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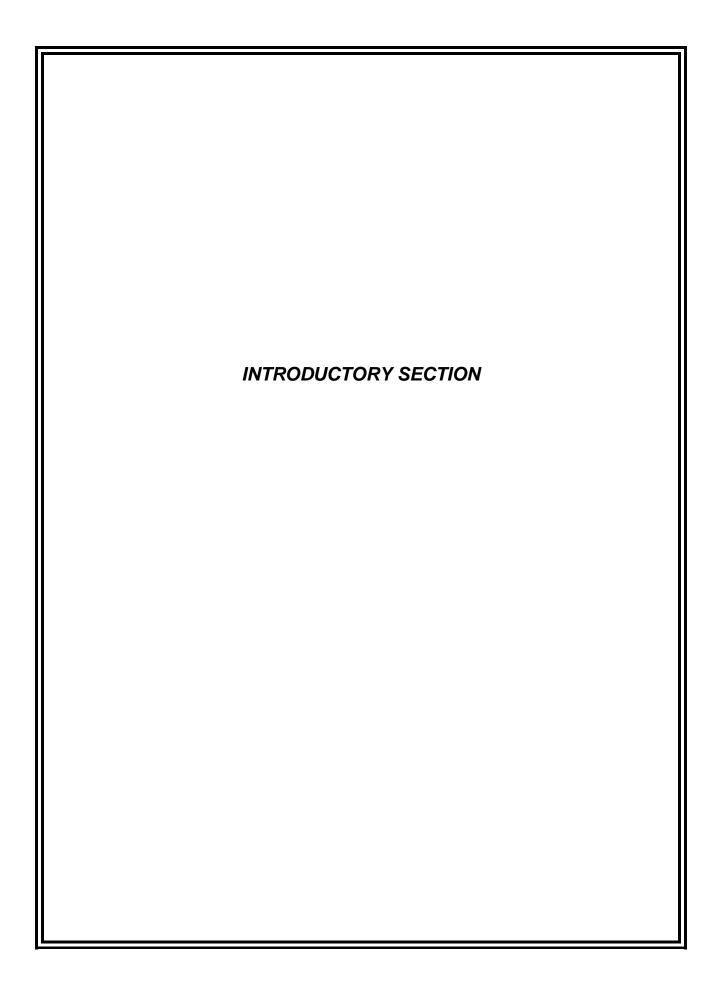
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FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL 1000 ATLANTIC AVE CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY 08104

January 25, 2019

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Freedom Prep Charter School Camden, New Jersey

Dear Board Members:

The comprehensive annual financial report of Freedom Prep Charter School (Charter School) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, 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. 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 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. 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 7 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 Chief School Administrator is the chief executive officer of the Charter School, responsible to the Board for total educational and support operations. The 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. <u>REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES</u>: Freedom Prep Charter School is an independent reporting entity within the criteria adopted by the Government Auditing Standards Board (GASB) as established by Statement No. 14, *The Financial Entity*. All funds and account groups of the school are included in this report. Freedom Prep Charter School, Board of Trustees, constitutes the Charter School's reporting entity.

School Descriptions

Startup: The Charter School began operating in the 2004-2005 school year with student enrolled in fifth grade. In 2017-2018, the Charter School served students in grades K-12.

Address: In 2017-2018, the Charter School was located at 1000 Atlantic Ave, Camden New Jersey 08104.

Facility: In 2017-2018, the Charter School occupied parts of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Floors of the Virtua Health facility located at the aforementioned address, previously occupied by D.U.E. Season Charter School.

Number of Students, Grades, and Classes: The Charter School was authorized to serve a maximum enrollment of 1,020 students in 2017-2018 in grades K-12. Freedom Prep Charter School ended the 2017-2018 school year with an enrollment of 843 students. The following details the student enrollment of the Charter School last year:

- Total Unique Students Enrolled During 2017-2018 = 1036
- Average Daily Attendance = 778
- Average Daily Enrollment = 836

Class Size: Class size if approximately 27 students per class.

Employees: The Charter School employed 3 Principals, 1 Business Administrator, 1 Charter Systems Manager, 3 Family Support Professionals, 74 full-time teachers, 3 Operations Managers, 6 Operations Associates, 4 Social Workers, 7 DREAM Coaches, 6 ELL teachers, 13 Special Education teachers, 2 full-time Custodians.

Defining Attributes: The Charter School provides an exceptional alternative for students and families otherwise slated to attend schools that too often do not meet their needs. Freedom Prep embodies a refined *no excuses* approach. In addition to incorporating the traditional attributes that researchers have proven to be correlated with improved student learning outcomes – extended

REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES (CONTINUED)

school days and years, rigorous college-prep academics, ongoing use of data to inform instructional decisions and resource allocation, consistent cultural and academic expectations, and exceptional talent at all levels – Freedom Prep is unique in its commitment to three other key design elements: a commitment to educating all students, in all subjects in all grades; authentic civic leadership and engagement; and operating on public funds.

Community/Organizational Affiliation: Freedom Prep is affiliated with Democracy Prep Public Schools.

2. REVIEW OF SCHOOL GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Board of Trustees

Major Accomplishments

- ➤ The school added 12th Grade, and graduated it's first class with all graduates being accepted into four year colleges.
- ➤ In 2017-2018 FP expanded it's leadership team using those who were trained in the DPPS Leader U program.

Board Members

The Charter School is governed by an independent nonprofit Board of Trustees. The following Chart identifies trustees who served during the 2017-2018 year.

Trusteed	Dates of Service (during FY17)	Role	Voting/Non-Voting
Keisha Usher-Martin	7/1/17– 6/30/18	President	Voting
Christopher Lessard	7/1/17– 11/30/18	Secretary	Non-Voting
Sean McGrew	7/1/17– 6/30/18	Member	Voting
Amanda Vega	7/1/17- 6/30/18	Member	Voting
Carole Kraemer	7/1/17– 6/30/18	Member	Voting
Tighe Burns	7/1/17– 6/30/18	Member	Voting
Tomas Varela	3/1/18 – 6/30/18	Member	Voting

Board Training

Current trustees have completed the required workshops for NJ School Board members.

REVIEW OF SCHOOL GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS (CONTINUED)

Anticipated Issues:

- Staffing: Placing the highest caliber adults stand in front of Freedom Prep's scholars on a daily basis is the single most important factor in ensuring their academic success. As enrollment levels off, our focus shifts from finding a high quantity of individuals to fill our growing openings to focusing more on filling the fewer number of vacancies with high-quality professionals. Recruiting a team of mission-aligned professionals who will push scholars to succeed in a college of their choice and a life of active citizenship is always challenging given the significant amount of sacrifice and work we expect from every staff member. This is a particular focus for our Special Education and STEM educators.
- ❖ Enrollment: With the influx of numerous other providers in Camden, families have a multitude of options available to them. While this is a great asset to the families of Camden, it makes it difficult for us to project enrollment figures moving forward in such an environment where there are more seats being offered by all providers than there are children in the city to fill them. We continue to reach out to families and have an established core student body, but future expansion is difficult to predict/project based on demand and limited space constraints.
- ❖ <u>PARCC</u>: PARCC performance for 2017-2018 improved modestly over the prior year. The scores did not grow in the way we were hoping for them to and we must find a way to move more scholars' scores here.
- ❖ <u>Bilingual Programming and Support:</u> FP has a growing population of ELL and bilingual students. The school needs to continue to grow in our work with these populations and develop more programs for these scholars.
- 3. <u>INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS</u>: Management of the Charter School is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control 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). Internal control 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;
- (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 responsible for ensuring that an adequate internal controls are in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to those programs. Internal control is also subject to periodic evaluation by the Board.

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.

INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS (CONTINUED)

- **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 approved by the voters of the municipality. 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 cancelled or are included as reappropriations of fund balance in the subsequent year. Those amounts to be reappropriated are reported as reservations of fund balance at June 30, 2018.
- **5. ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND REPORT:** The Charter School's accounting records reflect generally accepted accounting principles as promulgated by the GASB. The accounting system of the School is organized on the basis of funds and account groups. These funds and account groups are explained in Note 1 to the financial statements.
- **CASH MANAGEMENT:** The investment policy of the Charter School is guided in large part by state statute as detailed in "Notes to Basic 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 deposit 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 Board carries various forms of insurance, including but not limited to general liability, hazard and theft insurance on property and contents, fidelity bonds, and workmen's compensation.

