Educational Program in Practice

Passaic Arts and Science Charter School aims to provide the ideal environment for the intellectual and social development of its students, utilizing the combined effort of students, educators, families, and the community as a whole, by providing boundless academic and co-curricular opportunities for individual skills and talents to develop. From the inception of the school, students have been provided a multitude of opportunities extended to them that have guided them on a path to success. Our mission and vision considers the educational goals that the New Jersey Department of Education has established for *all* students. This is evidenced in the four areas identified below, which are in direct correlation to the "Building Blocks of Education" outlined by Governor Christie.

- 1. Academic Achievement concentration is placed on providing a multidimensional curriculum, research-based "best practices" instructional strategies, and student/program assessments. Literacy objectives within the NJSLS must be met to better prepare students for PARCC assessments, college acceptance, and workforce readiness. Summary writing, analysis of rich and varied literature and non-fiction text, critical research skills, and opinions supported by text-based evidence are the cornerstone elements of the NJSLS. In mathematics, lessons are aligned to the NJSLS and the content prioritized and supported with online programs for student instruction and assignments. Teachers and students have access to rich, NJSLS-aligned, engaging content, and embedded assessments with instant data.
- 2. Digital Learning Environment concentration is placed on classroom organization, integration of technology, teacher development, and effective instructional programs. This allows the Charter School to provide the most relevant, research-based educational experience to our students. The design of the program currently embraces technological literacy and integration, and in the absence of these resources, curricula cannot be delivered as designed. The rigors of the Common Core State Standards and the next-generation digital assessments require us to adjust both the method and mode of instruction to prepare our students for college and careers. We fully expect student assessment data to evidence student growth as a result, in part, of digital instruction.
- 3. Co-curricular Programs concentration is placed on academic and non-academic programs that are designed to meet the needs of the whole child (academically, socially and emotionally). Passaic Arts and Science Charter School has a vibrant arts education model, which includes multiple performances including full-length theatrical productions, concerts, cultural dances and festivals. The school is often the host location for a variety of educational presentations, educational guest speakers, science fairs and Olympiads, and math competitions. Additionally, the Charter School hosts a summer learning institute, whereby all instructional staff come together in the form of a professional learning community in order to explore best practices in education.

4. Community Involvement - concentration is placed on parent programs, community outreach, and fostering school, family and collaboration/involvement. The students of Passaic ASCS are afforded the benefits of partnerships currently established with local universities, businesses, and community leaders. Passaic ASCS recognizes a school as an anchor in a community and believes the school is the anchor that the community needs. All children deserve the opportunity to be educated in a rich, nurturing environment that promotes inquiry-based learning and innovation in an equitable, culturallysensitive environment.

CURRICULUM ALIGNMENT TO STANDARDS

In order to ensure that Passaic Arts and Science Charter School's curricula is aligned to state standards Passaic Arts and Science Charter School developed a high quality curriculum that is based on state standards. The curricula framework is well thought out and embodies the state standards and goals for which teachers and students are held accountable.

The standards-based curriculum governs the way that instructional programs are run and the way that teachers teach. The curricula framework considers the need for proper implementation of the state standards and therefore provides adequate time for implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of the standards.

At Passaic Arts and Science Charter School, the curricula is considered a living document which allows for ongoing critiquing and opportunities for reflection and revision so that the curriculum is updated and improved on a regular basis.

Specifically, NJ Student Learning Standards for English Language Arts (ELA) and Literacy in History/Social Studies in grades kindergarten – 10th were adopted in August 2012. Most recently, kindergarten through 8th grade ELA and Literacy in History/Social Studies was revised during the summer of 2016.

NJ Student Learning Standards for Mathematics was adopted in August, 2012 and most recently revised during the summer of 2016.

Science curricula for grades kindergarten to 12 were revised most recently during the summer of 2016.

Visual and Performing Arts was revised in June, 2009, Comprehensive Health and Physical Education was revised in June, 2011, Technology was adopted in 2007, 21st Century Life and Careers was revised in September, 2012, and World Languages was revised in June, 2009.

SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT OF FAMILIES / GUARDIANS

Passaic ASCS believes that family involvement is an integral component of our school culture. Our objective is to continue fostering close and positive relationships and constant communication between school, family and community. Our Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) is a committee that maintains a strong presence at the school, and they are a vital component of enriching the experience of students. They make the purchase of sports equipment, musical instruments, yearbooks and classroom materials a reality for our Charter School. Additionally, the PTO organizes fundraisers to defray the cost of field trips for the students.

In the 2016-2017 Academic Year, Passaic ASCS campuses reached out to both families and the community-at-large with myriad programs and activities to enhance the experience of the students and school community as a whole. Parents are not only invited to attend, but asked to contribute to the planning and implementation programs and offerings. We look for continue to grow in terms of these opportunities, with expanded programs, meetings, and events to foster not only individual and whole student growth, but a continued support of our parent organization. With the 2015-2016 year seeing expansion to a third school, and the long-awaited debut of a high school grade (9th), these programs and activities are needed more than ever to ensure alignment with the Charter School's mission and vision.

Passaic ASCS cultivates and maintains steady school/family interaction through an array of activities. A selection of programs and events is provided below:

- ORIENTATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS
- BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT
- HISPANIC HERITAGE CELEBRATION
- WEEKLY PARENT/TEACHER/ADMINISTRATOR BREAKFAST
- GRANDPARENT'S NIGHT
- ANNUAL PTO PARENT PICNIC
- HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARADE/CONTEST
- PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES
- STUDENT/TEACHER SPORTING EVENTS
- OPERATION GOODY BAG- A 9/11 Reflection and Action Event
- VETERAN'S DAY REMEMBRANCE
- QUARTERLY AWARDS CEREMONIES
- HOLIDAY DINNER/COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE
- HOLIDAY CAROLING
- BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATIONS
- PARCC SOCIAL and PI DAY
- SPRING AND WINTER CONCERTS/THEATRE PROGRAM/ART FAIR
- ANNUAL MUFFINS WITH MOMS/DONUTS WITH DADS
- QUALITY IN EDUCATION SUMMIT
- SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK
- READ ACROSS AMERICA CELEBRATION
- DISTRICT SCIENCE FAIR/ SCIENCE FAIR FUN NIGHT
- GARDEN STATE INTERNATIONAL HERITAGE FESTIVAL
- FEAST OF GIVING
- MATH CONTEST
- SCIENCE OLYMPIAD
- MAKE THINGS HAPPEN FESTIVAL

PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS

iLearn Schools have partnered with the organizations and institutions of higher learning listed below in order to improve teaching and learning across school campuses.

Rutgers University

iLearn Schools have partnered with Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey for the School System Improvement (SSI) Project. Funded through the U.S. Department of Education Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) Grant Program, teachers and administrators participate in the school-wide development and implementation of the educator and principal evaluation systems, professional development, and coaching via master mentor teachers. The program is anticipated to span 3-5 years.

Grand Canyon University

Students of Grand Canyon University may participate in Student Teaching Internships, practicum, and observations at Bergen, Passaic, and Paterson Arts and Science Charter schools. A stipend per sixteen (16) week session of full-time student teaching for Special Education/General Education Credential candidates is paid by Grand Canyon University to cooperating teachers. Additionally, site supervisors located on the school campus are compensated for their participation in the program.

Fairleigh Dickinson University

FDU's Middle College program gives college-bound juniors and seniors the opportunity to experience university-style learning before they graduate high school. Qualifying students are high school juniors and seniors in advanced and honors sections in subjects such as literature, science, art, mathematics and other courses. Founded in 1984, the Middle College program is now affiliated with more than 100 high schools throughout New Jersey, including iLearn Schools. The university's Faculty Advisory Committee reviews submitted curricula and high school staff members for inclusion in the program.

New Jersey's Science and Technology University

ILearn Schools and NJIT share the common goals of raising student interest, participation, and performance in science, mathematics, and technology so that all students can meet challenging national and state standards. The goals of the partnership are to work collaboratively to create and implement a coherent approach for improving teaching and learning in science, mathematics, and technology, to build capacity to sustain and continuously improve science, mathematics, and technology teaching and learning at scale, and to provide professional development for teachers of science, mathematics, and technology.

Jefferson Awards Foundation

Launched in 2006 by the Jefferson Awards Foundation and Deloitte, Students in Action develops high school students into community leaders. Currently active in 300 high schools in communities across the U.S., the no-cost high school leadership training and public service program encourages students to positively impact their schools, communities and world. At Bergen ASCS High, Students in Action trains students to choose their own service passion, create a service project, and engage the entire school community and the broader community to generate maximum impact.

College of Saint Elizabeth

The partnership between iLearn Schools and the College of Saint Elizabeth was established for the purpose of providing eligible iLearn Schools employees the opportunity to pursue undergraduate and graduate degrees, certificates, and professional continuing education courses through the College on campus, at agreed upon off-sites, and/or through blended on-line and fully online learning formats at a reduced tuition rate. Additionally, college faculty members spends 1-2 days per week supervising student teachers and working with other novice teachers in areas identified by iLearn Schools, and collaborating with school administration on projects deemed appropriate.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:	
	The panel discussions serve as a platform to raise awareness of, and highlight, the positive role of charter schools in New Jersey and the need for further support and development. These forums will continue to address macro issues confronting public education in the 21st Century.
Quality In Education Summit Panel Discussion	Panelists were: 1)Heather Tedesco, New Jersey Regional Director for Jefferson Awards Students in Action 2)Assemblyman Benjie Wimberly, Legislative District #35 3) Allison Scott-Williams, NJPAC Arts Director.
	Approximately 200 parents and community members attended this event which took place at our Paterson Arts and Science Charter School.
	This year's topic was ATHLETICS, ARTS, AND MUSIC: THREE ELEMENTS NECESSARY FOR A COMPLETE PUBLIC EDUCATION
	Community leaders (VIP Guest) were invited to give inspirational speeches to students regarding leadership and core values. (VIP Invitations were extended to but not limited to: Mayors, Freeholders,
	Assemblymen and women, Prosecutors, Police chiefs, Senators, CEOs, NJ DOE Staff, NJ Charter School Assn. Staff
VIP Visitor Program	VIP guests were scheduled monthly. Fifth through ninth grade students, family members attended VIP Ceremonies. In most cases, VIP guests made connections with students that would afford them (students) opportunities to visit establishments and facilities that would enhance their knowledge of government/judicial systems and servant leadership.
Community Outreach Activities	Determined by grade and/or department Teachers planned outreach activities and/or projects for the classes

PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS (CONTINUED)

Garden State International Heritage	The Garden State International Heritage Festival is the blending of the multidisciplinary content areas to recognize and celebrate diversity in the classroom throughout the year. Students, families, elected officials and community members.
	The GSIHF has been a project of the NJASCS organization for the last 4 years. The festival enables students, participants and visitors to experience a wide range of activities: performances, art displays, to sampling from a wide array of food from other vendors.

4. INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS: Management of the Board of Trustees is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure designed to ensure that the assets of the Charter School are protected from loss, theft or misuse and to ensure that adequate accounting data are compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The internal control structure is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived; and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

As a recipient of federal and state financial assistance, the Charter School is also responsible for ensuring that an adequate internal control structure is in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to those programs. This internal control structure is also subject to periodic evaluation by the School's management.

As part of the Charter School's single audit described earlier, tests are made to determine the adequacy of the internal control structure, including that portion related to federal and state financial assistance programs, as well as to determine that the Charter School has complied with applicable laws and regulations.

5. BUDGETARY CONTROLS: In addition to internal accounting controls, the Charter School maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general fund and the special revenue fund. The final budget amount as amended for the fiscal year is reflected in the financial section.

An encumbrance accounting system is used to record outstanding purchase commitments on a line item basis. Open encumbrances at year-end are either canceled or are included as re-appropriations of fund balance in subsequent year. Those amounts to be reappropriated are reported as reservations of fund balance at June 30, 2017.

- 6. <u>CASH MANAGEMENT</u>: The investment policy of the Charter School is guided in large part by state statute as detailed in "Notes to the Financial Statement" Note 3. The Charter School had adopted a cash management plan which requires it to deposit funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect Government Units from a loss of funds on deposits with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. The law requires governmental units to deposit public funds only in public depositories located in New Jersey, where the funds are secured in accordance with the Act.
- 7. RISK MANAGEMENT: The Charter School carries various forms of insurance, including but not limited to general liability, automobile liability and comprehensive collision, hazard and theft insurance on property and contents, and fidelity bonds.

8. OTHER INFORMATION:

<u>Independent Audit</u> - State statutes require an annual audit by independent certified public accountants or registered municipal accountants. The accounting firm of Barre & Company LLC, CPA's, was appointed by the Board. In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in State statutes, the audit also was designed to meet the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance") and New Jersey's OMB Circular 15-08, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants, and State Aid.* The auditor's report on the basic financial statements and specific required supplemental information is included in the financial section of this report. The auditors' reports, related specifically to the single audit, are included in the single audit section of this report.

- **9. ANTI-BULLYING:** On January 5, 2011, Governor Chris Christie signed into law P.L. 2010, Chapter 122, known as the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights. The Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act ("Act") requires initial and on-going training for all staff members, Anti-Bullying Specialists, Anti-Bullying Coordinators, administrative staff and Board members. N.J.S.A. 18A:37-22(d) requires every teacher to complete at least two hours of instruction on harassment, intimidation, and bullying prevention in each professional development period. In 2016-2017, training was provided for harassment, intimidation and bullying prevention to comply with the training requirements of the Act.
- **10. -ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**: We would like to express our appreciation to the members of the Passaic Arts and Science Charter School Board of Trustees for their concern in providing fiscal accountability to the citizens and taxpayers of the Charter School and thereby contributing their full support to the development and maintenance of our financial operation. The preparation of this report could not have been accomplished without the efficient and dedicated services of our staff.