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, Certified Public Accountants, was selected by the Board of Trustees. In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in State statutes, the audit also was designed to meet the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and the New Jersey Circular 15-08 OMB State Aid/Grant Compliance Supplement. The auditors' 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. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS: We would like to express our appreciation to the members of Freedom Prep Charter School Board of Trustees for their concerns in providing fiscal accountability to the citizens and taxpayers of the participating 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 business office staff.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Lessard

School Business Administrator

Keisha Usher-Martin Board President

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FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY

ROSTER OF OFFICIALS JUNE 30, 2018

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES POSITION

Keisha Usher-Martin President

Sean McGrew Treasurer

Amanda Vega Member

Tighe Burns Member

Carole Kraemer Member

Mamie Doyle Member

OTHER OFFICIALS

Margaret Marrer Chief School Administrator

Christopher Lessard School Business Admin

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY

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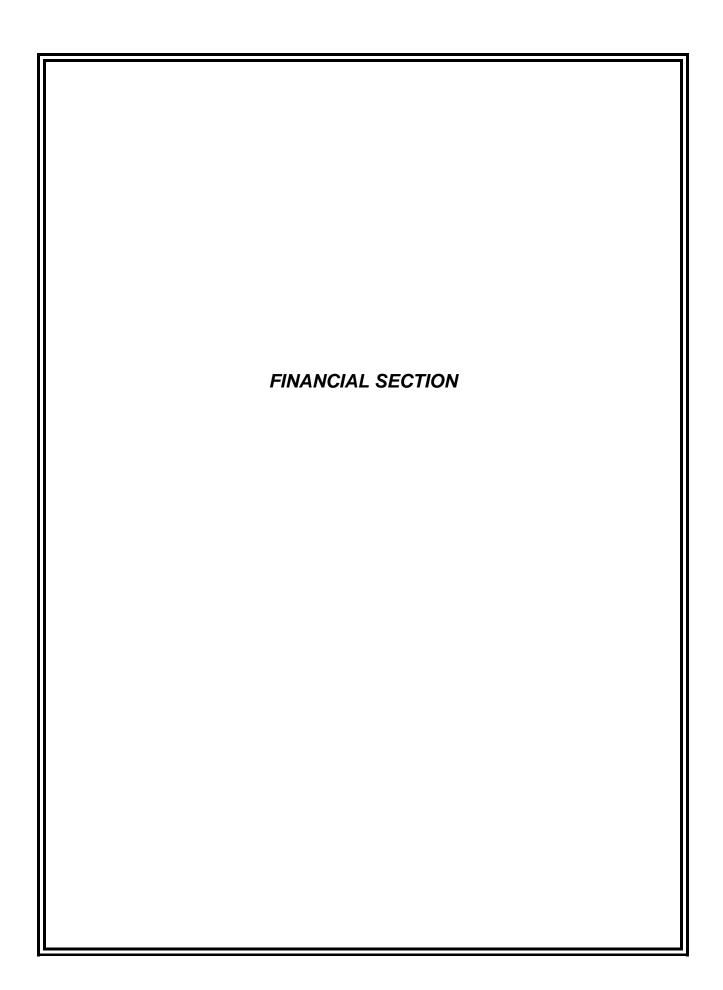
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Independent Auditor's Report

Honorable President
Members of the Board of Trustees
Freedom Prep Charter School
County of Camden
Camden, New Jersey

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 Freedom Prep Charter School (Charter School), in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, 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 Freedom Prep Charter School, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of June 30, 2018, 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.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 8 to the basic financial statements, the Charter School implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, following this report, and pension and postemployment benefit schedules in Exhibits L-1 through L-3, and M-1, and the related notes be presented to supplement the basic financial statements and budgetary comparison information in Exhibits C-1 though C-3 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 fund financial statements and schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance, as required by 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 respectively; and the 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 non-major 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 nonmajor 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*, we have also issued our report dated January 25, 2019 on our consideration of the Freedom Prep 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 control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards and the Division of Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey* in considering the Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Certified Public Accountants

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Richard M. Barre

Licensed Public School Accountant

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January 25, 2019

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART I

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 UNAUDITED

The discussion and analysis of Freedom Prep Charter School's financial performance provides an overall review of the Charter School's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. 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.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2018 are as follows:

- ❖ General revenues accounted for \$17,302,039 or 95% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and operating grants and contributions accounted for \$852,946 or 5% of total revenues of \$18,154,985.
- ❖ The Charter School had \$18,894,453 in expenses; only \$852,946 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues of \$17,302,039 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among governmental funds, the General Fund had \$14,090,417 in revenues and \$14,090,417 in expenditures. The General Fund's fund balance decreased by \$0 over 2017. This decrease 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 Freedom Prep 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 Freedom Prep Charter School, the General Fund is by far the most significant fund.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 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 2018?" 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 has 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 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 Activity This service is 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 transactions. The Charter School's governmental funds are the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 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.

Proprietary 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 38 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 (Deficit) were \$ (373,283) on June 30, 2018 and \$ 366,185 on June 30, 2017.

Governmental Activities

The Charter School's total revenues were \$17,301,991 for 2018 and \$14,429,243 for 2017, this includes \$371,060 for 2018 and \$296,935 for 2017 of state reimbursed TPAF social security contributions.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 UNAUDITED (CONTINUED)

Governmental Activities (Continued)

The total cost of all program and services were \$18,048,272 for 2018 and \$14,559,166 for 2017. Instruction comprises 38% for 2018 and 34% for 2017 of Charter School expenses.

The *Statement of Activities* shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the Charter School's taxpayers by each of these functions.

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) were comprised of charges for services and federal and state reimbursements.

- ❖ Revenues exceeded expenses by \$6,813 for 2018 and expenses exceeded revenues by \$196,762 for 2017.
- ❖ There were \$0 charges for services for 2018 and \$529 for 2017. This represents amounts paid by patrons for daily food.
- ❖ Federal and state reimbursements for meals, including payments for free and reduced lunches and breakfast, and state snack program were \$852,946 for 2018 and \$793,981 for 2017.

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 \$17,301,991 and expenditures were \$15,592,282. The net change in fund balance for the year was most significant in the general fund, an decrease of \$0.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 UNAUDITED (CONTINUED)

The Charter School's Funds

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, 2018, and the amount and percentage of increases and decreases in relation to prior year revenues.

Revenues	Amount	Percent of Total	Increase/ (Decrease) From 2017	Percent of Increase/ (Decrease)
Local Sources State Sources Federal Sources	\$ 696,489 13,393,928 1,501,865	4.47% 85.89% 9.63%	\$ (791,862) 1,751,910 1,501,865	-53.20% 15.05% 0.00%
Total	\$ 15,592,282	99.99%	\$ 2,461,913	

The following schedule represents a summary of general fund and special revenue fund expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, and the amount and percentage of decreases in relation to prior year amounts.

Expenditures	Amount	Percent of Total		Increase/ (Decrease) From 2017	Percent of Increase/ (Decrease)
Instruction Administration Support Services Capital Outlay	\$ 6,306,159 6,031,211 3,254,912	40.44% 38.68% 20.88% 0.00%)	981,066 1,262,938 242,232 (360,096)	18.42% 26.49% 8.04% -100.00%
Total	\$ 15,592,282	100.00%	\$	2,126,140	

Changes in expenditures were the results of varying factors.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 UNAUDITED (CONTINUED)

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 in accordance with state regulations. Revisions in the budget were made to recognize revenues that were not anticipated and to prevent over-expenditures in specific line item accounts.

Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)

The Charter School has \$0 invested in capital assets (net) for 2018 and \$0 for 2017.

For the Future

The Freedom Prep 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, the Freedom Prep Charter School has committed itself to financial excellence 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, Christopher Lessard School Board Administrator at Freedom Prep Charter School, 1000 Atlantic Ave, Camden, New Jersey 08104.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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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.

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL

Statement of Net Position June 30, 2018

ASSETS:	 vernmental Activities	siness-Type Activities	 Total
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,648,690	\$ 199,185	\$ 1,847,875
Interfund Receivables	265,318		265,318
Receivables	1,460,632	150,351	1,610,983
Prepaid Expenses	165,331		165,331
Capital Assets, Net	 	 32,201	 32,201
Total Assets	 3,539,971	 381,737	3,921,708
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
Pensions	 4,838,957		4,838,957
Deferred Outflows of Resources	 4,838,957	 	 4,838,957
LIABILITIES:			
Cash Overdraft	357,551		357,551
Interfund Payable	249,120	2,166	251,286
Payable to State Government	50,000		50,000
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expense Noncurrent Liabilities:	1,540,930	37,952	1,578,882
Net Pension Liability	 5,666,136	 	 5,666,136
Total Liabilities	 7,863,737	 40,118	7,903,855
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
Pensions	 1,230,093	 	 1,230,093
Deferred Inflows of Resources	 1,230,093	 	 1,230,093
NET POSITION:			
Unrestricted	 (714,902)	341,619	 (373,283)
Total Net Position	\$ (714,902)	\$ 341,619	\$ (373,283)

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

(373,283)

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(714,902)

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Net Position - Ending

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL

Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

				Program Revenues	Se		Net Revenue	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes In Net Position	10
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Indirect Expenses Allocation	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities	Total
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES: Instruction	\$ 6,306,159	\$ 580,675			↔	\$ (6,886,834)	834) \$	ı	\$ (6,886,834)
Administration Support Services	7,500,322 3,254,912	242,144 164,060				(7,742,466) (3,418,972)	466) 972)		(7,742,466) (3,418,972)
Total Governmental Activities	17,061,393	\$ 986,879				(18,048,272)	272)		(18,048,272)
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES: Food Service	846,181			852,946				6,765	6,765
Total Business-Type Activities	846,181		1	852,946				6,765	6,765
Total Primary Government	\$ 17,907,574		· \$	\$ 852,946	· \$	\$ (18,048,272)	272) \$	6,765	\$ (18,041,507)
			GENERAL REVENUES General Purposes	/ENUES		\$ 531,560	\$ 290		\$ 531,560
			Federal and S	Federal and State Aid Not Restricted	ricted	16,357,388	388		16,357,388
			Investment Income Miscellaneous Income	some		432 412 611	432 611	48	432 412 659
			Total Gene	Total General Revenues		17,301,991	991	48	17,302,039
			Change in Net Position	t Position		(746,281)	281)	6,813	(739,468)
			Net Position -	Net Position - Beginning of Year	_	31,	31,379	334,806	366,185

SECTION B – FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL

Governmental Funds Balance Sheet June 30, 2018

ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents Interfund Receivables Receivables from Other Governments	\$ General Fund 1,648,690 265,318 414,222	Special Revenue Fund - 907,109	\$ Total 1,648,690 265,318 1,321,331
Prepaid Expenses Other Receivables	 165,331 116,321	 22,980	 165,331 139,301
Total Assets	\$ 2,609,882	\$ 930,089	\$ 3,539,971
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES: Liabilities: Cash Overdraft Interfund Payables Payables to State Government Payable to District Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	\$ 50,000 464,526 752,986	\$ 357,551 249,120 323,418	\$ 357,551 249,120 50,000 464,526 1,076,404
Total Liabilities	 1,267,512	 930,089	 2,197,601
Fund Balances: Unassigned:			
General Fund	 1,342,370	 	 1,342,370
Total Fund Balances	 1,342,370	 	1,342,370
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 2,609,882	\$ 930,089	

Amounts reported for *governmental activities* in the statement of net position (A-1) are different because:

Net pension liability of \$5,666,136, deferred inflows of resources of \$1,230,093 less deferred outflows of resources of \$4,838,957 related to pensions are not reported in the governmental funds

(2,057,272)

Net Position of Governmental Activities

\$ (714,902)

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

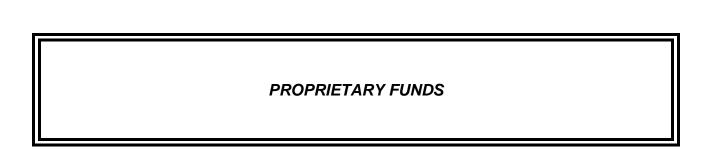
Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

		General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Total
REVENUES:				
Local Sources:	_			
Local Tax Levy	\$	531,560	\$ -	\$ 531,560
Interest on Investments		432		432
Miscellaneous		164,497	154,625	319,122
Total Local Sources		696,489	154,625	851,114
State Sources		13,393,928		13,393,928
Federal Sources		10,000,020	1,347,240	1,347,240
r ederal oddrees			 1,547,240	1,577,240
Total Revenues		14,090,417	 1,501,865	 15,592,282
EXPENDITURES:				
Instruction		E 446 006	000 000	6 206 450
instruction		5,416,236	889,923	6,306,159
Administration		6,031,211		6,031,211
Administration		0,031,211		0,031,211
Support Services		2,642,970	611,942	3,254,912
Total Expenditures		14,090,417	 1,501,865	 15,592,282
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		-	-	-
FUND BALANCES, JULY 1		1,342,370	 	 1,342,370
	·			
FUND BALANCES, JUNE 30	\$	1,342,370	\$ 	\$ 1,342,370

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, 2018

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds (B-2)	\$ -
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (A-2) are different because:	
Pension costs associated with the PERS pension plan are reported in the governmental funds as expenditures in the year the school pension contribution is paid. However, on the statement of activities, the net difference between the current and prior year net pension liability is recognized	 (746,281)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ (746,281)



Proprietary Fund Statement of Fund Net Position June 30, 2018

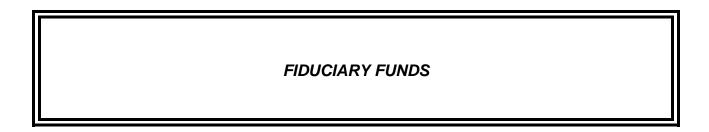
	<i>P</i>	iness-Type Activities od Service
ASSETS:		_
Current Assets: Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	199,185
Due From Other Funds Intergovernmental Accounts Receivable:	Ψ	199,100
Federal		148,933
State		1,418
Total Current Assets		349,536
Noncurrent Assets:		
Machinery and Equipment		48,021
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(15,820)
Total Noncurrent Assets		32,201
Total Assets		381,737
LIABILITIES:		
Liabilities:		
Current Liabilities:		
Interfund Accounts Payable		2,166
Accounts Payable		37,952
Total Current Liabilities		40,118
Total Liabilities		40,118
NET ASSETS:		
Unreserved Net Position		341,619
Total Net Position	\$	341,619
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$	381,737

Proprietary Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

	Business-Type Activities Food Service
OPERATING REVENUES:	
Charges for Services:	
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 48
Total Operating Revenues	48
OPERATING EXPENSES:	
Salaries	187,408
Management Fees	25,750
Clean, Repair and Maintenance Service	21,309
Supplies and Materials	27,437
Depreciation Expense	5,875
Cost of Sales- Reimbursable Programs	367,960
Miscellaneous Expenses	32,693
Facilities Expense	177,749
Total Operating Expenses	846,181
OPERATING LOSS	(846,133)
NONOPERATING REVENUES:	
State Source: State School Lunch Program Federal Source:	8,042
National School Lunch Program	475,198
National School Breakfast Program	261,585
Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act	8,761
After School Snacks Program	99,360
Total Nonoperating Revenues	852,946
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	6,813
TOTAL NET POSITION, JULY 1	334,806
TOTAL NET POSITION, JUNE 30	\$ 341,619

Proprietary Fund Statement of Cash Flows For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

		siness-Type Activities
	Fo	od Service
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Cash Received from Customers Cash Payments to Suppliers and Employees	\$	48 (865,067)
Net Cash Used In Operating Activities		(865,019)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Cash Received From State And Federal Reimbursements		744,488
Net Cash Provided By Noncapital Financing Activities		744,488
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Acquisition And Construction Of Capital Assets		(6,389)
		(0,369)
Net Cash Used For Capital And Related Financing Activities		(6,389)
Net Increase (Decrease) In Cash And Cash Equivalents		(126,920)
Cash And Cash Equivalents, Beginning Of Year		326,105
Cash And Cash Equivalents, End Of Year	\$	199,185
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:		
Operating Loss Used In Operating Activities Depreciation	\$	(846,133) 5,875
Change In Assets And Liabilities: (Increase) Decrease In Due From Other Funds Increase In Interfund Payable Increase In Accounts Payable		7,723 (39,726) 7,242
Net Cash Used In Operating Activities	\$	(865,019)



Fiduciary Funds Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2018

	Unemployment Compensation Insurance		Payroll Agency		Net Payroll		Student Activities		Total Agency Fund	
ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	3,752	\$ 53,262	\$	2,969	\$	571	\$	56,802	
Total Assets		3,752	\$ 53,262	\$	2,969	\$	571	\$	56,802	
LIABILITIES: Interfund Accounts Payable Accounts Payable Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Due to Student Groups	\$	4,187	11,063 - 42,199		2,969 - -		- - - 571	\$	14,032 - 42,199 571	
Total Liabilities		4,187	\$ 53,262	\$	2,969	\$	571	\$	56,802	
NET POSITION: Unreserved		(435)								
Total Net Position	\$	(435)								

Fiduciary Funds
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

	Unemployment Compensation Insurance
ADDITIONS: Contributions: Employee	\$ 33,074
Total Additions	33,074
DEDUCTIONS: Unemployment Claims Paid	31,676
Total Deductions	31,676
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	1,398
NET POSITION, JULY 1	(1,833)
NET POSITION, JUNE 30	\$ (435)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Board of Trustees (Board) of Freedom Prep Charter School (the "Charter School") have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The following is a summary of more significant accounting policies.

For fiscal year 2016, 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.

A. Reporting Entity

The Charter School is an instrumentality of the State of New Jersey, established to function as an educational institution. The school is governed by an independent Board of Trustees, which consists of parents, founders and other community representatives in accordance with its charter, which was appointed by the State Department of Education. An administrator is appointed by the board and is responsible for the administrative control of the Charter School.

B. Component Units

The primary criterion for including activities within the Charter School's reporting entity as a component unit, as set forth in Section 2100 of the GASB *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*, is whether:

- the organization is legally separate (can sue or be sued in their own name)
- the Charter School holds the corporate powers of the organization
- the Charter School appoints a voting majority of the organization's board
- the charter school is able to impose its will on the organization
- the organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the School
- there is a fiscal dependency by the organization on the Charter School

Based on the aforementioned criteria, the Charter School has no component Units.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. <u>Measurement Focus</u>, <u>Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement</u> Presentation

<u>Charter School-Wide Financial Statements</u> – The governmental 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 when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirement imposed by the provider have been met.

<u>Governmental Fund Financial Statements</u> – The Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenue considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Charter School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year-end. Principal revenue sources considered susceptible to accrual include federal and state grants, and interest on investments.