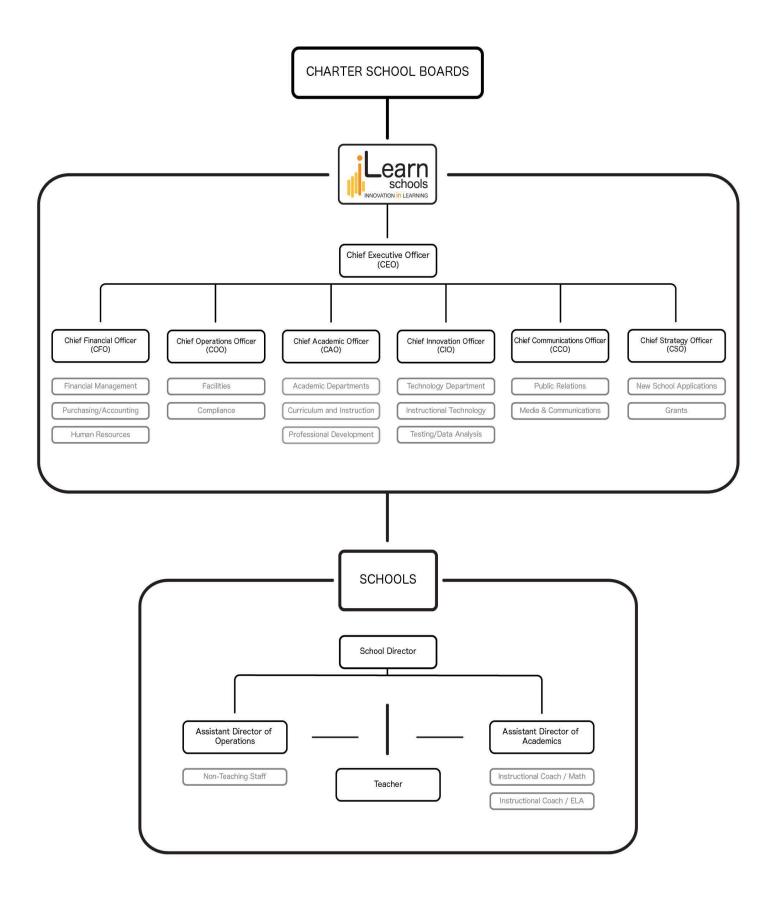
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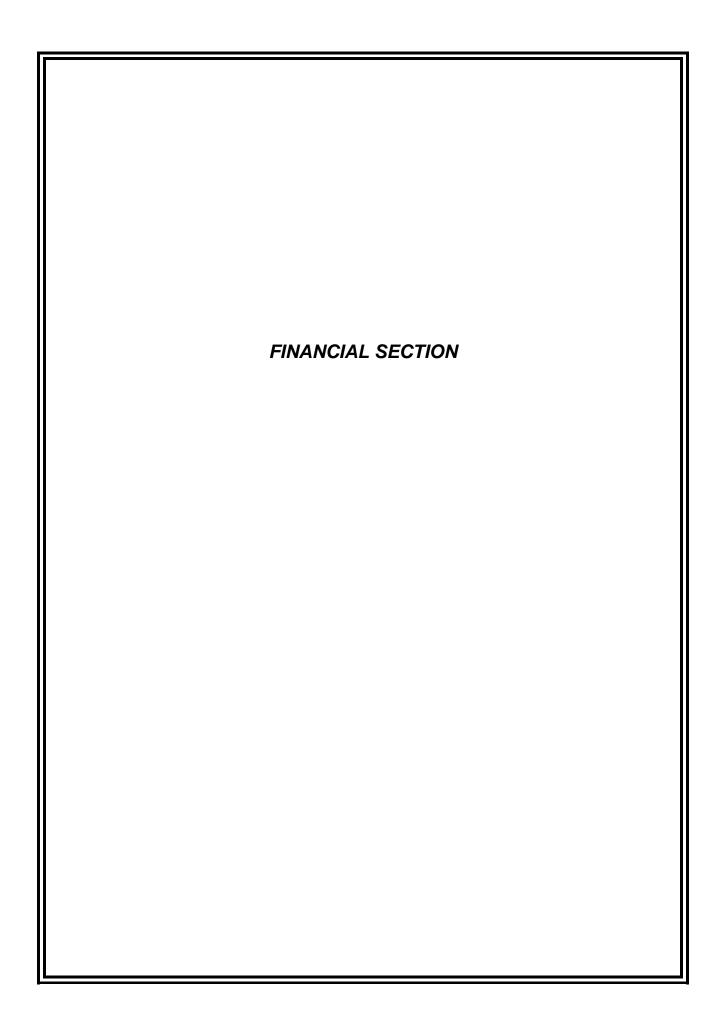
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Independent Auditor's Report

Honorable President
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Passaic Arts and Science Charter School
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Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Passaic Arts and Science Charter School (Charter School), in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Charter School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Charter School's 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 audit contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey. 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 entity'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 entity'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 opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Passaic Arts and Science Charter School, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in the financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then 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, Budgetary Comparison Information and District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability for TPAF and PERS and District's PERS Contributions and the related notes starting on pages 19, 71 and 79, respectively, 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 historical 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 the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's response 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.

Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Charter School's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information such as the combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and the schedules of expenditures of federal and state awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards;* and New Jersey's OMB Circular 15-08, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid,* and other information, such as the introductory and statistical sections are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records use to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in

the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards and the Division of Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and the Division of Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, we have also issued our report dated November 28, 2017 on our consideration of the Passaic Arts and Science Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and 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 controls 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 and the Division of Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey* in considering the Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and compliances.

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Public School Accountants

Richard M. Barre

Public School Accountant PSA Number CS-01181

Union, New Jersey November 28, 2017 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART I

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 UNAUDITED

The discussion and analysis of Passaic Arts and Science Charter School's financial performance provides an overall review of the Charter School's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Charter School's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the Charter School's financial performance. Certain comparative information between the current year (2016-2017) and the prior year (2015-2016) is required to be presented in the MD&A.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2017 are as follows:

- General revenues accounted for \$12,633,465 in revenue or 100% percent of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and operating grants and contributions accounted for \$0 or 0% of total revenues of \$12,633,465.
- ❖ The Charter School had \$12,492,788 in expenses; only \$0 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues of \$12,633,465 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among governmental funds, the General Fund had \$11,820,879 in revenues and \$11,066,497 in expenditures. The General Fund's fund balance increased \$754,382 over 2016. This increase was anticipated by the Board of Trustees.

Using this Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand Passaic Arts and Science Charter School as a financial whole, an entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole Charter School, presenting both an aggregate view of the Charter School's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.

The fund financial statements also look at the Charter School's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column. In the case of Passaic Arts and Science Charter School, the General Fund is by far the most significant fund.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 UNAUDITED (CONTINUED)

Reporting the Charter School as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the Charter School to provide programs and activities, the view of the Charter School as a whole looks at all financial transactions and ask the question, "How did we do financially during 2017?" The *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities* answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector businesses. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Charter School's net position and changes in that position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the Charter School as a whole, the financial position of the Charter School have improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial and some not. Non-financial factors include current laws in New Jersey restricting revenue growth, facility condition, required educational programs and other factors.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the Charter School is divided into two distinct kinds of activities:

- Governmental Activities All of the Charter School's programs and services are reported here including instruction, administration, support services, and capital outlay.
- Business-Type Activities These services are provided on a charge for goods or services basis to recover all the expenses of the goods or services provided. The Food Service enterprise fund is reported as a business activity.

Reporting the Charter School's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the Charter School's funds. The Charter School uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transaction. The Charter School's governmental funds are the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 UNAUDITED (CONTINUED)

Governmental Funds

The Charter School's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in the future years. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Charter School's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps the reader determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities*) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

Enterprise Fund

The enterprise fund uses the same basis of accounting as business-type activities; therefore, these statements are essentially the same.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the Charter School-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found starting on page 39 of this report.

The Charter School as a Whole

Recall that the *Statement of Net Position* provides the perspective of the Charter School as a whole. Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position.

The Charter School's financial position is the product of several financial transactions including the net results of activities.

The Charter School's combined net position were \$818,034 for 2017 and \$655,119 for 2016.

Governmental Activities

The Charter School's total revenues were \$12,633,465 for 2017 and \$10,667,794 for 2016, this includes \$574,957 for 2017 and \$596,349 for 2016 of state reimbursed TPAF social security and pension contributions.

The total cost of all program and services was \$12,492,788 for 2017 and \$12,232,249 for 2016. Instruction comprises 43% for 2017 and 47% for 2016 of Charter School expenses.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 UNAUDITED (CONTINUED)

Governmental Activities (Continued)

The *Statement of Activities* shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Instruction expenses include activities directly dealing with the teaching of pupils and the interaction between teacher and student, including extracurricular activities.

Administration includes expenses associated with administrative and financial supervision of the Charter School.

Support services include the activities involved with assisting staff with the content and process of teaching to students, including curriculum and staff development and the costs associated with operating the facility.

Capital Outlay represents instructional and/or non-instructional equipment purchased and is capitalized when such equipment is over the \$2,000 threshold.

Business-Type Activities

Revenues for the Charter School's business-type activities (food service program, school store and aftercare program) were comprised of charges for services and federal and state reimbursements.

- ❖ Proprietary Fund operating revenues exceeded operating expenses by \$22,238 for 2017 and operating expenses exceeded operating revenues by \$72,998 for 2016.
- ❖ Charges for services represent \$28,115 for 2017 and \$92,346 for 2016. This represents amounts paid by patrons.
- ❖ Federal and state reimbursements for meals, including payments for free and reduced lunches were \$520,515 for 2017 and \$418,776 for 2016.

The Charter School's Funds

All governmental funds (i.e., general fund and special revenue fund presented in the fund-based statements) are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Total revenues amounted to \$12,708,511 for 2017 and \$10,667,794 for 2016 and expenditures were \$11,954,129 for 2017 and \$12,232,249 for 2016. The net change in fund balance for fiscal years 2017 and 2016 was most significant in the general fund, an increase of \$140,677 in 2017 and a decrease of \$1,564,455 in 2016.

As demonstrated by the various statements and schedules included in the financial section of this report, the Charter School continues to meet its responsibility for sound financial management. The following schedules present a summary of the revenues of the governmental funds for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 UNAUDITED (CONTINUED)

The Charter School's Funds (Continued)

Revenues	Amount	Percent of Total	,	Increase/ Decrease) From 2016	Percent of Increase/ (Decrease)
Local Sources Intermediate Sources State Sources Federal Sources	\$ 1,491,421 367,994 10,329,458 519,638	11.74% 2.89% 81.28% 4.09%	\$	109,689 367,994 1,698,787 (135,753)	7.94% 0.00% 19.68% -20.71%
Total	\$ 12,708,511	100.00%	\$	2,040,717	

The following schedule represents a summary of general fund and special revenue fund expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

Expenditures	Amount	Percent of Total	(1	Increase/ Decrease) rom 2016	Percent of Increase/ (Decrease)
Instruction Administration Support Services Capital Outlay	\$ 4,363,653 4,157,176 3,377,995 55,305	36.50% 34.78% 28.26% 0.46%	\$	(504,897) 161,754 482,485 (120,694)	-10.37% 4.05% 16.66% -68.58%
Total	\$ 11,954,129	100.00%	\$	18,648	

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The Charter School's budget is prepared according to New Jersey law, and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

➤ Over the course of the year, the Charter School revised the annual operating budget several times. Revisions in the budget were made to recognize revenues that were not anticipated and to prevent over-expenditures in specific line item accounts.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 UNAUDITED (CONTINUED)

Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)

The Charter School had \$12,894 invested in machinery and equipment at the end of the fiscal year 2017 and \$31,651 for 2016.

For the Future

The Passaic Arts and Science Charter School is in good financial condition presently. The Charter School is proud of its community support. A major concern is the continued enrollment growth of the Charter School with the increased reliance on federal and state funding.

In conclusion, Passaic Arts and Science Charter School has committed itself to **financial stability for many years. In addition, the Charter School's system for financial** planning, budgeting, and internal financial controls are well regarded. The Charter School plans to continue its sound fiscal management to meet the challenge of the future.

Contacting the Charter School's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the Charter School's finances and to show the Charter School's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact Mr. Nihat Guvercin, CEO at iLearn Schools, 465 Mola Boulevard, Elmwood Park, New Jersey 07407.

SECTION A - BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Charter School. These statements include the financial activities of the overall Charter School, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activities of the Charter School.

PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL

Statement of Net Position June 30, 2017

ACCETC.	vernmental Activities	ness-Type Activities	Total
ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents Internal Balances Receivables Prepaid Expenses	\$ 1,199,896 248,887 495,685 164,600	\$ 168,040 41,311	\$ 1,367,936 248,887 536,996 164,600
Capital Assets, Net	 12,894	 18,656	 31,550
Total Assets	 2,121,962	 235,219	 2,357,181
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES: Pensions	990,946	 	 990,946
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	 990,946		 990,946
LIABILITIES:			
Interfund Payable Payable to District Accounts Payable	185,670 103,637 56,074	53,210	238,880 103,637 56,074
Noncurrent Liabilities: Pensions	2,131,502		2,131,502
Total Liabilities	2,476,883	53,210	2,530,093
NET POSITION:			
Net Investment in Capital Assets Unassigned	12,894 623,131	182,009	12,894 805,140
Total Net Position	\$ 636,025	\$ 182,009	\$ 818,034

PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL
Statement of Activities
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Net (Expense)

					Program Revenues			œ	Revenue and Changes In Net Position	sebu	
		— й	Indirect	Charges for	Operating Grants and	Capital Grants and	<u> </u>	Governmental	Rusiness-Tvne		
Functions/Programs	Expenses	i «	Allocation	Services	Contributions	Contributions	5	Activities	Activities		Total
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES: Instruction	\$ 4,372,082	↔	066'266	. ↔	. ↔		↔	(5,370,072)	. ↔	↔	(5,370,072)
Administration	3,464,266		218,971					(3,683,237)			(3,683,237)
Support Services	3,128,829		256,374					(3,385,203)			(3,385,203)
Capital Outlay	52,826							(52,826)			(52,826)
Unallocated Depreciation	1,450							(1,450)			(1,450)
Total Governmental Activities	11,019,453	↔	1,473,335					(12,492,788)			(12,492,788)
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES: Food Service	526,392			28,115	520,515				22,238	œ	22,238
Total Business-Type Activities	526,392			28,115	520,515	•		1	22,238	8	22,238
Total Primary Government	\$ 11,545,845			\$ 28,115	\$ 520,515	- چ	↔	(12,492,788)	\$ 22,238	& &	(12,470,550)
				GENERAL REVENUES	IUES						
				General Purposes			↔	1,381,940	•	↔	1,381,940
				Federal and State	Federal and State Aid Not Restricted			10,849,096 29,583			10,849,096 29 583
				Miscellaneous Income	ome			372.846			372.846
				Total General Revenues	Revenues			12,633,465			12,633,465
				Change in Net Position	sition			140,677	22,238	80	162,915
				Net Position - Beginning	ginning			495,348	159,771	-l	655,119

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

182,009

636,025

Net Position - Ending

The Individual Fund statements and schedules present more detailed information for the individual fund in a format that segregates information by fund type.



Governmental Funds Balance Sheet June 30, 2017

	General Fund		Special Revenue Fund	Total
ASSETS:		i diid	 T dild	 Total
Current Assets:				
Cash and Cash Equivalents Cash - Restricted Receivables:	\$	1,124,896 75,000	\$ -	\$ 1,124,896 75,000
Interfund Receivables Receivables From Other Governments Other Receivables Receivables, Net Security Deposits		248,887 77,749 108,591 77,327 164,600	143,456 88,562	248,887 221,205 197,153 77,327 164,600
Total Current Assets		1,877,050	 232,018	2,109,068
Total Assets	\$	1,877,050	\$ 232,018	\$ 2,109,068
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES: Liabilities: Current Liabilities:		.,,		
Interfund Payables Payable to District Accounts Payable	\$	- 103,637 9,726	\$ 185,670 46,348	\$ 185,670 103,637 56,074
Total Current Liabilities		113,363	 232,018	345,381
Total Liabilities		113,363	 232,018	 345,381
Fund Balances: Unassigned:				
General Fund		1,763,687		 1,763,687
Total Fund Balances		1,763,687	 -	1,763,687
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	1,877,050	\$ 232,018	
Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in the statement of new which are different:	et pos	sition (A-1)		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds. The cost of the assets is \$157,241 and the accumulated depreciation is \$144,347.				12,894
Net pension liability of \$2,131,502, deferred inflows of resource of \$ less deferred outlows of resources of \$990,946 related to pensions are not reported in the governmental funds.	ces			(4.440.550)
in the governmental funds				 (1,140,556)
Net Position of Governmental Activities				\$ 636,025

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

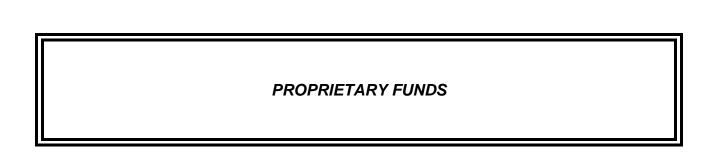
Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

DEVENUE O	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Total
REVENUES: Local Sources: Local Tax Levy Tuition Miscellaneous	\$ 1,381,940 29,583 79,898	\$ -	\$ 1,381,940 29,583 79,898
Total Local Sources	1,491,421		1,491,421
Intermediate Sources State Sources Federal Sources	10,329,458	367,994 519,638	367,994 10,329,458 519,638
Total Revenues	11,820,879	887,632	12,708,511
EXPENDITURES: Current:			
Instruction Administration Support Services	3,945,208 4,157,176 2,913,286	418,445 464,709	4,363,653 4,157,176 3,377,995
Capital Outlay	50,827	4,478	55,305
Total Expenditures	11,066,497	887,632	11,954,129
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	754,382		754,382
FUND BALANCES, JULY 1	1,009,305		1,009,305
FUND BALANCES, JUNE 30	\$ 1,763,687	\$ -	\$ 1,763,687

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
And Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
To the Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

otal net change in fund balances - governmental fund (from B-2)		\$ 754,382
mounts reported for governmental activities in the statement activities (A-2) which are different:		
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, on the statement of activities, the cost of those assets which are capitalized are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current fiscal year.		
Depreciation Expense Capital Outlay	\$ (20,441) 2,479	(17,962)
ension costs associated with the PERS pension plan are reported in the governmental funds expenditures in the year the school pension contribution is paid. However, on the statement activities, the net difference between the current and prior year net pension liability is		
cognized.		 (595,743)
hange in net position of governmental activities		\$ 140,677