Other revenues are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the state.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

D. Charter School-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The charter school-wide financial statements (the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information of all of the non-fiduciary activities of the Charter School. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these charter school-wide statements. Charter School activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function, segment or component unit are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function, segment, or component unit. Program revenues include charges to customers who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods or services provided by a given function, segment or component unit. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues. The Charter school does not allocate general government (indirect) expenses to other functions.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Charter School-Wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

Net position is restricted when constraints placed on them are either externally imposed or are imposed by constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, generally it is the Charter School's policy to use restricted resources first, and then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds. However, the fiduciary funds are not included in the Charter School-side statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

E. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Freedom Prep Charter School are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting to ensure observance of limitations and restrictions on the resources available. The principles of fund accounting require that resources be classified for accounting and reporting purposes into funds or account groups in accordance with activities or objectives specified for the resources. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial The various funds and accounts are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into seven fund types within three broad fund categories and two account groups as follows:

Governmental Funds

<u>General Fund</u> – The general fund is the general operating fund of Freedom Prep Charter School and 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 sub-fund.

As required by the New Jersey Department of Education, Freedom Prep 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 improvement as long as the resources in such cases are derived exclusively from unrestricted revenues. Resources for budgeted capital outlay purposes

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fund Accounting (Continued)

General Fund (Continued)

are normally derived from State of New Jersey Aid, interest earnings and appropriated fund balance. Expenditures are those that 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>Proprietary Funds</u> – The focus of Proprietary Fund measurement is upon determination of net income, financial position and cash flows. The generally accepted accounting principles applicable are those similar to businesses in the private sector. The following is a description of the Proprietary Funds of the Charter School:

Capital Projects Fund: Not Applicable.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u>: Not Applicable.

The Charter School reports the following proprietary funds:

Enterprise (Food Service) Fund: This enterprise fund accounts for all revenues and expenses pertaining to the cafeteria operations. The food service fund is utilized to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The stated intent is that the cost (i.e. expenses including depreciation and indirect costs) of providing goods or services to the students on a continuing basis are financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

Additionally, the Charter School reports the following fund type:

<u>Fiduciary Funds</u> – The Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the Charter School on behalf of others and include unemployment compensation fund, the Net Payroll Account, Payroll Agency Fund, Student Activities and Unemployment Compensation Fund.

<u>Agency Funds</u> – assets held by a governmental entity (either as trustee or as an agent for other parties that cannot be used to finance the governmental entity's own operating programs. The Charter School currently maintains Payroll and Student Activity Funds as Agency Funds.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

F. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements.

Charter School-wide, Proprietary, and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements: The Charter School-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting; the enterprise fund and fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred revenue, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures. The Charter School is entitled to receive monies under the established payment schedule and the unpaid amount is considered to be an "accounts receivable". Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements: Governmental 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. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. 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.

All governmental and business-type activities and enterprise funds of the Charter School follow FASB Statements and Interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins, unless those pronouncements conflict with GASB pronouncements.

G. Budgets/Budgetary Control

Annual appropriated budgets are prepared in the spring of each year for the general and special revenue funds. Budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting except for special revenue funds as described later. The legal level of budgetary control is established at line item accounts within each fund. Line item accounts are defined as the lowest (most specific) level of detail as established pursuant to the minimum chart of accounts referenced in N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.2(m)1. All budget amendments/transfers must be approved by School Board resolution. All budget amounts presented in the accompanying supplementary information reflect the original budget and the amended budget (which have been adjusted for legally authorized revisions of the annual budgets during the year).

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Budgets/Budgetary Control (Continued)

Appropriations, except remaining project appropriations, encumbrances, and unexpended grant appropriations, lapse at the end of each fiscal year. Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the fiscal year. For governmental funds, there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) with the exception of 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.

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 budget, as detailed on Exhibit C-1 and C-2, includes all amendments to the adopted budget, if any.

H. Encumbrances Accounting

Under encumbrance accounting purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of resources are recorded to reserve a portion of the applicable appropriation. Open encumbrances in governmental funds, other than the special revenues fund, are reported as reservations of fund balances at fiscal year-end as they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities but rather commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services.

Open encumbrances in the special revenue fund for which the Charter School has received advances are reflected in the balance sheet as deferred revenues at fiscal year end.

The encumbered appropriation authority carries over into the next fiscal year. An entry will be made at the beginning of the next fiscal year to increase the appropriation reflected in the certified budget by the outstanding encumbrance amount as of the current fiscal year end.

I. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and Cash equivalents include 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. U.S. Treasury and agency obligations and certificates of deposit with maturities of one year or less when purchased are stated at cost.

NOTE 1: <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Cash and Cash Equivalents (Continued)

New Jersey Charter Schools are limited as to the types of investments and types of financial institutions they may invest in. N.J.S.18A:20-37 provides a list of permissible investments that may be purchased by New Jersey Charter Schools. Additionally, the Charter School has adopted a cash management plan that requires it to deposit public 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 Governmental Units from loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 e.t. 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 Act. Public depositories include Savings and Loan institutions, banks (both state and national banks) and savings banks the deposits of which 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.

A. Short-Term Interfund Receivable/Payables

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

B. Capital Assets

The Charter School has established a formal system of accounting for its capital assets. Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. The Charter School does not possess any infrastructure. The capitalization threshold used by Charter Schools in the State of New Jersey is \$2,000.

All reported capital assets except for land are depreciated. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method under the half-year convention over the following estimated useful lives:

	Estimated
Asset Class	Useful Lives
Building Improvements	20
Office & Computer Equipment	5-10

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Capital Assets (continued)

In the fund financial statements, fixed assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition. Fixed assets are not capitalized and related depreciation is not reported in the fund financial statements.

C. <u>Unearned Revenue</u>

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied and is recorded as a liability until the revenue is both measurable and the Charter School is eligible to realize the revenue.

D. Long-Term Obligations

In Charter School-wide financial statements, under governmental activities, long-term debt is recognized as a liability in the general fund as debt is incurred.

E. Fund Balance

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, the Freedom Prep Charter School classifies governmental fund balances as follows:

- Non-spendable includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because legal or contractual constraints.
- Restricted includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by external parties, constitutional provision or enabling legislation.
- Committed includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision making authority and does not lapse at year-end.
- Assigned includes fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund Balance may be assigned by the Business Administrator.
- <u>Unassigned</u> includes balance within the General Fund which has not been classified within the above mentioned categories and negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fund Balance (Continued)

The Charter School uses restricted/committed amounts to be spent first when both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, unless prohibited by law or regulation. Additionally, the Charter school would first use committed, then assigned and lastly unassigned amounts of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made.

F. Net Position

Net position, represents the difference between summation of assets and deferred outflows of resources, and the summation of liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net Position is classified in the following three components:

- Net Investment in Capital Assets This component represents capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, net of outstanding balances of borrowings used for acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Charter School or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.
- Unrestricted Net position is reported as unrestricted when it does not meet the criteria of the other two components of net position.

G. Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles

During fiscal year 2018, the District adopted the following GASB statements as required:

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.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles (Continued)

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 postemployment benefits (pensions and other postemployment benefits (OPEB)).

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 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.

In March 2018, the GASB issued Statement No. 88, Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements, which is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2018. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve the information that is disclosed in notes to government financial statements related to debt, including direct borrowings and direct placements. It also clarifies which liabilities governments should include when disclosing information related to debt. This Statement defines debt for purposes of disclosure in notes to financial statements as a liability that arises from a contractual obligation to pay cash in one or more payments to settle an amount that is fixed at the date the contractual obligation is established. This Statement requires that additional essential information related to debt be disclosed in notes to financial statements, including unused lines of credit; assets pledged as collateral for the debt; and terms specified in debt agreements related to significant events of default with financerelated consequences, significant termination events with finance-related consequences, and significant subjective acceleration clauses. The School is assessing if GASB 88 will have any impact on its financial statements.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

<u>Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles (Continued)</u>

In June 2018, the GASB issued Statement No. 89, Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period, which is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019. The objectives of this Statement are (1) to enhance the relevance and comparability of information about capital assets and the cost of borrowing for a reporting period and (2) to simplify accounting for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. The School is assessing if GASB 89 will have any impact on its financial statements.

J. Subsequent Events

The Freedom Prep Charter School has evaluated subsequent events occurring after June 30, 2018 through the date of January 25, 2019, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

K. 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 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and cash equivalents includes petty cash, change funds, amounts in deposits, money market accounts and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Investments are stated at cost, or amortized cost, which approximates market. The amortized cost method involves valuing a security at its cost on the date of purchase and thereafter assuming a constant amortization to maturity of any discount or premium. The Board classifies certificates of deposit which have original maturity dates of more than three months but less than twelve months from the date of purchase, as investments.

NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

GASB Statement No. 3 requires disclosure of the level of custodial credit risk assumed by the Board in its cash, cash equivalents and investments. Category 1 includes deposits/investments held by the Board's custodial bank trust department or agent in the Board's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered deposits/investments held by the Board's custodial bank trust department or agent in the Board's name. Category 3 includes uninsured or unregistered deposits/investments held by a broker or dealer, or held by the Board's custodial bank trust department or agent but not in the Board's name. These categories are not broad representations that deposits or investments are "safe" or "unsafe".