Proprietary Fund Statement of Fund Net Position June 30, 2017

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Fund							
	Food		School		l After			
		Service	Store			Care		Total
ASSETS:								
Current Assets:								
Cash and Cash Equivalents Intergovernmental Accounts Receivable:	\$	154,449	\$	-	\$	14,329	\$	168,778
Federal		40,725						40,725
State		586						586
Inventories		7,212						7,212
Total Current Assets		202,972		-		14,329		217,301
Noncurrent Assets:								
Machinery and Equipment		33,137						33,137
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(14,481)						(14,481)
Total Noncurrent Assets		18,656						18,656
Total Assets	\$	221,628	\$		\$	14,329	\$	235,957
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION Liabilities:								
Cash Overdraft	\$		\$	738	\$		\$	738
Interfund Accounts Payable	Ψ	53,210	Ψ	730	Ψ		Ψ	53,210
Total Liabilities		53,210		738				53,948
Net Position:								
Unassigned		168,418		(738)		14,329		182,009
Total Net Position		168,418		(738)		14,329		182,009
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$	221,628	\$	-	\$	14,329	\$	235,957

Proprietary Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

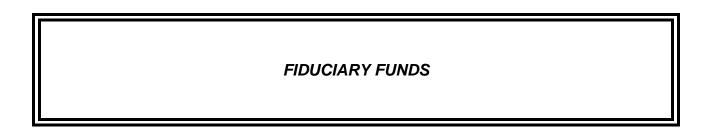
	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Fund							
			School	chool After				
		Service		Store		Care		Total
OPERATING REVENUES:								
Charges for Services:	\$	27,990	\$		\$		æ	27,990
Daily Sales Reimbursable Programs Daily Sales Non-Reimbursable Programs	Ф	27,990 125	Ф	-	Ф	-	\$	27,990 125
Daily Sales Non-Reimbursable Flograms	-	123						125
Total Operating Revenues		28,115		-		-		28,115
OPERATING EXPENSES:								
Salaries		184,125						184,125
Management Fees		8,403						8,403
Supplies and Materials		28,378						28,378
Depreciation Expense		6,107						6,107
Cost of Sales - Reimbursable Programs		217,980						217,980
Cost of Sales - Non-Reimbursable Programs		5,911						5,911
Miscellaneous Expenses		75,488						75,488
Total Operating Expenses		526,392				-		526,392
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)		(498,277)				-		(498,277)
NONOPERATING REVENUES:								
State Source:								
State School Breakfast/Lunch Program		6,648						6,648
Federal Source:								,
National School Breakfast/Lunch/Snack Program/FFVP		478,725						478,725
U.S.D.A. Commodities		35,142						35,142
Total Nonoperating Revenues		520,515				-		520,515
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		22,238		-		_		22,238
TOTAL NET POSITION IIII V 1		146,180		(738)		14,329		
TOTAL NET POSITION, JULY 1		140,100		(138)		14,329		159,771
TOTAL NET POSITION, JUNE 30	\$	168,418	\$	(738)	\$	14,329	\$	182,009

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

Proprietary Fund Statement of Cash Flows For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Fu				
	Food	School	After		
	Service	Store	Care	Total	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Cash Received from Customers Cash Payments to Suppliers and Employees	\$ 19,028 (494,568)	\$ -	\$ - -	\$ 19,028 (494,568)	
Net Cash Used In Operating Activities	(475,540)			(475,540)	
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Cash Received From State And Federal Reimbursements Food Distribution Program Commodities	485,373 35,142			485,373 35,142.00	
Net Cash Provided By Noncapital Financing Activities	520,515			520,515	
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Acquisition And Construction Of Capital Assets	(6,250)	· ·		(6,250)	
Net Cash Used For Capital And Related Financing Activities	(6,250)			(6,250)	
Net Increase In Cash And Cash Equivalents	38,725	-	-	38,725	
Cash And Cash Equivalents, Beginning Of Year	113,854	(738)	14,329	127,445	
Cash And Cash Equivalents, End Of Year	\$ 152,579	\$ (738)	\$ 14,329	\$ 166,170	
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities: Operating Profit (Loss) Used for Operating Activities Depreciation Change In Assets And Liabilities: Decrease In Receivables (Increase) Decrease In Inventories (Decrease) In Interfund Payable	\$ (498,277) 6,107 (9,087) (7,212) 32,929		\$ -	\$ (498,277) 6,107 (9,087) (7,212) 32,929	
Net Cash Used In Operating Activities	\$ (475,540)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (475,540)	
Net Oddit Oded itt Operating Activities	φ (475,540)	Ψ -	Ψ -	ψ (473,340)	

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.



Fiduciary Funds Statement of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2017

		Agency Funds
ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents Other Accounts Receivable	\$	21,813 740
Total Assets		22,553
LIABILITIES: Interfund Accounts Payable Due to Student Groups	\$	10,007 12,546
Total Liabilities	_ \$	22,553

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE I: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of Passaic Arts and Science Charter School have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles generally (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body responsible for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. In its accounting and financial reporting, the Charter School follows the pronouncements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The more significant accounting policies of the Charter School are described below.

For the fiscal year 2017, the Charter School implemented the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions" and GASB Statement No. 71, "Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68." GASB 68 established standards for measuring and recognizing pension liabilities, deferred outflows of resources and expense/expenditure.

B. Reporting Entity

The Charter School is a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey, established in 2002 to operate and maintained a public school under a charter granted by the State of New Jersey. The Charter School consists of seven members and must comply with the Charter School Program Act of 1995 and regulations promulgated thereunder.

The primary criterion for including activities within the Charter School's reporting entity are set forth in Statement No. 14 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board entitled "The Financial Reporting Entity" (GASB 14) as codified in Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards. Under GASB Statement No. 14, the financial reporting entity is determined by the degree of oversight responsibility maintained by the Charter School. Oversight responsibility includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters. The combined financial statements include all funds and account groups of the Charter School over which it exercises operating control. The operations of the Passaic Arts and Science Charter School includes three schools an elementary, middle and high school. There are no additional entities required to be included in the reporting entity under the criteria as described above, in the current fiscal year. Furthermore, the Charter School is not includable in any other reporting entity on the basis of such criteria.

NOTE I: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. <u>Basic Financial Statements – Government-Wide Statements</u>

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Charter School. These statements include the financial activities of the Charter School, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activities of the Charter School. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each segment of the business-type activities of the Charter School and for each function of the Charter School's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expenses are allocated to the functions using an appropriate allocation method or association with the specific function. Indirect expenses include health benefits, employer's share of payroll taxes, compensated absences and tuition reimbursements.

Program revenues include (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) 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, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each government function or business segment is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the Charter School.

D. Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements

The financial transactions of the Charter School are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The following fund types are used by the Charter School:

Governmental Fund Types

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the Charter School.

NOTE I: <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

<u>General Fund</u> – The general fund is the general operating fund of the Charter School. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Included are certain expenditures for vehicles and movable instructional or non-instructional equipment which are classified in the Capital Outlay subfund.

As required by the New Jersey State Department of Education, the Charter School includes budgeted Capital Outlay in this fund. Generally accepted accounting principles as they pertain to governmental entities state that General Fund resources may be used to directly finance capital outlays for long-lived improvements as long as the resources in such cases are derived exclusively from unrestricted revenues.

Resources for budgeted capital outlay purposes are normally derived from State of New Jersey Aid, charter school taxes and appropriated fund balance. Expenditures are those that result in the acquisition of or additions to fixed assets for land, existing buildings, improvements of grounds, construction of buildings, additions to or remodeling of buildings and the purchase of built-in equipment. These resources can be transferred from and to Current Expense by board resolution.

<u>Special Revenue Fund</u> – The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue from State and Federal Government, (other than major capital projects, Debt Service or the Enterprise Funds) and local appropriations that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

<u>Capital Projects Fund</u> – The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by Proprietary Funds). The financial resources are derived from temporary notes or serial bonds that are specifically authorized by the voters as a separate question on the ballot either during the annual election or at a special election.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> – The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued to finance major property acquisition, construction and improvement programs.

<u>Proprietary Fund Type</u> - The focus of Proprietary Fund measurement is upon determination of net income, changes in net position, financial position and cash flows. The generally accepted accounted principles applicable are those similar to businesses in the private sector. The following is a description of the Proprietary Funds of the Charter School:

NOTE I: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

<u>Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements (Continued)</u>

<u>Enterprise Funds</u> – The Enterprise Funds are utilized to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises – where the intent of the Charter School is that the costs (i.e. expenses including depreciation and indirect costs) of providing goods or services to the students on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or, where the Charter School has decided that the periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

Governments should establish a policy that defines operating revenues and expenses that is appropriate to the nature of the activity being reported, and use it consistently from period to period. Transactions for which cash flows are reported as capital and related financing activities, non-capital financing activities, or investing activities normally would not be reported as components of operating income.

The Charter School's Enterprise Fund are comprised of the Food Service Fund operations.

Depreciation of all exhaustive fixed assets used by proprietary funds is charged as an expense against their operations. Accumulated depreciation is reported on proprietary fund balance sheets. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Food Service Fund:

Equipment 12 Years Light Trucks and Vehicle 4 Years Heavy Trucks and Vehicle 6 Years

In its accounting and financial reporting, the Charter School follows the pronouncements of the GASB and the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) and its predecessor organizations issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless they conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The Charter School's business-type activities and enterprise funds have elected not to apply the standards issued by the FASB after November 30, 1989.

As a general rule the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements; however, interfund services provided and used are not eliminated in the process of consolidation.

Amounts reported as program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, (2) operating grants and contributions, and (3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

NOTE I: <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenue and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Charter School enterprise funds are charges for daily sales of food, special functions and miscellaneous receipts. Operating expenses for proprietary funds include the cost of sales, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

<u>Fiduciary Fund Types</u> - Fiduciary Funds are sued to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore are not available to support Charter School programs. The reporting focus is on net position and changes in net position and are reported using accounting principles similar to proprietary funds.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds in either the governmental or business-type activities categories. Nonmajor funds by category are summarized into a single column. GASBS No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expense of either fund category or the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds. The nonmajor funds are combined in a column in the fund financial statements.

The Charter School's fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements by type (Unemployment Compensation and Agency). Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party (other local governments, private parties, pension participants, etc.) and cannot be sued to address activities or obligations of the government, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

<u>Trust Funds</u> – The unemployment compensation fund is used to account for contributions from the Charter School and employees and interest earned on the balance as well as payments to the State for reimbursement of unemployment claims. Although there is no formal trust agreement, the State of New Jersey requires charter schools to include the unemployment compensation trust as a private-purpose trust fund in the fiduciary fund. The principal and income deposited into this fund are for the sole benefit of the specific individuals or former employees. The management of the Charter School is not involved in determining the amounts current employees contribute to the fund or amounts paid out by the fund. That determination is made by the State of New Jersey. The Unemployment Compensation Fund is recorded as a trust fund because there is no debt issued related to unemployment compensation claims.

NOTE I: <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

<u>Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements (Continued)</u>

Agency Funds (Payroll, Payroll Agency and Student Activity): The agency funds are used to account for the assets that the Charter School holds on behalf of others as their agent. These are custodial in nature and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

In accordance with GASB Statement 34, fiduciary funds are not included in the government-wide financial statements.

E. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide proprietary and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the Charter School gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include state and federal aid, property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations.

Government funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available.

The Charter School considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after year-end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments and compensated absences which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

F. Budgets/Budgetary Control

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the year. For governmental funds there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and generally accepted accounting principles with the exception of legally mandated revenue recognition of the last state aid payment for budgetary purposes only and the special revenue fund as noted below. Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

NOTE I: <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Budgets/Budgetary Control (Continued)

The accounting records of the special revenue fund are maintained on the grant accounting budgetary basis. The grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that the grant accounting budgetary basis recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenues, whereas the GAAP basis does not. Sufficient supplemental records are maintained to allow for the presentation of GAAP basis financial reports.

The following presents a reconciliation of the special revenue funds from the budgetary basis of accounting to the GAAP basis of accounting:

Total Revenues & Expenditures	
(Budgetary Basis)	\$ 887,632
Adjustments:	
Less Encumbrances at June 30, 2017	-
Plus Encumbrances at June 30, 2016	-
Total Revenues and Expenditures	_
(GAAP Basis)	\$ 887,632

The General Fund budgetary revenue differs from GAAP revenue due to a difference in recognition of the June state aid payments for the current year. Since the State is recording the June state aid payments in the subsequent fiscal year, the Charter School cannot recognize these payments on the GAAP financial statements.

The reconciliation of the general and special revenue funds from the budgetary basis of accounting to the GAAP basis of accounting is presented on Note A in the Required Supplementary Information Section.

The Capital Projects Fund budgetary revenue differs from GAAP revenue due to a difference in the recognition of SDA grants receivable. SDA grants are recognized on the budgetary basis in full when they are awarded but are recognized on the GAAP basis as they are expended and requested for reimbursement.

G. <u>Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflow/Inflows of Resources, Net Position and Fund Equity</u> –

1. Deposits and Investments

Deposits are cash and cash equivalents including petty cash, change funds, cash in banks and all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase and are stated at cost plus accrued interest. Other than Certificates of Deposit, deposits with maturities of greater than three months are considered to be Investments. U.S. Treasury and agency obligations and certificates of deposit with maturities of one year or less when purchased are stated at cost. All other investments are stated at fair value.

NOTE I: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

<u>Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflow/Inflows of Resources, Net Position and Fund Equity – (Continued)</u>

Deposits and Investments (Continued)

New Jersey charter schools are limited as to the types of investments and types of financial institutions they may invest in. New Jersey statute 18A:20-37 provides a list of permissible investments that may be purchased by New Jersey charter schools.

Additionally, the Charter School had adopted a cash management plan that requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provision of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect Governmental Units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey.

Short-term Interfund Receivables/Payables

Short-term interfund receivables/payables represents amounts that are owed, other than charges for goods or services rendered to/from a particular fund in the Charter School and that are due within one year.

3. Inventories

Inventories, which benefit future periods, other than those recorded in the enterprise fund are recorded as expenditure during the year of purchase.

4. Capital Assets

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$2,000 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on the following assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	20-50 years
Machinery and Equipment	5-10 years
Land Improvements	10-20 years
Other Infrastructure	10-50 years

Land and Construction in Progress are not depreciated.

GASB No. 34 requires the Charter School to report and depreciate new infrastructure assets include roads, parking lots, underground pipe, etc. Neither their historical cost nor related depreciation has historically been reported in the financial statements. The Charter School has included all infrastructure assets in the current fiscal year.

NOTE I: <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflow/Inflows of Resources, Net Position and Fund Equity (Continued)

Deposits and Investments (Continued)

5. Fund Equity

Reserves represent those portions of fund equity not appropriable for expenditure or legally segregated for a specific future use. Designated fund balances represent plans for future use of financial resources.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reports, amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Net Position/Fund Balance

The Charter School implemented GASB Statement No. 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position, during the current fiscal year. This statement defines net position as the residual of all other elements presented in statement of financial position. It is the difference between (1) assets and deferred outflows of resources and (2) liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. This Statement provides guidance for reporting net position within a framework that includes deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, in addition to assets and liabilities.

In the Government-Wide Statements, there are three classes of net position:

<u>Net Investment in Capital Assets</u> – consists of net capital assets (cost less accumulated depreciation) reduced by outstanding balances of related debt obligations from the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt also should be included.

<u>Restricted Net Position</u> – reports net position when constraints placed on the residual amount of noncapital assets are either imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

<u>Unrestricted Net Position</u> – any portion of net position not already classified as either net investment in capital assets or net position-restricted.

NOTE I: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

H. Fund Balance Reserves

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report the following classifications of fund balance:

<u>Unassigned</u> – Includes amounts that have not been assigned to other funds or restricted, committed, or assigned to a specific purpose within the General Fund. The Charter School reports all amounts that meet the unrestricted General Fund Balance Policy described below as unassigned:

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the Charter School considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the Charter School considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed.

I. Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles

During fiscal year 2017, the District adopted the following GASB statements as required:

- GASB No. 73, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets that Are Not Within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68. The objective of this Statement is to improve the usefulness of information about pensions included in the general purpose external financial reports of state and local governments for making decisions and assessing accountability.
- GASB No. 77, Tax Abatement Disclosures. The requirements of this Statement will improve financial reporting by providing disclosure of information about the nature and magnitude of tax abatements that will make these transactions more transparent to financial statement users. As a result, users will be better equipped to understand (1) how tax abatements affect a government's future ability to raise resources and meet its financial obligations and (2) the impact those abatements have on a government's financial position and economic condition.
- GASB No. 80, Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units- An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 14. The objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by clarifying the financial statement presentation requirements for certain component units. This Statement amends the blending requirements established in paragraph 53 of Statement No. 14. The Financial Reporting Entity, as amended.

NOTE I: <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

I. Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles (Continued)

• GASB No. 82, Pension Issues -An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68, and No. 73. The objective of this Statement is to address certain issues that have been raised with respect to Statements No. 67, Financial Reporting for Pension Plans, No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pension, and No. 73, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That are Not Within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68. Specifically, this Statement addresses issues regarding (1) the presentation of payroll-related measures in required supplementary information, (2) the selection of assumptions and the treatment of deviations from the guidance in an Actuarial Standard of Practice for financial reporting purposes, and (3) the classification of payments made by employers to satisfy employee (plan member) contribution requirements.

Other accounting standards that the District is currently reviewing for applicability and potential impact on the financial statements include:

- GASB No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, will be effective beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for postemployment benefits other than pensions (other postemployment benefits or OPEB). It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for OPEB that is provided by other entities.
- GASB No. 84, Fiduciary Activities, will be effective with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. The objective of this Statement is to improve guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. This Statement established criteria for identifying fiduciary activities of all state and local governments.
- GASB No. 85, Omnibus 2017, will be effective with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. The objective of this Statement is to address practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements. This Statement addresses a variety of topics including issues related to blending component units, goodwill, fair value measurement and application, and post-employment benefits (pensions and other postemployment benefits (OPEB)).

NOTE I: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles (Continued)

- GASB No. 86, Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues, will be effective with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve consistency in accounting and financial reporting for in-substance defeasance of debt by providing guidance for transactions in which cash and other monetary assets acquired with only existing resources resources other than the proceeds of refunding debt are placed in an irrevocable trust for the sole purpose of extinguishing debt. This Statement also improves accounting and financial reporting for prepaid insurance on debt that is extinguished and notes to financial statements for debt that is defeased in substance.
- GASB No. 87, Leases, will be effective with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. This Statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract.

J. Pensions

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 pension of the State of New Jersey Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and the State of New Jersey Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and additions to/deductions from the PERS's and TPAF's net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the PERS and the TPAF. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Pension Plan investments are reported at fair value.

NOTE II: DETAILED DISCLOSURE REGARDING ASSETS AND REVENUES

A. Deposits and Investments

Deposits

New Jersey statutes permit the deposit of public funds in institutions located in New Jersey which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), the Savings Association Insurance Fund or by any other agencies of the United States that insure deposits or the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

NOTE II: <u>DETAILED DISCLOSURE REGARDING ASSETS AND REVENUES</u> (CONTINUED)

Deposits and Investments (Continued)

Deposits (Continued)

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et. Seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act. Public depositories include savings and loan institutions, banks (both state and national banks) and savings banks of which the deposits are federally insured. All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value at least equal to five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds, to secure the deposits of Governmental Units. If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all other public depositories, is available to pay the full amount of their deposits to the Governmental Units.

As of June 30, 2017, cash and cash equivalents of the Charter School consisted of the following:

	General	Sp	ecial	Pr	oprietary	Fidu	ciary	
	Fund	Rev	enue/		Funds	Fur	nds	Total
Operating	_				_			
Account	\$ 1,199,896	\$	-	\$	168,040	\$ 21	,813	\$ 1,389,749

The Charter School had no investments at June 30, 2017.

The carrying amount of the Board's cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2017 was \$1,389,749 and the bank balance was \$1,611,418. All bank balances were covered by federal depository insurance (FDIC) and/or by a collateral pool maintained by the banks as required by GUDPA.

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 40, Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures ("GASB 40"), the Charter School's operating cash accounts are profiled in order to determine exposure, if any, to Custodial Credit Risk (risk that in the event of failure of the counterparty the Charter School would not be able to recover the value of its deposits and investments). Deposits are considered to be exposed to Custodial Credit Risk if they are: uncollaterized (securities not pledged to the depositor), collateralized with securities held by a pledging financial institution, or collateralized with securities held by the financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the government's name.

As of June 30, 2017, none of the cash and cash equivalents for Passaic Arts and Science Charter School were exposed to custodial credit risk.

NOTE II: <u>DETAILED DISCLOSURE REGARDING ASSETS AND REVENUES</u> (CONTINUED)

Deposits and Investments (Continued)

Deposits (Continued)

The Charter School does not have a policy for the management of custodial credit risk, except as noted above, other than depositing all of its funds in banks covered by GUDPA.

Investments

New Jersey statutes (N.J.S.A.18A:20-37) permit the Charter School to purchase the following types of securities:

- a. When authorized by resolution adopted by a majority vote of all its board members, the Charter School may use moneys which may be in hand for the purchase of the following types of securities, which, if suitable for registry, may be registered in the name of the Charter School;
 - (1) Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;
 - (2) Government money market mutual funds;
 - (3) Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest no dependent on any index or other external factor;
 - (4) Bonds or other obligations of the charter school or bonds or other obligations of local unit or units within which the charter school is located;
 - (5) Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of the Treasury for investment by charter schools;
 - (6) Local government investment pools;
 - (7) Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. 1977, c.281 (C.52:18A-90.4) or
 - (8) Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities, if:
 - a. the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) of this subsection a;
 - b. the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
 - c. the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days; and
 - d. the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in Section 1 of P.L. 1970, c.236 (C.17:9-41) and for which a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

NOTE II: <u>DETAILED DISCLOSURE REGARDING ASSETS AND REVENUES</u> (CONTINUED)

Deposits and Investments (Continued)

<u>Investments</u> (Continued)

<u>Credit Risk</u>: The Charter School does not have an investment policy regarding the management of credit risk. GASB 40 requires that disclosures be made as to the credit rating of all debt security investments except for obligations of the U.S. government or investments guaranteed by the U.S. government. The Charter School did not have any investments at June 30, 2017.

<u>Interest Rate Risk</u>: The Charter School does not have a formal policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. The Charter School did not have any investments at June 30, 2017.

<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u>: The Charter School places no limit on the amount they may invest in any one issuer. The Charter School did not have any investments at June 30, 2017.

Receivables

Receivables at June 30, 2017, consisted of accounts, intergovernmental, grants, and miscellaneous.

All receivables are considered collectible in full. A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables follows:

	Gov	ernmental/	Gov	ernmental/	
		Fund	Wide		
	F	inancial	F	inancial	
	St	atements	St	atements	
State Aid	\$	220,783	\$	221,369	
Federal Aid		-		40,725	
Other		274,902		274,902	
Gross Receivables		495,685	'	536,996	
Less: Allowance for Uncollectibles		-			
Total Receivables, Net	\$	495,685	\$	536,996	

NOTE II: <u>DETAILED DISCLOSURE REGARDING ASSETS AND REVENUES</u> (CONTINUED)

Deposits and Investments (Continued)

Receivables (Continued)

A. Interfund Receivables and Payables

Transfers between funds are used to repay expenses paid by another fund.

The following interfund balances remained on the fund financial statements at June 30, 2017:

	I	nterfund	I	nterfund
Fund	_R	Receivable		Payable
General Fund	\$	248,887	\$	-
Special Revenue Fund				185,670
Proprietary Fund				53,210
Fiduciary Fund				10,007
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Total	\$	248,887	\$	248,887

B. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 was as follows:

	Beginning					E	nding	
		Balance	A	dditions	Re	tirements	В	alance
Governmental Activities:								
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:								
Building and Building Improvements	\$	14,500	\$	-	\$	-	\$	14,500
Machinery and Equipment		140,262		2,479				142,741
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated		154,762		2,479		-	•	157,241
Less Accumulated Depreciation For:				<u>'</u>				
Building and Building Improvements		13,050		1,450		-		14,500
Machinery and Equipment		110,856		18,991				129,847
Total Accumulated Depreciation		123,906		20,441		-		144,347
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated,								
Net of Accumulated Depreciation		30,856		(17,962)		-		12,894
Government Activity Capital Assets, Net	\$	30,856	\$	(17,962)	\$	-	\$	12,894
Business-Type Activities:								
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:								
Machinery and Equipment		26,887		6,250	\$	-	\$	33,137
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(8,374)		(6,107)		-		(14,481)
Enterprise Fund Capital Assets, Net	\$	18,513	\$	143	\$	-	\$	18,656
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NOTE II: <u>DETAILED DISCLOSURE REGARDING ASSETS AND REVENUES</u> (CONTINUED)

Capital Assets (Continued)

Depreciation expense of \$20,441 was charged to functions as follows:

\$ 8,429
9,557
1,005
 1,450
\$ 20,441
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On January 11, 2001, the NJ State Department of Education announced that effective July 1, 2001, the capitalization threshold used by charter schools in the State of New Jersey is increased to \$2,000. The previous threshold was \$500. Applying the higher capitalization threshold retroactively (removal of old assets from the General Fixed Assets Account Group) will be permitted by the State regulations in situations where (1) the assets have been fully depreciated, or (2) the assets have exceeded their useful lives. The retirement of machinery and equipment is due to the retroactive application of the higher threshold of equipment capitalization. That is, the Charter School has removed from their records assets with a historical cost greater than \$500 but not greater than \$2,000 that were fully depreciated or had exceeded their useful lives.

Rental Leases

The school leases classroom and office space at 40 Tulip Street, Passaic, New Jersey. The lease is for sixty (60) months commencing July 1, 2015 and expiring on June 30, 2020. Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

Year Ended June 30, Amo		Amount	
2018	\$	\$ 384,000	
2019		384,000	
202038		384,000	
Total future minimum lease payments		1,152,000	

In addition, the school leases classroom and office space at 10 St. Francis Way, Passaic, New Jersey under a lease agreement for four (4) years commencing July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2015. The school exercised its option on the building to extend the lease until June 30, 2020.

NOTE III: <u>DETAILED DISCLOSURES REGARDING LIABILITIES AND EXPENSES/</u> <u>EXPENDITURES</u>

The option calls for an adjustment for the cumulative percentage of the Consumer Price Index. Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	Year Ended June 30, Amount		
2018	\$	\$ 451,733	
2019 465,		465,285	
2020	2020 479,244		
Fotal future minimum lease payments \$ 1,396,2		1,396,262	

In addition, the school leases classroom and office space at 6 Wall Street, Passaic, New Jersey. The lease is for sixty (60) months commencing July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2020. Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

Year Ended June 30,		Amount		
2018	\$ 248,300			
2019		267,400		
2020		286,500		
Total future minimum lease payments		802,200		

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS

Substantially all the Board's employees participate in one of the two contributory, defined benefit public employee systems: the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) or the Public Employee's Retirement System (PERS) of New Jersey; or the Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP).

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Plan Description

The State of New Jersey, Public Employees; Retirement System (PERS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about the PERS, please refer to the Division's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) which can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrpts.shtml.

Benefits Provided

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of PERS. The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Benefits Provided (Continued)

Tier	Descriptions
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008, 2010 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to Tier 3 members upon reaching 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and to tier 5 members upon 65. Early retirement benefits are available to Tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, to Tiers 3 and 4 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit and Tier 5 with 30 more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a members retires prior to the age of which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 50 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

Contributions

The contribution policy for PERS is set by N.J.S.A. 15A and required contributions by active members and contributing members. The local employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for local employers of PERS to contribute 50% of normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers will be credited with the full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability.

The actuaries will determine the unfunded liability of those retirement systems, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability will be paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets. There were no Charter School contributions to PERS for fiscal year 2017.

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

<u>Pension Liabilities Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources</u> and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2017, the Charter School reported a liability of 3,069,476 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2016. The Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Charter School's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2016, the Charter School's proportion was 0.009495170%. There was no proportion measured as of June 30, 2015.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, the Charter School recognized pension expense of \$81,633. At June 30, 2016, the Charter School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred related to pensions from the following sources.

	Outflows of Resources	Inflows of Resources
Changes in Assumptions	\$ 635,832	\$ -
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	57,083	
Changes in Proportion	1,086,174	
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual		
Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	117,042	
	\$ 1,896,131	\$ -

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows resources (excluding employer specific amounts including changes in proportion) related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending			
June 30,	Total		
2017 2018	\$	48,779 48,779	
2019		48,779	
2020 2021		77,688 43,917	
	\$	267,942	

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2016 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2015 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2016. The total pension liability for the June 30, 2015 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuations as of July 1, 2015. This actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement.

Inflation Rate 3.08%

Salary Increases:

Through 2026 1.65-4.15% based on age Thereafter 2.65-5.15% based on age

Investment Rate of Return 7.65%

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Male and Female Tables (setback 1 year for females) with adjustments for mortality improvements from the base year of 2012 based on Projection Scale AA. The RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Tables (setback 3 years for males and setback 1 year for females) are used to value disabled retirees.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011. It is likely that future experience will not exactly conform to these assumptions. To the extent that actual experience deviates from these assumptions, the emerging liabilities may be higher or lower than anticipated. The more the experience deviates, the larger the impact on future financial statements.

Long Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pension and Benefits, the Board of Trustees and the actuaries. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2016 are summarized in the following table:

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Long Term Expected Rate of Return (Continued)

		Long Term
		Expected Real
	Target	Rate of
Asset Class	Allocation	Return
Cash	5.00%	0.87%
U.S. Treasuries	1.50%	1.74%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	1.79%
Mortgages	2.00%	1.67%
High Yield Bonds	2.00%	4.56%
Inflation-Indexed Bonds	1.50%	3.44%
Broad U.S. Equities	26.00%	8.53%
Developed Foreign Equities	13.25%	6.83%
Emerging Market Equities	6.50%	9.95%
Private Equity	9.00%	12.40%
Hedge Funds/Absolute Return	12.50%	4.68%
Real Estate (Property)	2.00%	6.91%
Commodities	0.50%	5.45%
Global Debt ex U.S.	5.00%	-0.25%
REIT	5.25%	5.63%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.39% and 5.55% as of June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2015, respectively. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.9% and a municipal bond rate of 4.29% and 4.63% as of June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2015, respectively based on the Bond Buyer Go 20 Bond Municipal Bond Index which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contributions made in relation to the last five years of recommended contributions. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2033. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Sensitivity of the Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the Charter School's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability as of June 30, 2016 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed below, as well as what the Charter 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 or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

Fisca	l Year Ended June 30, 201	.6	
	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	(2.98%)	(3.98%)	(4.98%)
Charter School's proportionate share of the Net			
Pension Liability	\$ 36,292,338,055	\$ 29,617,131,759	\$ 24,106,170,190
Fiscal	Year Ended June 30, 201	5	
	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	(3.90%)	(4.90%)	(5.90%)
Charter School's proportionate share of the Net			
Pension Liability	\$ 27,900,112,533	\$ 22,447,996,119	\$ 17,876,981,108

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS financial statements.

B. <u>Teacher's Pension Annuity Fund (TPAF)</u>

Pension Description

The State of New Jersey, Teacher's Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation, by which the State of New Jersey (the State) is responsible fund 100% of the employer contributions, excluding any local employer early retirement incentive (ERI) contributions. The TPAF is administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about the TPAF, please refer to the Division's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) which can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrpts.shtml.

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Benefit Provided

The vesting and benefit provision are set by N.J.S.A. 18A:66. TPAF provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of TPAF. Members are always fully vested for their own contributions and, after three years of service credit, become vested of 2% of related interest earned on the contributions. In the case of death before retirement, member's beneficiaries are entitled to full interest credited to the member's accounts. The following represents the membership tiers for TPAF:

Tier	Descriptions
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008, 2010 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to Tier 3 members upon reaching 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and to Tier 5 members upon 65. Early retirement benefits are available to Tier 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, to Tier 3 and 4 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit and Tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age of which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Deferred retirement is available to members who have a least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

Contributions

The contribution policy for TPAF is set by N.J.S.A 18A:66 and requires contributions by active members and contributing members. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's pension contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount which included the employer portion of the normal cost and an amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Funding for noncontributory group insurance benefits is based on actual claims paid. For Fiscal year 2014 and 2013, the State's pension contribution was less than the actuarially determined amount.

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Special Funding Situation

The Employer contributions for local participating employers are legally required to be funded by the State in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18:66-33. Therefore, these local participating employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers, such as the Charter School.

This note discloses the portion of the Charter School's total proportionate share of the net pension liability that is associated with the Charter School. During the fiscal year ended 2017, the State of New Jersey contributed 29,721 to the TPAF for normal pension benefits on behalf of the Charter School, which is less than the contractually required contribution of 155,731

The employee contribution rate was 7.06% effective July 1, 2016. Subsequent increases after October 1, 2011 are being phased in over 7 years effective on each July 1st to bring the total pension contribution rate to 7.5% of base salary as of July 1, 2018.

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources</u> and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

As June 30, 2017, the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Charter School was 15,382,774. 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, 2015 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2016.

The Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Charter School's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2016, Charter School's proportion was 0.0195544%, which was an increase of 0.0034120% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2015.

Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ -
State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated	
with the Charter School	15,382,774
Total	\$ 15,382,774

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)</u>

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, the State recognized pension expense on behalf of the Charter School in the amount of 155,731 and the Charter School recognized pension expense and revenue for that same amount in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 financial statements.

The State reported collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Changes in Assumptions	\$ 15,702,750,875	\$	-
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	277,221,464		134,532,594
Changes in Proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	166,303,494		166,303,494
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual			
Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	1,434,728,663		<u> </u>
	\$ 17,581,004,496	\$	300,836,088

The \$17,581,004,496 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from changes in assumptions will be amortized over a period of 8.5 years. The \$17,581,004,496 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from changes in assumptions will amortized over a period of 8.5 years. The \$300,836,088 reported as a deferred inflow of resources resulting from the difference between projected and actual.

l Year

Ending June 30,	Total
2017 2018 2019 2020 2021	\$ 2,538,535,636 2,538,535,636 2,973,844,781 2,781,202,718 2,349,347,527
Thereafter	4,098,702,110
	\$ 17,280,168,408

NOTE IV: <u>PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)</u>

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2016 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2015 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2016. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement.

Inflation Rate 2.50%

Salary Increases:

2012-2021 Varies based on experience
Thereafter Varies based on experience

Investment Rate of Return 7.65%

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Health Annuitant Mortality Tables for Males or Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Scale AA. Pre-retirement mortality improvements for active members are projected using Scale AA from the base year of 200 until the valuation date plus 15 years to account for future mortality improvement. Post-retirement mortality improvements for non-disabled annuitants are projected using Scale AA from the base year of 2000 for males and 2003 for females until the valuation date plus 7 years to account future mortality improvement.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2013 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2012.

Long Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on pension investments (7.90% at June 30, 2016) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pension and Benefits, the Board of Trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in TPAF's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2016 is summarized in the following table:

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Long Term Expected Rate of Return (Continued)

	Target	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of
Asset Class	Allocation	Return
Cash	5.00%	0.39%
U.S. Government Bonds	1.50%	1.28%
U.S. Credit Bonds	13.00%	2.76%
U.S. Mortgages	2.00%	2.38%
U.S. Inflation-Indexed Bonds	1.50%	1.41%
U.S. High Yield Bonds	2.00%	4.70%
U.S. Equity Market	26.00%	5.14%
Foreign Developed Equity	13.25%	5.91%
Emerging Market Equities	6.50%	8.16%
Private Real Estate Property	5.25%	3.64%
Timber	1.00%	3.86%
Farmland	1.00%	4.39%
Private Equity	9.00%	8.97%
Commodities	0.50%	2.87%
Hedge Funds _ MultiStrategy	5.00%	3.70%
Hedge Funds - Equity Hedge	3.75%	4.72%
Hedge Funds - Distressed	3.75%	3.49%

<u>Sensitivity of the Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension</u> <u>Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</u>

The following presents the net pension liability of the State as of June 30, 2016 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the State's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current rate:

For the Fiscal	Year	Ended .	June 30.	. 2016

		,	
	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	(2.22%)	(3.22%)	(4.22%)
Charter School's proportionate share of the			
Net Pension Liability	\$ 94,378,176,033	\$ 79,028,907,033	\$ 66,494,248,033

NOTE IV: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Sensitivity of the Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate (Continued)

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015									
	1%	Current	1%						
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase						
	(3.13%)	(4.13%)	(5.13%)						
Charter School's proportionate share of the									
Net Pension Liability	\$ 75.559.915.440	\$ 63.577.864.440	\$ 53.254.610.440						

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position – TPAF

Detailed information about the TPAF's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TPAF financial statements.

C. <u>Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP)</u>

Prudential Financial jointly administers the DCRP investments with the NJ Division of Pensions and Benefits. If an employee is ineligible to enroll in the PERS or TPAF, the employee may be eligible to enroll in the DCRP. DCRP provides eligible members with a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance and disability coverage. Vesting is immediate upon enrollment for members of the DCRP.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of the DCRP. The financial reports may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295. The contribution policy is set by the New Jersey Statutes and, in most retirement systems, contributions are required by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by the State of New Jersey regulation. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. Employee contributions are based on percentages of 5.50% for DCRP of employees' annual compensation, as defined. The expanded under the provisions of Chapter 89, P.L. 2008. Employee contributions for DCRP are matched by a 3% employer contribution.

The actuarially determined employer contribution includes funding for cost-of-living adjustments and noncontributory death benefits, and post-retirement medical premiums.

For DCRP, the Charter School recognized no pension expense for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. There were no employee contributions to DCRP for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

NOTE V: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

P.L. 1987, c. 384 and P.L. 1990, c.6 required Teachers' Pensions and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), respectively, to fund post-retirement medical benefits for those state employees who retire after accumulating 25 years of credited service or on a disability retirement. P.L. 2007, c.103 amended the law to eliminate the funding of post-retirement medical benefits through the TPAF and PERS. It created separate funds outside of the pension plans for the funding and payment of post-retirement medical benefits for retired state employees and retired educational employees. As of June 30, 2016, there were 110,512 retirees receiving post-retirement medical benefits, and the State contributed \$1.37 billion on their behalf. The cost of these benefits is funded through contributions by the State in accordance with P.L. 1994, c.62. Funding of post-retirement medical benefits changed from a pre-funding basis to a pay-as-you-go basis beginning in Fiscal Year 1994.

The State is also responsible for the cost attributable to P.L. 1992, c.126, which provides employer paid health benefits to members of PERS and the Alternate Benefit Program (APB) who retired from a board of education or county college with 25 years of service The State paid \$231.2 million toward Chapter 126 benefits for 20,045 eligible retired members in Fiscal Year 2016.

The School Employees Health Benefits Program (SEHBP) Act is found in New Jersey Statutes Annotated, Title 52, Article 17.25 et.seq. Rules governing the operation and administration of the program are found in Title 17, Chapter 9 of the New Jersey Administrative Code. The State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for SEHBP. That report may be obtained from the Treasury website at:

http://www.nj.gov/treasurv/pensions/pdf/financial/2015divisioncombined.pdf

NOTE VI: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Charter School is a member of the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group, Educational Risk and Insurance Consortium (the Consortium). The Consortium is both an insured and self-administered group of Charter Schools established for the purpose of providing certain low-cost workers' compensation, employees' liability, automobile and equipment liability, general liability and boiler and machinery insurance coverage for member Charter Schools in order to keep local property taxes at a minimum. The Charter School pays an annual assessment to the Consortium and should it be determined that payments received by the Consortium are deficient, additional assessments may be levied. Additionally, the Consortium maintains a contract of excess insurance with a commercial reinsuror to secure the payment of benefits.

The Charter School continues to carry commercial insurance coverage for all other risks of loss, including health and accident insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE VI: RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance

The Charter School has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Benefit Reimbursement Method." Under this plan, the Charter School is required to reimburse the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund for benefits paid to its former employees and charged to its account with the State. The Charter School is billed quarterly for amounts due to the State.

Fiscal	Ending								
		chool		ployee		nount	•		
Year	Cont	<u>ributions </u>	_Cont	ributions	_Reim	nbursed	Balance		
		_		_				_	
2016-2017	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
2015-2016		-		-		-		-	
2014-2015		-		-		-		-	

NOTE VII: <u>DETAILED DISCLOSURE REGARDING FUND EQUITY</u>

General Fund

General Fund balance at June 30, 2017 is \$1,763,687 and unassigned

NOTE VIII: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Passaic Arts and Science Charter School's management has informed us that there are no significant events that need to be disclosed after the balance sheet date through the date of audit.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART II

SECTION C – BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

General Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

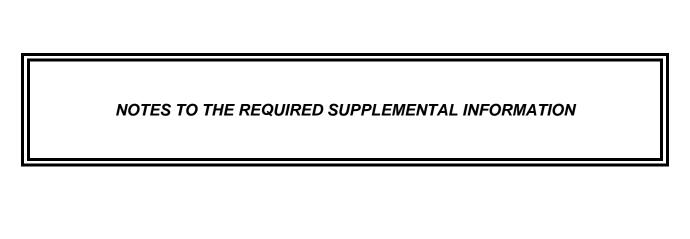
	Original Budget		Budget Transfers		Final Budget		Actual		Variance Final to Actual	
REVENUES:										
Local Levy Budget:	_				_				_	
Equalization Aid - Local	\$	1,575,206	\$	(193,266)	\$	1,381,940	\$	1,381,940	\$	
Total Local Levy Budget		1,575,206		(193,266)		1,381,940	_	1,381,940		<u> </u>
Categorical Aid:										
Equalization Aid - State Share		9,073,215		(638,955)		8,434,260		8,434,260		-
Special Education Aid		221,074		(72,461)		148,613		148,613		-
Security Aid		310,796		6,299		317,095		317,095		-
Other State Aid				604,362		604,362		604,362		
Total Categorical Aid		9,605,085		(100,755)		9,504,330		9,504,330		
Revenues From Other Sources:										
Miscellaneous Revenue On Behalf TPAF(Non Budgeted):		98,000		72,175		170,175		109,481		(60,694)
Pension Contributions - Normal Costs								295,634		295,634
Post Retirement Medical Contributions								246,330		246,330
Long - Term Disability Insurance Contributions								3,841		3,841
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security										
Contributions (Non-Budgeted)								279,323		279,323
Total Revenues From Other Sources		98,000		72,175		170,175		934,609		764,434
Total Revenues		11,278,291		(221,846)		11,056,445		11,820,879		764,434
EXPENDITURES:										
Instruction:										
Salaries of Teachers		3,501,526		(47,220)		3,454,306		3,219,803		234,503
Other Salaries for Instruction		307,266		57,594		364,860		339,094		25,766
Purchased Prof/Tech Services		55,098		2,000		57,098		4,963		52,135
Other Purchased Services		96,300		(5,900)		90,400		42,906		47,494
General Supplies		475,372		(188,496)		286,876		197,271		89,605
Textbooks		45,098		3,000		48,098		47,717		381
Miscellaneous		52,000		(19,363)		32,637		32,637		
Total Instruction		4,532,660		(198,385)		4,334,275		3,884,391		449,884
Administration:										
Salaries - General Administration		601,489		3,138		604,627		604,284		343
Salaries of Secretarial/Clerical Assistants		190,925		-		190,925		189,923		1,002
Total Benefits Cost		1,294,346		(8,105)		1,286,241		1,257,242		28,999
Purchases Prof/Tech Services		1,455,552		(46,204)		1,409,348		1,392,602		16,746
Communications/Telephone		105,770		2,848		108,618		105,911		2,707
Travel		7,000		(6,486)		514		,-		514
Supplies and Materials		25,000		(9,426)		15,574		15,218		356
Miscellaneous Expenses		37,000		(18,078)		18,922		17,039		1,883
Total Administration		3,717,082		(82,313)		3,634,769		3,582,219		52,550

General Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Original Budget Budget Transfers		Final Budget Actual			Variance Final to Actual			
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Support Services:									
Salaries	\$	1,096,089	\$ 4,428	\$	1,100,517	\$	990,686	\$	109,831
Purchased Prof/Ed Services		154,282	4,052		158,334		141,693		16,641
Purchased Prof/Tech Services		36,600	33,006		69,606		66,355		3,251
Maintenance Services		160,400	(7,534)		152,866		149,245		3,621
Rental of Land and Buildings		1,027,776	18,000		1,045,776		1,031,446		14,330
Other Purchased Services		29,500	(1,000)		28,500		28,500		-
Transportation-Other Than To/From School		15,000	14,974		29,974		29,974		-
Insurance for Property, Liability and Fidelity		61,000	318		61,318		60,567		751
Supplies and Materials		143,000	(8,125)		134,875		115,763		19,112
Energy Costs (Heat and Electricity)		151,500	(6,098)		145,402		109,273		36,129
Miscellaneous Expenses		5,500	 (5,070)		430	_	430		
Total Support Services		2,880,647	 46,951		2,927,598		2,723,932		203,666
Capital Outlay:									
Instructional Equipment		7,228	(2,750)		4,478				4,478
Non-Instructional Equipment		70,000	 (19,173)	_	50,827		50,827		<u> </u>
Total Capital Outlay		77,228	 (21,923)		55,305	_	50,827		4,478
On - Behalf TPAF (Non-Budgeted) Pension Contributions - Normal Costs Post Retirement Medical Contributions Long - Term Disability Insurance Contributions Reimbursed TPAF Social Security							295,634 246,330 3,841		(295,634) (246,330) (3,841)
Contributions (Non-Budgeted)							279,323		(279,323)
Total Expenditures		11,207,617	 (255,670)		10,951,947		11,066,497		431,255
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		70,674	33,824		104,498		754,382		649,884
FUND BALANCE, JULY 1		1,009,269			1,009,269		1,009,305		36
				_		_		_	
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$	1,079,943	\$ 33,824	\$	1,113,767	\$	1,763,687	\$	649,920
Recapitulation of Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures									
Budgeted Fund Balance	\$	1,079,943	\$ 33,824	\$	1,113,767	\$	1,763,687	\$	649,920
Total	\$	1,079,943	\$ 33,824	\$	1,113,767	\$	1,763,687	\$	649,920

Special Revenue Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	- 3		Final Budget Actual		Actual	Variance Final to Actual			
REVENUE SOURCES: Local Federal	\$	358,209 519,492	\$ 9,785 146	\$	367,994 519,638	\$	367,994 519,638		<u>-</u>
Total Revenues		877,701	 9,931		887,632		887,632		
EXPENDITURES:									
Instruction:									
Salaries		269,400	(91,143)		178,257		178,257		-
Salaries of Teachers		-	2,745		2,745		2,745		
Other Salaries for Instruction		113,101			113,101		113,101		-
Purchased Prof/Tech Services			46,353		46,353		46,353		-
General Supplies		12,893	 65,096		77,989		77,989		
Total Instruction		395,394	 23,051		418,445		418,445		
Support Services:									
Salaries		323,241	1,304		324,545		324,545		
Personal Services - Employee Benefits		112,584	(13,925)		98,659		98,659		-
Purchased Prof/Ed Services		17,865	-		17,865		17,865		-
Purchased Technical Services		23,601	(3,434)		20,167		20,167		
Other Purchased Services		3,936	 (463)		3,473		3,473		
Total Support Services		481,227	 (16,518)		464,709		464,709		
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services:									
Instructional Equipment		1,080	3,398		4,478		4,478		
Total Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services		1,080	 3,398		4,478		4,478		
Total Lacinites Acquisition and Constituction Services		1,000	 3,380		4,410		4,410	-	
Total Expenditures		877,701	 9,931		887,632		887,632		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	<u>-</u>