Deposits

New Jersey statutes require that Charter Schools deposit public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, or by any other agency of the United States that insures deposits made in public depositories. Charter Schools are also permitted to deposit public funds in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

New Jersey statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed depository insurance limits as follows:

The market value of the collateral must equal at least five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds on deposit.

In addition to the above collateral requirement, if the public funds deposited exceed 75% of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value at least equal to 100% of the amount exceeding 75%.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

Investments

New Jersey statutes permit the Board to purchase the following types of securities:

- a. Bonds or other obligations of the United States or obligations guaranteed by the United States.
- b. Bonds of any Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal National Mortgage Agency or of any United States Bank for Cooperatives which have a maturity date not greater than twelve months from the date of purchase
- c. Bonds or other obligations of the Charter School.

NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Investments (Continued)

As of June 30, 2018, cash and cash equivalents and investments of the Charter School consisted of the following:

	General	Special	Proprietary	Fiduciary	
	Fund	Revenue	Fund	Funds	Total
Operating					
Account	\$1,648,690	\$ -	\$ 199,185	\$ 60,554	\$ 1,908,429

The investments recorded in the Charter School-wide statements have been recorded at amortized cost. In accordance with GASB 31, participating interest earning investment contracts that have a remaining maturity at the time of purchase of one year or less may be reported at amortized cost. For those securities purchased more than one year from the maturity date, the difference between the carrying amount and market value is not material to the Charter School-wide statements. The carrying amount of the Board's cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2018 was \$1,908,429 and the bank balance was \$2,059,033. All bank balances were covered by federal depository insurance and/or covered by a collateral pool maintained by the banks as required by New Jersey statutes.

Risk Category

All bank deposits, as of the balance sheet date, are entirely insured or collateralized by a collateral pool maintained by public depositories as required by the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act. In general, bank deposits are classified as to credit risk by three categories described below:

<u>Category 1</u> — Insured or collateralized with securities held by the Board or by its agent in the Board's name.

<u>Category 2</u> — Collateralized with securities held by the pledging public depository's trust department or agent in the Board's name.

<u>Category 3</u> — Uncollateralized, including any deposits that are collateralized with securities held by the pledging public depository, or by its trust department or agent, but not in the Board's name.

As of June 30, 2018, the Board had funds invested and on deposit in checking accounts. These funds constitute deposits with financial institutions" as defined by GASB Statement No. 3 and are classified as Category 1, both at year-end and throughout the year.

NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

New Jersey Cash Management Fund

All investments in the Fund are governed by the regulations of the Investment Council, which prescribe specific standards designed to insure the quality of investments and to minimize the risks related to investments. In all the years of the Division of Investment's existence, the Division has never suffered a default of principal or interest on any short-term security held by it due to the bankruptcy of a securities issuer; nevertheless, the possibility always exists, and for this reason a reserve is being accumulated as additional protection for the "Other-than-State" participants. In addition to the Council regulations, the Division sets further standards for specific investments and monitors the credit of all eligible securities issuers on a regular basis.

As of June 30, 2018, the Charter School had no funds on deposit with the New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

NOTE 3: RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2018, consisted of accounts (tuition), intergovernmental, grants, and miscellaneous.

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

	Gov	ernmental	Governmental		
		Fund	Wide		
	F	Financial	Financial		
	S	tatements	Statements		
State Aid	\$	116,321	\$	117,739	
Federal Aid		930,089		1,079,022	
Other		414,222		414,222	
Gross Receivables		1,460,632		1,610,983	
Less: Allowance for Uncollectibles		-			
Total Receivables, Net	\$	1,460,632	\$	1,610,983	

NOTE 4: <u>INTERFUND TRANSFERS AND BALANCES</u>

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

The following interfund balances remained on the fund financial statements at June 30, 2018:

	Į:	nterfund	I	nterfund
Fund	Re	eceivable		Payable
General Fund		265,318	\$	-
Special Revenue Fund				249,120
Proprietary Fund				2,166
Fiduciary Fund				14,032
Total	\$	265,318	\$	265,318

NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance		Add	ditions	Retir	Retirements		Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:							'	
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:								
Machinery and Equipment	\$	419,921	\$	-	\$	-	\$	419,921
Totals at Historical Cost		419,921		-		-		419,921
Less Accumulated Depreciation For:								
Machinery and Equipment		419,921		-		-		419,921
Total Accumulated Depreciation		419,921		-		-		419,921
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated,	`							
Net of Accumulated Depreciation		-		-		-		-
Government Activity Capital Assets, Net	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

In January 11, 2001, the New Jersey 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.

Depreciation expense of \$0 was charged to an unallocated function.

NOTE 6: RENTAL LEASE

The Charter School entered into a lease for the rental of a school facility on Atlantic Ave in Camden, New Jersey with Virtua-West Jersey Health Care System for the period of July 8, 2014 to July 8, 2018 for an annual rent of \$1,163,435. The lease has an option for two additional five year terms and includes annual rent increases of 2.5% per renewal year. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 total rent expense amounted to \$1,311,655.

NOTE 7: 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)

<u>Plan Description</u> – 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.

<u>Benefits Provided</u> – 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:

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

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Benefits Provided (continued)

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.

Basis of Presentation

The schedule of employer allocations and the schedule of pension amounts by employer (collectively, the Schedules) present amounts that are considered elements of the financial statements of PERS or its participating employers. Accordingly, they do not purport to be a complete presentation of the financial position or changes in financial position of PERS or the participating employers. The accompanying Schedules were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Such preparation requires management of PERS to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Allocation Methodology and Reconciliation to Financial Statements

GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, requires participating employers in PERS to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources and collective pension expense. The employer allocation percentages presented in the schedule of employer allocations and applied to amounts presented in the schedule of pension amounts by employer are based on the ration of the contributions of an individual employer to the total contributions to PERS during the measurement period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Employer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes, therefore amounts presented in the schedule of pension amounts by employer may result in immaterial differences.

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

<u>Allocation Methodology and Reconciliation to Financial Statements</u> (continued)

Although the Division administers one cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, separate (sub) actuarial valuations are prepared to determine the actuarially determined contribution rate by group. Following this method, the measurement of the collective net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and pension expense are determined separately for each individual employer of the State and local groups of the plan.

To facilitate the separate (sub) actuarial valuations, the Division maintains separate accounts to identify additions, deductions, and fiduciary net position applicable to each group. The allocation percentages presented for each group in the schedule of employer allocations are applied to amounts presented in the schedule of pension amounts by employer. The allocation percentages for each group as of June 30, 2017 are based on the ratio of each employer's contributions to total employer contributions of the group for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

Contributions

The contribution policy for PERS is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. 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 includes 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 2017, the State's pension contribution was less than the actuarial determined amount.

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 the 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. Charter School contributions to PERS amounted to \$ 241,469 for fiscal year 2017.

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

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

At June 30, 2018, the Charter School reported a liability of \$ 5,666,136 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2017. 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, 2017, the Charter School's proportion was \$ 3,028,104 , which was a decrease of from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2016.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, the Charter School recognized pension expense of \$ 241,469 . At June 30, 2017, the Charter School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred related to pensions from the following sources.

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Changes in Assumptions	\$	1,141,531	\$	1,137,346	
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience		133,418			
Changes in Proportion		3,375,714		92,747	
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments		38,583			
	\$	4,689,246	\$	1,230,093	

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

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

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
2018	\$ 133,386
2019	201,283
2020	121,967
2021	(162,217)
2022	(118,234)
	\$ 176,186

Changes in Proportion

The previous amounts do not include employer specific deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to changes in proportion. These amounts should be recognized (amortized) by each employer over the average of the expected remaining service lives of all plan members, which is 5.48, 5.57, 5.72 and 6.44 years for the 2017, 2016, 2015, and 2014 amounts, respectively.

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2017 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2016 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2017. The total pension liability for the June 30, 2017 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuations as of July 1, 2016. This actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement.

Inflation Rate 2.25%

Salary Increases:

2012-2021 1.65-4.15% based on age Thereafter 2.65-5.15% based on age

Investment Rate of Return 7.00%

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Actuarial Assumptions (Continued)

Preretirement Mortality Table for male and female active participants. For State employees, mortality tables are set back 2 years for males and females and addition, the tables provide for future improvements in mortality from the base year of 2013 using a generational approach based on the plan actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combines Healthy male and Female Mortality Tables (set back 1 year for males and females) for service retirements and beneficiaries of former members and a one-year static projection based on mortality improvement Scale AA. In addition, the tables for service retirements and beneficiaries of former members provide for the future improvements in mortality from the base year of 2013 using a generational approach based on the plan actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Disability retirement rated used to value disabled retirees were based on the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table (set back 3 years for males and set forward 1 year for females.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014. It is like 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 plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2017) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investment and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long term expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investments 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 rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2017 are summarized in the following table:

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Long Term Expected Rate of Return (continued)

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Absolute return/risk mitigation	5.00%	5.51%
Cash equivalents	5.50%	1.00%
U.S. Treasuries	3.00%	1.87%
Investment grade credit	10.00%	3.78%
Public High Yield Bonds	2.50%	6.82%
Global diversified credit	5.00%	7.10%
Credit oriented hedge funds	1.00%	6.60%
Debt related private equity	2.00%	10.63%
Debt related real estate	1.00%	6.61%
Private real asset	2.50%	11.83%
Equity related real estate	6.25%	9.23%
U.S. equity	30.00%	8.19%
Non U.S. developed markets equity	11.50%	9.00%
Emerging markets equity	6.50%	11.64%
Buyouts/venture capital	8.25%	13.08%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.00% as of June 30, 2017. The single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investment of 7.00% and a municipal bond rate of 3.58% as of June 30, 2017 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 rates and that contributions from employers will be made based on the contributions rate in the most recent fiscal year. The State employer contributed 40% of the actuarially determined contributions and the local employers contributed 100% of their actuarially determined contributions. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan investments was applied to projected benefit payment through 2040. Therefore the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2040 and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

NOTE 7: 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, 2017 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:

Fiscal	Year End	ded June 30, 201	7			
		1%		Current		1%
	Decrease		Discount Rate		Increase	
	(4.00%)		(5.00%)		(6.00%)	
Charter School's proportionate share of the Net						
Pension Liability	\$	7,029,225	\$	5,666,135	\$	4,530,512
Fiscal	Year End	ded 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	\$	3,710,588	\$	3,028,104	\$	2,464,654

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

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

A. <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.

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

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Benefit Provided (Continued)

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. 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.

Allocation Methodology

GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, requires participating employers in TPAF to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows in resources and collective pension expense excluding that attributable to employer-paid member contributions. The employer and nonemployer allocation percentages presented in the schedule of employer and nonemployer allocations and applied to amounts presented in the schedule of pension amounts by employer and nonemployer are based on the ratio of the State's actual contributions made as an employer and nonemployer adjusted for unpaid early retirement incentives to total contributions to TPAF during the year ended June 30, 2017. Employer and nonemployer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes, therefore amounts presented in the schedule of pension amounts by employer and nonemployer may result in immaterial differences.

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 2017, the State's pension contribution was less than the actuarially determined amount.

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.

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

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Special Funding Situation (Continued)

However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the net pension liability that is associated with the local participating employer was less than the actuarial determined amount. 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 years ended 2018, the State of New Jersey contributed \$58,527 to the TPAF for normal pension benefits on behalf of the Charter School, which is less than the contractually required contribution of \$97,540.

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

As June 30, 2018, the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Charter School was \$ 20,459,453 . The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2016 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2017.

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, 2017, Charter School's proportion was 0.0303448%, which was a decrease of -0.0147438% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2016.

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

Table 1	
Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ -
State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated with the Charter School	20,459,453
Total	\$ 20,459,453

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the State recognized pension expense on behalf of the Charter School in the amount of \$ 97,540 and the Charter School recognized pension expense and revenue for that same amount in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 financial statements.

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

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

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	\$ 13,378,255,364	\$ 11,684,858,458
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	441,116,389	115,381,203
Changes in Proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	192,581,778	192,581,778
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual		
Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	341,507,504	
	\$ 14,353,461,035	\$ 11,992,821,439

The \$ 14,353,461,035 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 \$ 11,992,821,439 reported as a deferred inflow of resources resulting from the difference between projected and actual.

Fiscal Year	
Ending June 30,	Total
2018 2019	\$ 740,341,056 1,175,650,200
2020	983,008,137
2021	551,152,948
2022	624,850,883
Thereafter	(1,714,363,628)
	\$ 2,360,639,596

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Actuarial Assumptions (Continued)

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2017 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2016 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2017. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement.

Inflation Rate 2.25%

Salary Increases:

2012-2021 varies based on experience
Thereafter varies based on experience

Investment Rate of Return 7.00%

Pre-retirement, post-retirement and disabled mortality rates were based on the experience of TPAF members reflecting mortality reflecting mortality improvement on a generational basis based on a 60-year average of Social Security data from 1953 to 2013.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2016.

Long Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on pension investments (7.00% at June 30, 2017) 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 expecting inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in TPAF' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2017 is summarized in the following table:

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Long Term Expected Rate of Return (continued)

		Long-Term
		Expected Real
	Target	Rate of
Asset Class	Allocation	Return
Absolute return/risk mitigation	5.00%	5.51%
Cash equivalents	5.50%	1.00%
U.S. Treasuries	3.00%	1.87%
Investment grade credit	10.00%	3.78%
Public High Yield Bonds	2.50%	6.82%
Global diversified credit	5.00%	7.10%
Credit oriented hedge funds	1.00%	6.60%
Debt related private equity	2.00%	10.63%
Debt related real estate	1.00%	6.61%
Private real asset	2.50%	11.83%
Equity related real estate	6.25%	9.23%
U.S. equity	30.00%	8.19%
Non U.S. developed markets equity	11.50%	9.00%
Emerging markets equity	6.50%	11.64%
Buyouts/venture capital	8.25%	13.08%

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

<u>Discount Rate – TPAF</u>

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 4.25% as of June 30, 2017. The single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investment of 7.00% and a municipal bond rate of 3.58% as of June 30, 2017 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 contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made based on the contributions rate in the most recent fiscal year.

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

<u>Discount Rate – TPAF (continued)</u>

The State employer contributed 40% of the actuarially determined contributions. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2036. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2036 and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

<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, 2017 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:

Fisca	al Year	Ended June 30, 20)17				
		1%		1%			
	Decrease		Decrease Discount Rate		Increase		
		(3.25%)	(4.25%)			(5.25%)	
Charter School's proportionate share of the		·		·		·	
Net Pension Liability	\$ 24,395,499		\$	20,534,390	\$	17,353,591	
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016							
		1%		Current		1%	
		Decrease	[Discount Rate		Increase	
		(2.22%)		(4.22%)			
Charter School's proportionate share of the							
Net Pension Liability	\$	14,723,951	\$	12,272,750	\$	10,373,776	

NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

C. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position - TPAF

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

Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP)

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 the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. There were no employee contributions to DCRP for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.

NOTE 8: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan Description and Benefits Provided

The school is in a "special funding situation, as described in GASB Statement No. 75 in that OPEB contributions and expense are legally required to be made by and are the sole responsibility of the State of New Jersey.

NOTE 8: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

The State of New Jersey reports a liability as a result of its statutory requirements to pay other postemployment (health) benefits for State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan. The State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan is a multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan that is administered on a pay-as-you-go basis. Accordingly, no assets are accumulated in a qualifying trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. The State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan provides medical, prescription drug, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents of local education employers.

The employer contributions for the participating local education employers are legally required to be funded by the State of New Jersey in accordance with N.J.S.A 52:14-17.32f. According to N.J.S.A 52:14-17.32f, the State provides employer-paid coverage to employees who retire from a board of education or county college with 25 years or more of service credit in, or retires on a disability pension from, one or more of the following plans: the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), the Police and Firemen Retirement System (PFRS), or the Alternate Benefit Program (ABP). Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L, 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

The total nonemployer OPEB liability does not include certain other postemployment benefit obligations that are provided by the local education employers. The reporting of these benefits are the responsibility of the individual local education employers.

Employees covered by benefit terms:

At June 30, 2017, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms: TPAF participant retirees:

As of June 30, 2017, there were 112,966 retirees receiving post-retirement medical benefits, and the State contributed \$1.39 billion on their behalf.

PERS participant retirees:

The State paid \$238.9 million toward Chapter 126 benefits for 20,913 eligible retired members in Fiscal Year 2017.

Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability

The total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2017 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2016, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2017. The total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2016 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2016.

NOTE 8: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs

The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Inflation Rate	2.50%			
		TPAF/ABP	PERS	PFRS
Salary Increases				
Through 2026		1.55% to 4.55% based on years of service	2.15% to 4.15% based on age	2.10% to 8.98% based on age
Rate thereafter		2.00% to 5.45% based on years of service	3.15% to 5.15% based on age	3.15% to 9.98% based on age

Preretirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Headcount-Weighted Healthy Employee Male/Female mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using the MP-2017 scale. Postretirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Headcount-Weighted Healthy Annuitant Male/Female mortality table with fully generational improvement projections from the central year using the MP-2017 scale. Disability mortality was based on the RP-2014 Headcount-Weighted Disabled Male/Female mortality table with fully generational improvement projections from the central year using the MP-2017 scale.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies for the periods July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2015, July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2013, and July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2014 for TPAF, PFRS and PERS, respectively

Health Care Trend Assumptions

For pre-Medicare preferred provider organization (PPO) medical benefits, this amount initially is 5.9% and decreases to a 5.0% long-term trend rate after nine years. For self-insured post-65 PPO medical benefits, the trend rate is 4.5%. For health maintenance organization (HMO) medical benefits, the trend rate is in initially 5.9% and decreases to a 5.0% long-term trend rate after nine years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 10.5% decreasing to a 5.0% long-term trend rate after eight years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.0%. The Medicare Advantage trend rate is 4.5% and will continue in all future years.