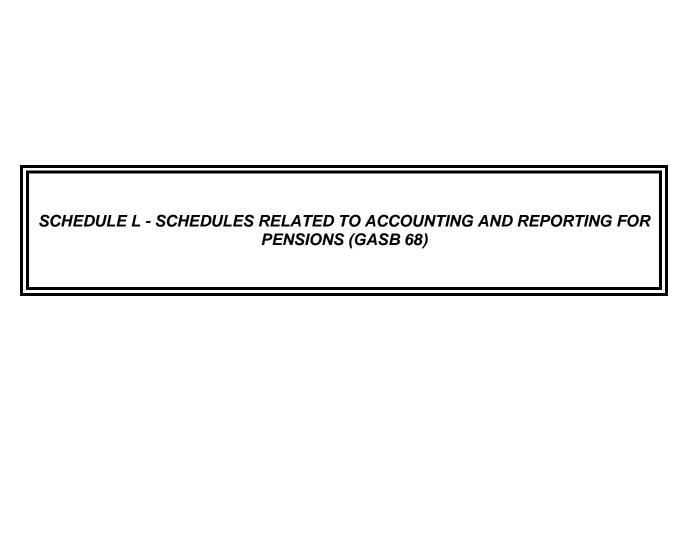


Required Supplementary Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule Note to RSI Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Note A - Explanation of Differences between Budgetary Inflows and Outflows and GAAP Revenues and Expenditures

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund
Sources/Inflows of Resources Actual amounts (budgetary) "revenues" from the budgetary comparison schedules	[C-1] \$ 11,820,879 [C-	2] \$ 887,632
Difference - Budget to GAAP Grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that encumbrances are recognized as expenditures, and the related revenue is recognized		
Total revenues as reports on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance - governmental funds.	[B-2] <u>\$ 11,820,879</u> [B-	2] \$ 887,632
Uses/Outflows of resources Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total outflows" from the budgetary comparison schedule	[C-1] \$ 11,066,497 [C-	2] \$ 887,632
Differences - Budget to GAAP: Encumbrances for supplies and equipment ordered but not received are reported in the year the order is placed for budgetary purposes, but in the year the supplies are received for financial accounting purposes.		
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances - governmental funds.	[B-2] <u>\$ 11,066,497</u> [B-	2] \$ 887,632

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART III



PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULES SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM LAST FOUR FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

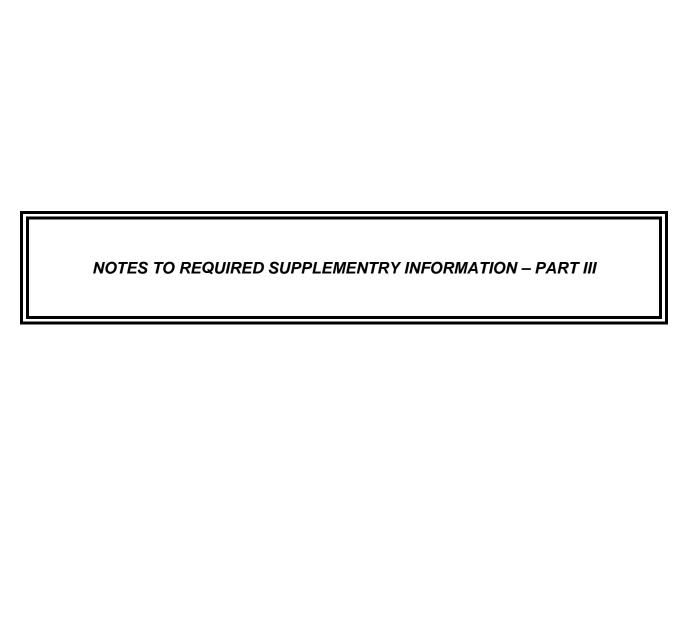
	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,										
	2014 2015		2015		2016	2017					
Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability	N/A		0.007063563%		0.009495170%		0.010363854%				
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	N/A	\$	1,322,492	\$	2,131,475	\$	3,069,476				
Charter School's covered employees payroll	N/A	\$	668,593	\$	2,052,344	\$	1,496,490				
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of it's covered employee payroll	N/A		198%		104%		205%				
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	N/A		52.08%		47.93%		45.37%				

PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULES SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM LAST FOUR FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,										
	2014	_	2015		2016		2017				
Contractually required contribution	N/A	\$	78,372	\$	81,633	\$	94,787				
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	N/A		(78,372)		(81,633)		(94,787)				
Contribution deficiency/(excess)	N/A	\$		\$		\$	-				
Charter School's covered employee payroll	N/A	\$	668,593	\$	2,052,344	\$	1,496,490				
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	N/A		11.72%		3.98%		6.33%				

PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULES SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY TEACHER'S PENSION AND ANNUITY FUND LAST FOUR FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2014	2015		-	2016		2017			
State's proportion of the net pension liability attributable of the Charter School	N/A		0.0000000%		0.0161425%		0.01955445%			
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the Charter School	N/A	\$	-	\$	10,202,719	\$	15,382,774			
CS / District's covered employees payroll	N/A	\$	2,369,291	\$	3,822,883	\$	3,821,585			
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of it's covered employee payroll	N/A		0.00%		266.89%		402.52%			
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	N/A		33.64%		28.71%		22.33%			



PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

A. Benefit Changes

There were none.

B. Changes in Assumptions

The discount rate changed from 4.90% as of June 30, 2015 to 3.98% as of June 30, 2016 in accordance with Paragraph 44 of GASB Statement No. 67.

PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION TEACHER'S PENSION AND ANNUITY FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

A. Benefit Changes

There were none.

B. Changes in Assumptions

The discount rate changed from 4.13% as of June 30, 2015 to 3.22% as of June 30, 2016 in accordance with Paragraph 44 of GASB Statement No. 67.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

SECTION E - SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific sources (other than expandable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL
Special Revenue Fund
Combining Schedule of Program Revenues and Expenditures - Budgetary Basis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Lo Proj Resti	Local Projects Restricted	NCLB Title I	NCLB Title III	I.D.E.A. Part B	I.D.E.A. Preschool	NCLB Title II Part A	Grand Total
KEVENUE SOUKCES: Local Federal	ε 6	367,994 \$	357,309	\$ 11,435	\$ 141,920	\$ 6,538	\$ 2,436	\$ 367,994 519,638
Total Revenues	က	367,994	357,309	11,435	141,920	6,538	2,436	887,632
EXPENDITURES: Instruction: Salaries Salaries of Teachers Other Salaries for Instruction			173,068	2,745	113.101	5,189		178,257 2,745 113,101
Purchased Prof/Tech Services General Supplies			46,353 70,546	7,443				46,353 77,989
Total Instruction			289,967	10,188	113,101	5,189		418,445
Support Services: Salaries Personal Services - Employee Benefits	ю	324,545 43,449	44,999	210	8,652	1,349		324,545 98,659
Other Purchased Prof. lech Services Other Purchased Services			17,865	1,037	70,167		2,436	3,473
Total Support Services	က	367,994	62,864	1,247	28,819	1,349	2,436	464,709
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services: Instructional Equipment			4,478					4,478
Total Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services			4,478			•		4,478
Total Expenditures	က	367,994	357,309	11,435	141,920	6,538	2,436	887,632
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	↔	٠		. ↔	\$. ↔	. ↔	- \$

SECTION G – PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Proprietary Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises – where the intent of the Charter School's board is that the costs of providing goods or services be financed through user charges.

Food Services Fund – The fund provides for the operation of food services in all schools within the Charter School.

THIS SECTION HAS ALREADY BEEN INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS B-4, B-5, AND B-6.

SECTION H – FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Fiduciary Funds are used to account for funds received by the school for a specific purpose.

Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the Charter School as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds.

Student Activity Fund – This agency fund is used to account for student funds held at the schools.

Payroll Fund – this agency fund is used to account for payroll transactions of the Charter School.

Fiduciary Funds
Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
As of June 30, 2017

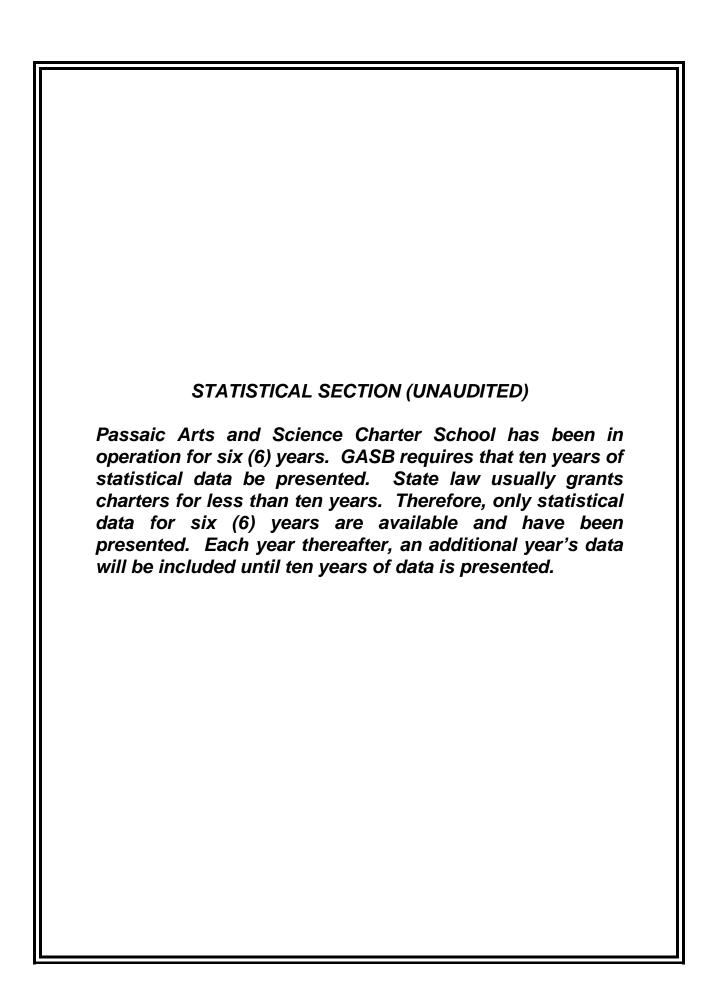
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		Payroll Net Student Agency Payroll Activities					Total Agency Fund
CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents Other Accounts Receivable	\$	3,290	\$	6,717	\$	11,806 740	\$ 21,813 740
Total Current Assets	_\$	3,290	\$	6,717	\$	12,546	\$ 22,553
LIABILITIES Liabiliites: Interfund Accounts Payable Due to Student Activities	\$	3,290	\$	6,717	\$	- 12,546	\$ 10,007 12,546
Total Liabilities	_\$	3,290	\$	6,717	\$	12,546	\$ 22,553

Fiduciary Funds
Student Activity Agency Fund
Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	salance y 1, 2016	A	dditions	D	eletions	Balance e 30, 2017
ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents Other Accounts Receivable Due from Student Activities	\$ 4,802 7,642	\$	36,386 740	\$	29,382 7,642	\$ 11,806 740
Total Assets	\$ 12,444	\$	37,126	\$	37,024	\$ 12,546
LIABILITIES: Interfund Accounts Payable Due to Student Activities	\$ 12,444	\$	- 37,126	\$	12,444 24,580	\$ - 12,546
Total Liabilities	\$ 12,444	\$	37,126	\$	37,024	\$ 12,546

Fiduciary Funds
Payroll Agency Fund
Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	ance , 2016	 Additions	Deletions	 ance 30, 2017
ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 180	\$ 2,680,116	\$ 2,677,006	\$ 3,290
Total Assets	\$ 180	\$ 2,680,116	\$ 2,677,006	\$ 3,290
LIABILITIES: Interfund Accounts Payable Payroll Deductions and Withholdings	\$ 180	\$ 3,110 2,677,006	\$ - 2,677,006	\$ 3,290
Total Liabilities	\$ 180	\$ 2,680,116	\$ 2,677,006	\$ 3,290



Passaic Arts and Science Charter School Statistical Section

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Contents

Financial Trends

These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the charter school's financial performance and well being have changed over time.

Revenue Capacity (Not Applicable To Charter School)

These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the Charter School's most significant local revenue source, the property tax.

Debt Capacity

These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the charter school's current levels of outstanding debt and the charter school's ability to issue additional debt in the future.

Demographic and Economic Information

These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the charter school's financial activities take place.

Operating Information

These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the charter school's financial report relates to the services the Charter School provides and the activities it performs.

Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the comprehensive annual financial reports (CAFR) for the relevant year. The charter school implemented GASB Statement 34 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008; schedules presenting charter school-wide information include information beginning in that year.



Net Position by Component Last Six Fiscal Years (Accrual Basis of Accounting) (Unaudited)

	2017		 2016	 2015	2014	2013		2012
Governmental Activities Net Investment in Capital Assets Assigned	\$	12,894	\$ 31,651	\$ 90,962 8,015	\$ 77,052 8,492	\$ 99,067 32,934	\$	(99,067) 15,850
Unassigned		623,131	463,697	1,960,827	 1,847,501	1,749,021	1	,065,201
Total Governmental Activities Net Assets/Position	\$	636,025	\$ 495,348	\$ 2,059,804	\$ 1,933,045	\$ 1,881,022	\$	981,984
Business-Type Activities Unassigned Total Business-Type Activities Net Position	\$ \$	182,009 182,009	\$ 159,771 159,771	\$ 86,773 86,773	\$ 74,056 74,056	\$ 75,496 75,496	\$	14,001 14,001
Charter School-wide								
Net Investment in Capital Assets Assigned	\$	12,894	\$ 31,651 -	\$ 90,962 8,015	\$ 77,052 8,492	\$ 99,067 32,934	\$	(99,067) 15,850
Unassigned		805,140	623,468	2,047,600	1,921,557	1,824,517	1	,079,202
Total Charter School Net Position	\$	818,034	\$ 655,119	\$ 2,146,577	\$ 2,007,101	\$ 1,956,518	\$	995,985

PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL
Changes in Net Position
Last Six Fiscal Years
(Accrual Basis of Accounting)
(Unaudited)

		2017		2016		2015		2014		2013		2012
Expenses								·				
Governmental Activities:												
Instruction	\$	5,370,072	\$	5,625,957	\$	3,784,056	\$	3,292,064	\$	2,390,779	\$	2,291,837
Administration		3,683,237		3,138,242		1,977,141		1,358,182		934,633		622,482
Support Services		3,385,203		3,135,100		1,920,467		1,944,254		1,109,616		982,690
Capital Outlay		52,826		173,895		-		13,319		472,602		79,274
Unallocated Depreciation		1,450		2,900	_	2,900		2,900	_	22,015		11,007
Total Governmental Activities Expenses	-	12,492,788		12,076,094	_	7,684,564		6,610,719	_	4,929,645	_	3,987,290
Business-Type Activities:												
Food Service and Before & After School Care		526,392		438,124		339,918		360,925		203,118		188,052
Total Business-Type Activities Expenses		526,392		438,124		339,918		360,925		203,118		188,052
Total Charter School Expenses	\$	13,019,180	\$	12,514,218	\$	8,024,482	\$	6,971,644	\$	5,132,763	\$	4,175,342
Program Revenues												
Governmental Activities:												
Operating Grants and Contributions	\$	-	\$	156,155	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-		_
Total Governmental Activities Expenses		-		156,155		-		-		-		
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Business-Type Activities:												
Charges for Services		28,115		92,346		57,760		66,959		61,394		195,538
Operating Grants and Contributions		520,515		418,776		294,875		292,527		203,219		6,515
Total Business-Type Activities Expenses		548,630		511,122		352,635		359,486		264,613		202,053
Total Charter School Program Revenues	\$	548,630	\$	667,277	\$	352,635	\$	359,486	\$	264,613	\$	202,053
Net (Expense)/Revenue												
Governmental Activities	\$	(12,492,788)	\$	(12,076,094)	\$	(7,684,564)	\$	(6,610,719)	\$	(4,929,645)	\$	(3,987,290)
Business-Type Activities	•	22,238	•	72,998	•	12,717	•	(1,439)	*	61,495	•	14,001
Total Charter School-wide Net Expense	\$	(12,470,550)	\$	(12,003,096)	\$	(7,671,847)	\$	(6,612,158)	\$	(4,868,150)	\$	(3,973,289)
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position												
Governmental Activities:												
General Purposes	\$	1,381,940	\$	1,365,231	\$	1,071,366	\$	907,165	\$	772,927	\$	579,668
Federal and State Aid Not Restricted	Ψ	10,849,096	Ψ	9,129,907	Ψ	6,705,187	Ψ	5,733,013	Ψ	5,035,769	Ψ	4,369,340
Tuition		29,583		7,596		0,700,107		5,755,015		5,055,765		4,000,040
Miscellaneous Income		372,846		8,905		34,769		22,563		19,987		20,266
Total Governmental Activities		12,633,465		10,511,639	_	7,811,322	_	6,662,741	_	5,828,683	_	4,969,274
Total Charter School-wide	\$	12,633,465	\$	10,511,639	\$	7,811,322	\$		\$	5,828,683	\$	
Change in Net Position												
Governmental Activities	\$	140,677	\$	(1,564,455)	Φ	126,758	\$	52,022	\$	899,038	\$	981,984
Business-Type Activities	Φ	22,238	φ	72,998	Φ	120,736	φ	(1,439)	φ	61,495	φ	14,001
Total Charter School	\$	162,915	\$	(1,491,457)	\$		\$	50,583	\$	960,533	\$	995,985
Total Charter Colloca	Ψ	102,010	Ψ	(1,701,701)	Ψ	100,770	Ψ	50,500	Ψ	500,500	Ψ	550,500

Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
Last Six Fiscal Years
(Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting)
(Unaudited)

Fiscal Year Ending

		June 30,													
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012									
General Fund Assigned Unassigned	\$ - 1,763,687	\$ - 1,009,305	\$ 8,015 2,268,977	\$ 8,492 1,833,592	\$ 32,934 1,771,036	\$ 15,850 867,067									
Total General Fund	\$ 1,763,687	\$ 1,009,305	\$ 2,276,992	\$ 1,842,084	\$ 1,803,970	\$ 882,917									

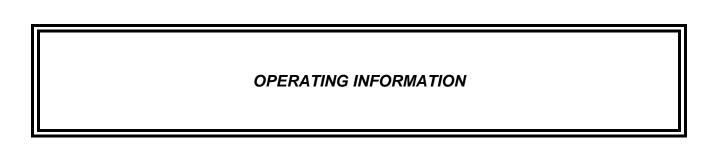
PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL
Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
Last Six Fiscal Years
(Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting) (Unaudited)

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Revenues:						
Local Sources:						
Local Tax Levy	\$ 1,381,940	\$ 1,365,231	\$ 1,071,366	\$ 907,165	\$ 772,927	\$ 579,668
Tuition	29,583	7,596				
Miscellaneous	79,898	8,905	34,769	22,563	19,987	20,266
State Sources	10,329,458	8,630,671	6,283,727	5,289,319	4,699,160	4,244,171
Federal Sources	519,638	655,391	421,460	443,694	336,609	125,169
Total Revenues	12,708,511	10,667,794	7,811,322	6,662,741	5,828,683	4,969,274
Expenditures:						
Instruction	4,363,653	4,868,550	3,184,033	2,861,449	2,075,852	1,970,029
Administration	4,157,176	3,995,422	2,389,140	1,863,341	1,301,727	1,003,117
Support Services	3,377,995	2,895,510	1,803,241	1,843,935	1,057,449	923,863
Capital Outlay	55,305	175,999	-	55,902	472,602	189,348
Total Expenditures	11,954,129	11,935,481	7,376,414	6,624,627	4,907,630	4,086,357
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 754,382	\$ (1,267,687)	\$ 434,908	\$ 38,114	\$ 921,053	\$ 882,917

General Fund - Other Local Revenue by Source Last Six Fiscal Years (Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting) (Unaudited)

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Do	nations		r Year funds		cellaneous Revenue		Annual Total
2017	æ		c	700	c	79,198	¢	70 000
_	\$	-	\$		\$	•	\$	79,898
2016				167		8,738		8,905
2015		933				33,836		34,769
2014		575				21,988		22,563
2013						19,987		19,987
2012						20,266		20,266

Source: Charter School Records



Full-Time Equivalent Charter School Employees by Function Last Six Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

Function	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Instruction	89	74	52	39	40	33
Administrative	10	19	5	5	3	2
Support Services	30	12	28	27	13	11
Total	129	105	85	<u>71</u>	56	46

Source: Charter School Personnel Records

Operating Statistics Last Six Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

Student	Attendance	Percentage	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	95.35%	98.79%	98.87%
Percent Change in	Average Daily	Enrollment	15.20%	29.93%	%68.9	12.47%	14.73%	0.00%
Average Daily	Attendance	(ADA) ^c	855	725	208	451	409	349
Average Daily	Enrollment	(ADE) ^c	855	725	208	473	414	353
Pupil/	Teacher	Ratio	9:1	10:1	10:1	12:1	1:1	11:1
	Teaching	Staff ^b	89	74	52	39	40	33
	Percentage	Change	-12.35%	15.88%	1.78%	30.24%	-2.45%	0.00%
	Cost Per	Pupil	\$ 14,216	\$ 16,220	\$ 13,997	\$ 13,753	\$ 10,560	\$ 10,825
	Operating	Expenditures ^a	\$ 11,898,824	11,759,482	7,376,414	6,518,755	4,435,028	3,897,009
		Enrollment	837	725	527	474	420	360
	Fiscal	Year	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012

Sources: Charter School records

Note: Enrollment based on annual final Charter School count.

a Operating expenditures equal total expenditures less debt service and capital outlay.

b Teaching staff includes only full-time equivalents of certified staff.

c Average daily enrollment and average daily attendance are obtained from School Register Summary (SRS).

School Building Information Last Six Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Charter School Building						
Middle School						
Square Feet	25,390	25,390	25,390	25,390	31,800	31,800
Capacity (students)	349	240	240	240	420	420
Enrollment	349	235	236	237	420	360
High School						
Square Feet	31,800	31,800	31,800	31,800		
Capacity (students)	244	260	300	240		
Enrollment	244	255	291	237		
Elementary						
Square Feet	19,100	19,100				
Capacity (students)	244	240				
Enrollment	244	235				

Number of Schools at June 30, 2017 Elementary School = 1 Middle School = 1 High School = 1

Source: Charter School Facilities Office

Note: Increases in square footage and capacity are the result of additions. Enrollment is based on the annual October Charter School count.



New Jersey Schools Insurance Group North Jersey Educational Insurance Fund School Leaders Errors & Omissions Liability Policy Declarations

Policy Number: E976AH Premium: \$23,125.12

Named Insured: Agent:

Passaic Arts & Sciences Charter School Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Mgt. Serv.,Inc. 465 Boulevard 707 State Road

Elmwood Park, NJ 07407 P.O. Box 83 Princeton, NJ 08540

Policy Term: July 1, 2016 to July 1, 2017 12:01 AM Eastern Standard Time

Coverage A

Limit of Liability \$16,000,000 each policy period

Deductible \$5,000 each claim

Coverage B

Limit of Liability \$100,000 each claim

\$300,000 each policy period

Deductible \$5,000 each claim

This is a claims-made and reported policy. By acceptance of this policy, the Insured agrees that the statements in the Declarations and the application and any attachments hereto are the Insured's agreements and representations and that this policy embodies all agreements existing between the Insured and the Company or any of its agents relating to this insurance.

Retroactive Dates for Coverages A & B

It is agreed that notwithstanding any provision of the policy to the contrary, this policy does not apply, as respects Coverages A & B, to claims made against the Insured arising out of a single act, error, omission, misstatement or misleading statement which occurred prior to:

Retro Date for Coverage A July 1, 1986 Retro Date for Coverage B July 1, 1986

Policy Forms: NJSIG-E1 (7/15)

In witness whereof, the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group has caused this agreement to be signed by its Executive Director.

NJSIG Executive Director

Kellan M Mayo

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New Jersey Schools Insurance Group North Jersey Educational Insurance Fund Package Policy Declarations

Policy Number: P976AH

Premium: \$31,602.75

Named Insured: Agent:

Passaic Arts & Sciences Charter School Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Mgt. Serv.,Inc.

465 Boulevard 707 State Road Elmwood Park, NJ 07407 P.O. Box 83

Princeton, NJ 08540

Policy Term: 07/01/2016 to 07/01/2017 12:01 AM Eastern Standard Time

Article I - Property

Real and Personal Property \$450,000,000 per occurrence NJSIG Limit
Extra Expense \$50,000,000 per occurrence NJSIG Limit
Valuable Papers and Records \$10,000,000 per occurrence NJSIG Limit
Demolition and Increased Cost of Construction \$25,000,000 per occurrence NJSIG Limit
Not Covered

Loss of Rents Not Covered
Loss of Business Income/Tuition 3,000,000.00

Limited Builders Risk \$5,000,000 per occurrence NJSIG Limit

Fire Department Service Charge \$10,000 per occurrence
Arson Reward \$10,000 per occurrence
Pollutant Cleanup and Removal \$250,000 per occurrence

Fine Arts Not Covered

Sublimits: Special Flood Hazard Area Flood Zones \$25,000,000 per occurrence/ NJSIG annual

aggregate

Accounts Receivable \$250,000 per occurrence

All Flood Zones \$75,000,000 per occurrence /NJSIG annual

aggregate

Earthquake \$50,000,000 per occurrence /NJSIG annual

aggregate

Terrorism \$1,000,000 per occurrence /NJSIG annual

aggregate

Deductibles: Real & Personal \$1,000 per occurrence

Extra Expense \$1,000 per occurrence
Valuable Papers \$1,000 per occurrence
\$500,000 per building

Special Flood Hazard Area Flood Deductibles: \$500,000 per building

\$500,000 per building contents

All Other Flood Zones Flood Deductible: \$10,000 per member/per occurrence

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New Jersey Schools Insurance Group North Jersey Educational Insurance Fund Schedule of Properties

Named Insured: Passaic Arts & Sciences Charter School

Policy No.: 976AH-01

Policy Period: 07/01/2016 to 07/01/2017

EDP Value:

\$500,000

\$3,000,000

Business Income Value

Fine Arts Value:

Loss of Rents Value:

Extra Expense Value (\$50,000,000 -Pool OCC Limit):

Valuable Papers Value (\$10,000,000 -Pool OCC Limit):

Total Insured	value	\$75,000		\$75,000		\$250,000		\$400,000	
Builders Risk Value	Misc Prop Value							0\$	\$
Building Value	Contents Value Misc Prop Value	\$0	\$75,000	0\$	\$75,000	\$0	\$250,000	\$0	\$400,000
Effective Date	Expiration Date	29390 07/01/2016	07/01/2017	21000 07/01/2016	2015 07/01/2017	31800 07/01/2016	07/01/2017	olotot Totalo	iicy iotais
Square Feet	Year Built	29390		21000	2015	31800	0		2
Protection Class	Construction Type		Brick/Block		Brick/Block		Brick/Block		
Territory	Valuation Basis	Inland	Replacement Cost	Inland	Replacement Cost	Inland	Replacement Cost		
Flood	7oue								
Address		40 Tulip Street	Passaic, NJ 07407	6 Wall Street	Passaic, NJ 07055	7 ST. Francis Way	Passaic, NJ 07056		
Bldg # Description		School		Holy Rosary Church 6 Wall Street	School	School			
Bldg #		3		2		9			

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New Jersey Schools Insurance Group North Jersey Educational Insurance Fund

Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Declarations Page

Policy Number: W976AH Premium: \$51,840.39

Named Insured: Agent:

Passaic Arts & Sciences Charter School Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Mgt. Serv.,Inc.

465 Boulevard 707 State Road Elmwood Park, NJ 07407 P.O. Box 83

Princeton, NJ 08540

Policy Term: 07/01/2016 to 07/01/2017 12:01 AM Eastern Standard Time

Estimated Professional & Clerical Payroll \$3,110,000.00

Estimated Non-Professional Payroll \$408,000.00

Experience Modifier 0.8990

NJSIG Discount 0.5390

The limits of our liability under Part One: Statutory

The limits of our liability under Part Two, Employers' Liability Agreement are:

Bodily Injury by Accident \$2,000,000 each accident
Bodily Injury by Disease \$2,000,000 each employee
Bodily Injury by Disease \$2,000,000 aggregate limit

Policy Forms: NJSIG-W1 (7/03); NJSIG-W2 (7/03)

In witness whereof, the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group has caused this agreement to be signed by its Executive Director.

NJSIG Executive Director

Hellow M Mayo

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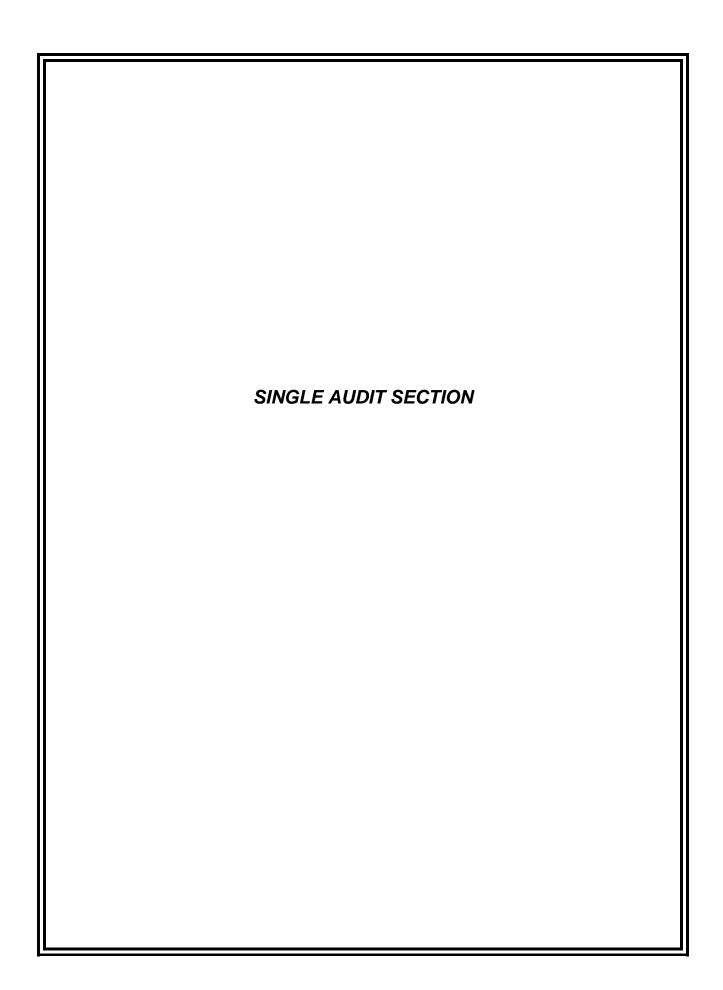
PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL
Charter School Performance Framework Financial Indicators
Fiscal Ratios
Last Three Fiscal Years

2017

	Audit	Audit	Audit	Source
Cash	\$ 1,934,391	\$ 929,082 \$	\$ 1,367,936	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Current Assets (includes CASH)	2,741,537	1,580,393	2,325,631	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total Assets	3,929,951	3,250,695	2,357,181	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Current Liabilities	382,040	429,830	398,591	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total Liabilities	460,883	464,099	2,530,093	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Net Assets	2,146,576	655,119	818,034	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total Revenue	8,163,957	11,178,916	13,182,095	Audit: Exhibit A-2
Total Expenses	8,024,482	12,670,373	13,019,180	Audit: Exhibit A-2
Change in Net Assets	139,475	(1,491,457)	162,915	Audit: Exhibit A-2
Depreciation Expense	30,532	30,883	20,441	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Interest Expense			•	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Principal Payments	•	•	•	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Interest Payments	-			Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Final Average Daily Enrollment	508.00	725.00	854.60	DOE Enrollment Reports
March 30th Budgeted Enrollment	239	780	098	Charter School Budget

		RATI	ATIOS ANALYSIS	I S			
Near Te	Near Term Indicators	2015	2016	2017	3 YR CUM	Source:	Target
1a.	Current Ratio	7.18	3.68	5.83		Current Assets/Current Liabilities	> 1.1
1b.	Unrestricted Days Cash	66'48	26.76	38.35		Cash/(Total Expenses/365)	30-60
1c.	Enrollment Variance	%46	%86	%66		Average Daily Enrollment/Budgeted Enrollment	% 5 6<
1d.*	Default	A/N	N/A	N/A		Audit	not in defau
Sustain	Sustainability Indicators						
2a.	Total Margin	7%	-13%	1%	%7-	Change in Net Assets/Total Revenue	positive
2b.	Debt to Asset	0.12	0.14	1.07		Total Liabilities/Total Assets	6:>
2c. **	Cash Flow	851,322	(1,005,309)	438,854	284,867	Net change in cash flow from prior years	3 yr cum pos
						(Change in Net Assets+Depreciation+Interest	
2d.	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	ΑN	A/N	A/N		Expense)/(Principal & Interest Payments)	>1.10

Is school in default of loan covenant(s) and/or is deliquent with debt service payments? Yes or No 2017 = 2017 Cash - 2016 Cash; 2016 = 2016 Cash - 2016 Cash - 2014 Cash * *



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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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Passaic Arts and Science Charter School County of Passaic Elmwood Park, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with the 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 in compliance with audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Passaic Arts and Science Charter School (Charter School), in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Charter School's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 28, 2017.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Charter 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 Charter School's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Charter 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a 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 over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting 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 Charter School's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its 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 matter that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey.

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 entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Public School Accountants

Richard M. Barre

Public School Accountant PSA Number CS-01181

Union, New Jersey November 28, 2017

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL AND STATE PROGRAM;
REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON THE
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY U.S. UNIFORM
GUIDANCE AND SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AS
REQUIRED BY NEW JERSEY CIRCULAR 15-08-OMB

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Passaic Arts and Science Charter School County of Passaic Elmwood Park, New Jersey

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program

We have audited the Passaic Arts and Science Charter School's (Charter School) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement and the New Jersey Circular 15-08 OMB State Aid/Grant Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal and state programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. The Charter School's major federal and state programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Management's Responsibility

The Charter School's management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal and state programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Charter School's major federal and state programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance 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; the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit*

Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and the audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey; New Jersey Circular 15-08 OMB, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid. Those standards, Uniform Guidance and New Jersey Circular 15-08 OMB require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal or state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Charter School's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal and state program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Charter School's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

In our opinion, the Passaic Arts and Science Charter School, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal and state programs for the year ended June 30, 2017.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Passaic Arts and Science Charter School is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Charter School's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal or state program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal and state program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with Uniform Guidance and New Jersey Circular 15-08 OMB, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Charter School's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and New Jersey Circular 15-08 OMB. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance Required by New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Passaic Arts and Science Charter School, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Charter School's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated November 28, 2017, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance as required by New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures and schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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Richard M. Barre

Public School Accountant PSA Number CS-01181

Union, New Jersey November 28, 2017

The accompanying Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL. Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Federal	Federal	Grant or State	Program or				Carryover/				Repayment	Bal	Balance at June 30, 2017	17
Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	CFDA Number	FAIN	Project Number	Award	Grant Period From To	Period To	Balance at June 30, 2016	(Walkover) Amount	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Adjustments	Of Prior Years' Balances	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Due to Grantor
U.S. Department of Education Passed-through State Department of Education															
Special Revenue Fund: No Child Left Behind Cluster:															
	84.010A	S010A150030	NCLB - 6080 - 17 \$		7/1/16	6/30/17 \$,	· &	\$ 268,043	\$ (357,309)	· &	· •	\$ (89,266)	· •	
	84.010A		NCLB - 6080 - 16	509,117	7/1/14	6/30/15									
Sarryover	84.010A		NCLB - 6080 - 15	310,539	7/1/15	6/30/16									
Part A	84.367A	S367A150029	NCLB - 6080 - 17	2,436	2/1/16	6/30/17			1,453	(2,436)			(883)		
	84.365A	S365A150030	NCLB - 6080 - 17	14,393	91/1//	6/30/17			6,416	(11,435)			(2,019)		
Total No Child Left Behind Cluster									275,912	(371,180)			(95,268)		•
Individuals with Disabilities Cluster:															
I.D.E.A. Part B Basic	84.027	H027A150100	IDEA - 6080 - 17	141,920	7/1/16	6/30/17			96,638	(141,920)			(45,282)		
I.D.E.A. Part B Basic Carryover	84.027		IDEA - 6080 - 16	130,408	7/1/15	6/30/16	(19,325)		19,325						
I.D.E.A. Preschool	84.173		IDEA - 6080 - 17	6,538	7/1/16	6/30/17			3,632	(6,538)			(2,906)		
Total Individuals with Disabilities Cluster						-	(19,325)		119,595	(148,458)			(48, 188)		
Total Special Revenue Fund							(19,325)		395,507	(519,638)			(143,456)		
U.S. Department of Agriculture Passed-through State Department of Agriculture															
Enterprise Fund: School Breakfast Program	10 553	171N.1304N1099	Δ/Ν	75 390	7/1/16	6/30/17			68 722	(75 390)			(6,668)		
School Breakfast Program	10.553	16161N.1304N1099	Y/A	61.551	7/1/15	6/30/16	(3.711)		3.711	(analas)			(200(2)		
National School Lunch Program	10.555	171NJ304N1099	Z/X	351,975	2/1/16	6/30/17	()		320,846	(351,975)			(31.129)		
National School Lunch Program	10.555	16161NJ304N1099	N/A	291,831	7/1/15	6/30/16	(19.746)		19,746						
National School Snack Program	10.558	171NJ304N1099	N/A	25,622	7/1/16	6/30/17			24,696	(25,622)			(956)		
National School Snack Program Carryover	10.558	16161NJ304N1099	N/A	30,352	7/1/15	6/30/16	(1,424)		1,424						
Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Program	10.582	171NJ304L1603	₹X	25.738	7/1/16	6/30/17			23,736	(25.738)			(2.002)		
Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Program Carryover	10.582	16161NJ304L1603	N/A	29,365	7/1/15	6/30/16	(6,961)		6,961						
Total Enterprise Find							(31 842)		469 842	(478 725)	•	•	(40 725)		
						l	(1.01.0)			(2)			(2011)		

Total Federal Financial Awards

- \$ (184,181) \$

- \$ 865,349 \$ (998,363) \$

(51,167) \$

The accompanying Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

PASSAIC ARTS AND SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

				1	Balance at.	Balance at June 30, 2016						Balance at June 30, 2017	, 2017	J	MEMO	
	Grant or	Program or	ď	Deriod	Revenue (Accounts	e e	Carryover/	Cash	Rudgebay	Adjustments/ Repayment of Prior Year's	(Accounts	Deferred Revenue/ Interfund	Ç Q	100 E		Cumulative Total
State Grantor/Program Title	Number	Amount	From	10	Receivable)	Grantor	Amount	2	Expenditures	Balance	Receivable)		Grantor	Receivable	 	Expenditures
State Department of Education General Fund: State dirk-Debits Cluster																
Equalization Aid	17-495-034-5120-078	\$ 8,434,260	7/1/16	6/30/17		· •	€9	8,356,933	33 \$ (8,434,260)	· 69	\$ (77,327)	- \$ (22)	•	2 \$ *	77,327 \$	8,434,260
Special Education Categorical Aid	17-495-034-5120-089	148,613	7/1/16	6/30/17				148,								148,613
Adjustment Aid	17-495-034-5120-085	590,367	7/1/16	6/30/17				590,367								590,367
Total State Aid-Public Cluster								9,413,008			(77,	(77,227)			77,327	9,490,335
Other State Aid	17-495-034-5120-078	13,995	7/1/16	6/30/17				13,995						•		13,995
TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Contributions	17-495-034-5094-001	246,330	7/1/16	6/30/17				246,	330 (246,330)					*		246,330
Pension Benefit Contributions Normal Costs	17-495-034-5094-002	295,634	7/1/16	6/30/17				295,634						*		295,634
Long Term Disability Isurance Contributions	17-495-034-5095-004	3,841	7/1/16	6/30/17				e de	•			1			,	3,841
Reimbursed IPAF - Social Security	17-495-034-5095-002	279,323	7/1/16	6/30/17	(A17 AC)			252,402	402 (279,323) 714		(26,	(26,921)			26,921	279,323
Velillouised ITAT - Godal Georgia	700-0600-4-00-64-01	202,500	01/1/	01/00/0	(417,02)			,02	±							
Total General Fund				1	(26,714)			10,251,924	24 (10,329,458)		(104,248)			10	104,248	10,329,458
State Department of Agriculture Enterprise Fund:														٠.		
National School Lunch Program (State Share) National School Lunch Program (State Share)	17-100-010-3350-023 16-100-010-3350-023	6,648 5,678	7/1/16	6/30/17	(382)			9'9	6,062 (6,648) 382		9)	(586)		* *	586	6,648
Total Enterprise Fund				ļ	(382)	•		6,4	6,444 (6,648)		(5)	(586)	·	* .	586	6,648
Total All Funds				**	\$ (27,096)	· &	₩	. \$ 10,258,368	68 \$ (10,336,106)	٠ ج	\$ (104,834)	34) \$ -	· •	\$ 10	104,834 \$	10,336,106
State Financial Assistance Not Subject To Major Program Determination: Geograf Einste.																
On-Behalf TPAF PRM Contributions On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contributions	17-495-034-5094-001 17-495-034-5094-002	\$ 246,330	7/1/16	6/30/17	· ·	· ·	€9	(246,330)	30) \$ 246,330 34) 295,634	· ·	€9	 €9	· · ·	↔	↔	246,330 295,634
On-Benair I PAF L I DI Contributions	17-495-034-5095-004	3,841	91/1//	11/05/9				- (545,805)								3,841

Total State Financial Assistance Subject to Single Audit

\$ 104,834 \$ 10,881,911

. \$ (104,834) \$

- \$ 9,712,563 \$ (9,790,301) \$

\$ (27,096) \$

Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance
June 30, 2017

NOTE 1. GENERAL

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance include federal and state award activity of the Board of Trustees, Passaic Arts and Science Charter School. The Board of Trustees is defined in Note 1 to the board's basic financial statements. All federal and state awards received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as federal awards and state financial assistance passed through other government agencies is included on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance.

NOTE 2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of awards and financial assistance are presented on the budgetary basis of accounting with the exception of programs recorded in the food service fund, which are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. These basis of accounting are described in Note 1 to the board's basic financial statements. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 CFR 200 – *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* and the New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, "Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants, and State Aid". Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

NOTE 3. RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The basic financial statements present the general fund and special revenue fund on a GAAP basis. Budgetary comparison statements or schedules (RSI) are presented for the general fund and special revenue fund to demonstrate finance-related legal compliance in which certain revenue is permitted by law or grant agreement to be recognized in the audit year, whereas for GAAP reporting, revenue is not recognized until the subsequent year or when expenditures have been made.

The general fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on the modified accrual basis with the exception of the revenue recognition of the one or more deferred June state aid payments in the current budget year, which is mandated pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 18A:22-44.2. For GAAP purposes payments are not recognized until the subsequent budget year due to the state deferral and recording of the one or more June state aid payments in the subsequent year. The special revenue fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on the grant accounting budgetary basis which recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenues, whereas the GAAP basis does not. The special revenue fund also recognizes the one or more June state aid payment in the current budget year, consistent with *N.J.S.A.* 18A:22-44.2.

Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance
June 30, 2017

NOTE 3. RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

The net adjustment to reconcile from the budgetary basis to the GAAP basis is none for the general fund and none for the special revenue fund. See Notes to the Required Supplementary Information for a reconciliation of the budgetary basis to the modified accrual basis of accounting for the general and special revenue funds. Awards and financial assistance revenues are reported in the board's basic financial statements on a GAAP basis as presented below:

	<u>Federal</u>	 State	Total
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 10,329,458	\$ 10,329,458
Special Revenue Fund	519,638		519,638
Food Service Fund	478,725	 6,648	 485,373
Total Awards & Financial Assistance	\$ 998,363	\$ 10,336,106	\$ 11,334,469

NOTE 4. RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL REPORTS

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules agree with the amounts reported in the related federal and state financial reports.

NOTE 5. FEDERAL AND STATE LOANS OUTSTANDING

Passaic Arts and Science Charter School has no loan balances outstanding at June 30, 2017.

NOTE 6. OTHER INFORMATION

Revenues and expenditures reported under the Food Distribution Program represent current year value received and current year distributions respectively. The amount reported as TPAF Pension Contributions, TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Benefits Contributions and TPAF Long-Term Disability Insurance represents the amount paid by the state on behalf of the Charter School for the year ended June 30, 2017. TPAF Social Security Contributions represents the amount reimbursed by the state for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members for the year ended June 30, 2017.

Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance
June 30, 2017

NOTE 7. ON-BEHALF PROGRAMS NOT SUBJECT TO STATE SINGLE AUDIT

On-behalf State Programs for TPAF Pension and Post-Retirement Medical Benefits Contributions payments are not subject to a State single audit and, therefore, are excluded from major program determination. The Schedule of State Financial Assistance provides a reconciliation of State financial assistance reported in the Charter School's basic financial statements and the amount subject to State single audit and major program determination.

NOTE 8. SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAM FUNDS

Schoolwide programs are not separate federal programs as defined in *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements of Federal Awards;* amounts used in schoolwide programs are included in the total expenditures of the program contributing the funds in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. The following funds by program are included in schoolwide programs in the charter school.

Program	Total
Title I, Part A: Grants to Local Education Agencies	\$ 357,309
Title II, Part A: Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting	2,436
Title III: English Language Acquisition	11,435
Total	\$ 371,180

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Section I – Sun	nmary of Auditor's R	esults	
Financial Statements Type of auditors' report issued on financial sta	atements		<u>Unmodified</u>
Internal control over financial reporting: 1) Material weakness(es) identified?		Yes	<u>X</u> No
2) Significant deficiencies identified that are be material weaknesses?	not considered to	Yes	None X Reported
Noncompliance material to basic financial state noted?	tements	Yes	X No
Federal Awards Internal control over major programs: 1) Material weakness(es) identified?		Yes	X No
2) Significant deficiencies identified that are be material weaknesses?	not considered to	Yes	None X Reported
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance	for major programs		<u>Unmodified</u>
Any audit findings disclosed that are required accordance with Uniform Guidance?	to be reported in	Yes	X No
Identification of major federal programs:			
CFDA Number(s)	Name of Fed	deral Program or	Cluster
<u>84.010</u>		Γitle I Part Α	
	CHILD NUTRITI	ONAL PROGRAM	M CLUSTER:
10.555/10.553	National School Lu	unch/School Break	kfast Programs
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type B programs:	Гуре A and		\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		X Yes	No

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results (Continued)

State Awards			
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type B programs:	ype A and		\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		_ <u>X</u> _ Yes	No
Internal control over major programs:			
1) Material weakness(es) identified?		Yes	<u>X</u> No
2) Significant deficiencies identified that are in be material weaknesses?	not considered to	Yes	None <u>X</u> Reported
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance	for major programs		<u>Unmodified</u>
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to accordance with NJ Circular 15-08-OMB, as		Yes	X No
Identification of major state programs:			
GMIS Number(s)	Nam	e of State Progr	am
	STATE AI	D – PUBLIC CLU	JSTER:
17-495-034-5120-078	<u>E</u>	Equalization Aid	
17-495-034-5120-089	Special E	ducation Categor	ical Aid
17-495-034-5120-084		Security Aid	
17-495-034-5120-085	Ad	djustment Aid	

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as Prepared by Management For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

The section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, fraud, illegal acts, violations of provisions of contracts and grant agreements, and abuse related to the basic financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and with audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Administration and Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey.

No Current Year Findings

Section III – Federal and State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, related to the audit of major federal and state programs, as required by U.S. Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB's Circular Letter 15-08.

CURRENT YEAR FEDERAL AWARDS

No Current Year Findings

CURRENT YEAR STATE AWARDS

No Current Year Findings

Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

STATUS OF PRIOR-YEAR FINDINGS

This section identifies the status of prior-year findings related to the basic financial statements and federal and state awards that are required to be reported in accordance with U.S. Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB's Circular 15-08, as amended.

NONE