NOTE 8: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Discount rate

The discount rate for June 30, 2017 and 2016 was 3.58% and 2.85%, respectively. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the Division. The source is 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.

Changes in the State's Total OPEB Liability

	Total OPEB Liability
Balance at June 30, 2016	\$ 57,831,784,184
Service cost Interest on Total OPEB Liability Effect of Changes of Assumptions Contributions - Employee	2,391,878,884 1,699,441,736 (7,086,599,129) 45,748,749
Gross Benefits Paid by the State	(1,242,412,566)
Net Changes	(4,191,942,326)
Balance at June 30, 2017	53,639,841,858

Sensitivity of Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate: The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the total nonemployer OPEB liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current rate:

ie current rate.									
	Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017								
	At 1%	At current	At 1%						
	Decrease (2.58%)	discount rate (3.58%)	Increase (4.58%)						
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 63,674,362,200	\$ 53,639,841,858	\$ 45,680,364,953						
	Fiso	cal Year Ended June 30, 20	16						
	At 1%	At current	At 1%						
	Decrease (1.58%)	discount rate (2.58%)	Increase (3.58%)						
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 69,383,705,084	\$ 57,831,784,184	\$ 48,817,654,566						

NOTE 8: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

<u>Sensitivity of Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Trend</u> Rate:

The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, calculated using the healthcare trend rate as disclosed above as well as what the total nonemployer OPEB liability would be if it was calculated using a healthcare trend rate that is 1- percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current rate:

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017							
	At 1%		At 1%					
	decrease		Increase					
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 44,113,584,560	\$ 53,639,841,858	\$ 66,290,599,457					
	Fisca	al Year Ended June 30,	2016					
	At 1%		At 1%					
	decrease	Trend Rate	Increase					
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 47,452,589,164	\$ 57,831,784,184	\$ 71,707,778,970					

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 the Charter School recognized OPEB expense of \$1,709,709 as determined by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. This expense and the related offsetting revenue are for benefits provided by the State through a defined benefit OPEB plan that meets the criteria in GASB Statement 75, in which there is a special funding situation.

NOTE 8: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

In accordance with GASB Statement 75, as the Charter School's proportionate share of the OPEB liability is \$-0, there is no recognition of the allocation of the proportionate share of the deferred inflows and outflows of resources. At June 30, 2017 the State had deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred	Outflows	Deferred	d Inflows	
	Of Res	sources	Of Resources		
Difference between Actual and Expected Experience	\$	-	\$	-	
Net Difference between Expected and Actual Earnings on					
OPEB Plan Investments		-		-	
Assumption Changes			(6,343,	769,032)	
Sub Total	<u> </u>	-	(6,343,	769,032)	
Contributions Made in Fiscal Year 2018 after					
June 30, 2017 Measurement Date	1,190	0,373,242		N/A	
Total	1,190	0,373,242	(6,343,	769,032)	

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Fiscal Year ending June 30	
2018	\$ 742,830,097
2019	\$ 742,830,097
2020	\$ 742,830,097
2021	\$ 742,830,097
2022	\$ 742,830,097
Total Thereafter	\$ 2,629,618,547
	\$ 6,343,769,032

NOTE 9: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Charter School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

Property and Liability Insurance

The Charter School maintains commercial insurance coverage for property, liability, student accident, and surety bonds. A complete schedule of insurance coverage can be found in the Statistical Section of this Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

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.

NOTE 10: ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Charter School participates in numerous state and federal grant programs. The programs are subject to compliance audits under the single audit approach. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursements by the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grants. Management believes that the amount from future audits, if any, would not be material. The Charter School is dependent on the State of New Jersey for a substantial portion of its operating funds. Due to funding uncertainties at the State level, funding for Charter Schools may be reduced. The ultimate effect of this possible reduction in funding on the Charter school's future operation is not yet determinable.

NOTE 11: FUND BALANCE DISCLOSURE

General Fund – of the \$1,342,370 General Fund fund balance at June 30, 2018, \$1,342,370 is unassigned and none is assigned.

NOTE 12: <u>LITIGATION</u>

The Charter school was audited by the New Jersey Department of Education, Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance ("OFAC"). The initial report of examination issued in July 2009 found numerous violations and recommended a recovery of \$415,938 in State aid. The Charter school filed an appeal with OFAC challenging the report of examination and was granted in part and denied in part. In November, 2014, The Charter School settled the litigation with a total return of state aid of \$150,000. This aid is to be deducted from future aide payments of \$25,000 over a period six years. The balance as of June 30, 2018 is \$50,000.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART II

SECTION C – BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

General Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

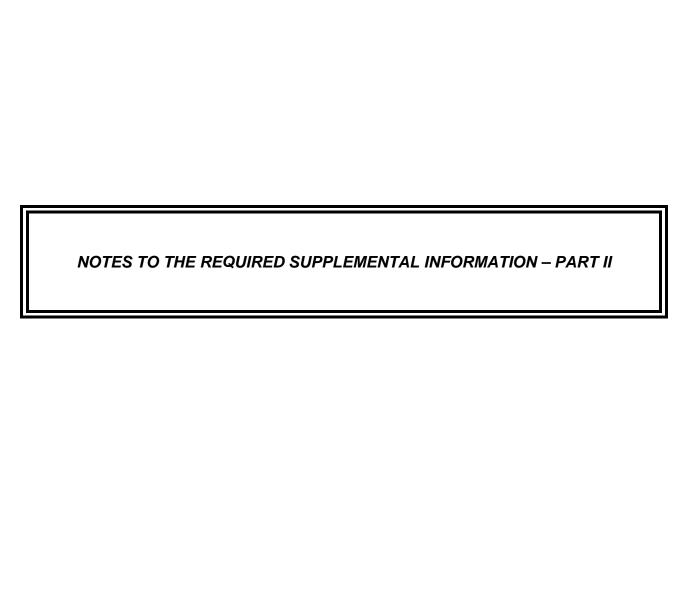
	Original Budget Final Budget Transfers Budget			Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
REVENUES:						
Local Levy Budget: "Local Levy" Local Share-Charter School Aid	\$ 515,303	\$ -	\$ 515,303	\$ 531,560	\$ 16,257	
Local Levy Local Ghare-Gharter Gorioof Ald	Ψ 313,303	Ψ -	Ψ 313,303	ψ 331,300	ψ 10,237	
Total Local Levy Budget	515,303	<u> </u>	515,303	531,560	16,257	
Categorical Aid:						
Equalization Aid	44 000 000		44 000 000	40,000,750	(040.040)	
"Local Levy" State Share-Charter School Aid	11,302,368		11,302,368	10,683,758	(618,610)	
Special Education Security Aid	457,255		457,255	378,307	(78,948)	
Adjustment Aid	384,631		384,631	356,234 474,749	(28,397) 474,749	
Non-Public Aid	168,777		168,777	111,711	(57,066)	
TOTT ADIO / III	100,111	· 	100,111		(01,000)	
Total Categorical Aid	12,313,031		12,313,031	12,004,759	(308,272)	
Revenues From Other Sources:						
Interest Income				432	432	
Miscellaneous Revenue	45,000		45,000	164,497	119,497	
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Aid				045.040	045.040	
(Non-Budgeted)				615,819	615,819	
On-Behalf TPAF Post Retirement Medical Aid				207 745	207 745	
(Non-Budgeted) On-Behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Aid				397,745	397,745	
(Non-Budgeted)				4,545	4,545	
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security				1,010	1,010	
Contributions (Non-Budgeted)				371,060	371,060	
Total Revenues From Other Sources	45,000	_	45,000	1,554,098	1,509,098	
Total Neverlues From Other Sources	45,000	·	43,000	1,554,098	1,509,090	
Total Revenues	12,873,334	-	12,873,334	14,090,417	1,217,083	
EXPENDITURES:						
Instruction:						
Salaries of Teachers	4,399,712	33,828	4,433,540	4,405,620	27,920	
Purchased Prof/Tech Services	127,000	(90,000)	37,000	36,901	99	
Other Purchased Services	169,400	57,000	226,400	226,397	3	
General Supplies	412,775	(44,000)	368,775	363,200	5,575	
Textbooks	59,928	(17,800)	42,128	42,115	13	
Miscellaneous	310,440	32,400	342,840	342,003	837	
Total Instruction	5,479,255	(28,572)	5,450,683	5,416,236	34,447	
Administration:						
Salaries - General Administration	1,466,691	50,242	1,516,933	1,516,486	447	
Salaries of Secretarial/Clerical Assistants	33,750	1,230	34,980	34,973	7	
Total Benefits Cost	1,280,557	22,405	1,302,962	1,237,306	65,656	
Purchases Prof/Tech Services	1,690,051	20,700	1,710,751	1,541,279	169,472	
Other Purchased Services	66,875	7,600	74,475	74,472	3	
Communications/Telephone	125,740	(31,450)	94,290	94,273	17	
Supplies and Materials	31,045	7,800	38,845	38,820	25	
Miscellaneous Expenses	100,010	4,950	104,960	104,433	527	
Total Administration	4,794,719	83,477	4,878,196	4,642,042	236,154	

General Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

		Original Budget	 Budget Fransfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable Infavorable)
(Continued from Prior Page) Support Services: Salaries	\$	303,855	\$ 34,400	\$ 338,255	\$ 336,282	\$ 1,973
Purchased Prof/Tech Services		201,900	66,795	268,695	268,653	42
Rental of Land and Buildings Transportation-Other Than To/From School		1,310,496 537,120	99,504 62,800	1,410,000 599,920	1,311,655 596,642	98,345 3,278
Insurance for Property, Liability and Fidelity		68,000	(2,500)	65,500	65,480	20
Supplies and Materials		78,740	(18,840)	59,900	58,969	931
Miscellaneous Expenses		11,700	 (4,100)	 7,600	 5,289	 2,311
Total Support Services		2,511,811	 238,059	 2,749,870	 2,642,970	 106,900
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contributions (Non-Budgeted) On-Behalf TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Contributions				-	615,819	(615,819)
(Non-Budgeted) On-Behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Contributions (Non-Budgeted)					397,745 4,545	(397,745) (4,545)
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contributions (Non-Budgeted)			 	 	 371,060	 (371,060)
Total Expenditures		12,785,785	 292,964	 13,078,749	 14,090,417	(1,011,668)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses		87,549	(292,964)	(205,415)	-	205,415
FUND BALANCE, JULY 1	_	1,342,370	 	 1,342,370	 1,342,370	
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$	1,429,919	\$ (292,964)	\$ 1,136,955	\$ 1,342,370	\$ 205,415
Recapitulation of Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures						
Budgeted Fund Balance	\$	1,429,919	\$ (292,964)	\$ 1,136,955	\$ 1,342,370	\$ 205,415
Total	\$	1,429,919	\$ (292,964)	\$ 1,136,955	\$ 1,342,370	\$ 205,415

Special Revenue Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

	Original Budget		Budget Transfers		Final Budget		Actual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
REVENUES:										
Federal Sources	\$	1,387,922			\$	1,387,922	\$	1,347,240	\$	(40,682)
Other Sources	\$	135,000	\$	23,302	_	158,302	\$	154,625		(3,677)
Total Revenues		1,522,922		23,302		1,546,224		1,501,865		(44,359)
EXPENDITURES:										
Instruction:										
Salaries of Teachers		840,250				840,250		832,808		7,442
Purchased Prof/Tech Services		23,798				23,798		23,798		-
Other Purchased Services		10,000		3,302		13,302		13,302		-
General Supplies		19,970				19,970	-	19,970		-
Total Instruction		894,063		3,302		897,365		889,923		7,442
Support Services:										
Support Salaries		108,500				108,500		108,500		-
Personal Services - Employee Benefits		280,322				280,322		280,322		-
Other Purchased Services		49,750				49,750		46,750		3,000
Supplies and Materials		125,000		20,000		145,000		141,323		3,677
Miscellaneous Expenditures		70,803				70,803		33,121		37,682
Total Support Services		636,301		20,000		656,301		611,942		44,359
Total Expenditures		1,530,364		23,302		1,553,666		1,501,865		51,801
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$	(7,442)	\$	-	\$	(7,442)	\$	-	\$	7,442

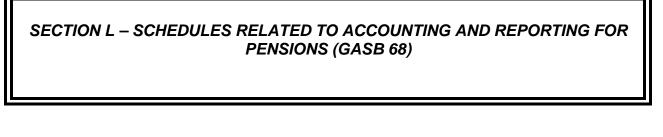


Budgetary Comparison Schedule Budget To GAAP Reconciliation Note to RSI For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

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]	\$	14,090,417	[C-2] —	1,501,865
Total revenues as reports on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance -					
governmental funds.	[B-2]	\$	14,090,417	[B-2] <u>\$</u>	1,501,865
Uses/Outflows of resources					
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total outflows" from the budgetary comparison schedule	[C-1]	\$	14,090,417	[C-2] \$	1,501,865
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of	-				
revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances - governmental funds.	[B-2]	\$	14,090,417	[B-2]\$	1,501,865

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART III



FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

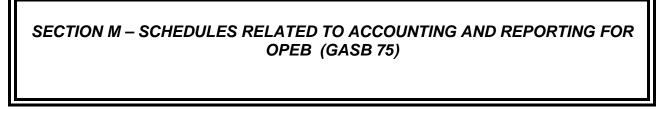
				Fis	cal Year	Ending June 3	0,			
		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018
Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.	004557260%	0	.004210287%	0.	010224163%	C	0.010224200%	C	0.024340740%
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	870,982	\$	788,281	\$	779,293	\$	3,028,104	\$	5,666,136
Charter School's covered employees payroll	\$	179,904	\$	391,189	\$	968,807	\$	1,333,808	\$	1,209,844
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of it's covered employee payroll				202%		80%		227%		468%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability				48.72%		52.08%		47.93%		47.93%

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULES SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018
Contractually required contribution	\$	34,338	\$	35,621	\$	30,764	\$	91,758	\$	241,469
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		(34,338)		(35,621)		(30,764)		(91,758)		(241,469)
Contribution deficiency/(excess)	\$		\$	-	\$		\$		\$	
Charter School's covered employee payroll	\$	179,904	\$	393,189	\$	968,807	\$	1,333,808	\$	1,209,844
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll		19.09%		9.06%		3.18%		6.88%		19.96%

FREEDOM PREP 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 FIVE FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

			Fiscal Year Ending June 30,							
	_	2014		2015		2016		2017		2018
State's proportion of the net pension liability attributable of the Charter School		0.0140738%		0.0128181%		0.0138294%		0.1560100%		0.03034480%
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the Charter School	\$	7,112,787	\$	6,850,878	\$	8,740,795	\$	12,272,750	\$	20,459,453
Charter School's covered employees payroll	\$	1,272,903	\$	1,429,773	\$	2,864,587	\$	3,742,939	\$	4,039,602
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of it's covered employee payroll		558.78%		479.16%		428.43%		327.89%		506.47%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		33.76%		33.64%		28.71%		22.33%		22.33%



Freedom Prep Charter School Required Supplementary Information Schedules Schedule of Changes in the Charter School's Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios Last Two Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

	Fiscal Years Ending						
	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2018					
OPEB Liability at Beginning of Measurement Period		\$ 5,090,931					
Service cost		1,529,307					
Interest on Total OPEB Liability		186,928					
Effect on Changes of Benefit Terms	NOT AVAILABLE	•					
Effect of Changes of Assumptions		(1,143,651)					
Contributions - Employee		4,725					
Gross Benefits Paid by the State		(128,316)					
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Net Change in Total OPEB Liability		448,993					
OPEB Liability at Beginning of Measurement Period	NOT AVAILABLE	5,090,931					
Of EB Elability at Beginning of Measurement Feriod		3,030,331					
Total OPEB Liability at End of Measurement Period	5,090,931	5,539,924					
·							
The Charter School's Proportionets Share of the Total							
The Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Total	0.01%	0.01%					
OPEB Liability	0.01%	0.01%					
Charter School's Covered-Employee Payroll	5,076,747	5,249,446					
• • •							
Total Charter School's OPEB liability as a percentage of							
covered-employee payroll	100.279%	105.533%					
Charter School's Contribution	None	None					
Charter School's Contribution	None	none					

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Notes to Schedule:

Changes in benefit terms: None

Changes in assumptions:

The increase in the liability from June 30,2016 to June 30,2017 is due to the increase in the assumed discount rate from 2.85% as of June 30,2016 to 3.58% as of June 30,2017

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION III

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

A. Benefit Changes

There were none.

B. Changes in Assumptions

The discount rate changed from 3.98% as of June 30, 2016 to 5.00% as of June 30, 2017.

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION TEACHER'S PENSION AND ANNUITY FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

A. Benefit Changes

There were none.

B. Changes in Assumptions

The discount rate changed from 3.22% as of June 30, 2016 to 4.25% as of June 30, 2017.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SECTION E - SPECIAL REVENUE FUND DETAIL STATEMENTS

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

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL
Special Revenue Fund
Combining Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures
Budgetary Basis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

Total	1,347,240 154,625	1,501,865	832,808 23,798 13,302 19,970 45	889,923	108,500 280,322 48,676 141,323 33,121	611,942	1,501,865
	↔	↔	₩				↔
Title III	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000			10,000
		↔	θ				↔
Temporary Emergency Impact Aid	35,250	35,250	27,808 1,570 45	29,423	3,901	5,827	35,250
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IDEA	\$ 180,319	180,319	15,000	15,000	108,500	165,319	\$ 180,319
	↔	↔	₩				•••
Title II Part A	46,750	46,750	ı		46,750	46,750	46,750
	∨	↔	↔				↔
Title I	1,074,921	1,074,921	780,000 23,798 18,400	822,198	219,602	252,723	1,074,921
		s	₩				∨
Local Grants	154,625	154,625	13,302	13,302	141,323	141,323	154,625
	↔	↔	6				∨
	REVENUES: Federal Sources Other Sources	Total Revenues	EXPENDITURES: Instruction: Salaries of Teachers Purchased Prof/Tech Services Other Purchased Services General Supplies Other Objects	Total Instruction	Support Services: Support Salaries Employee Benefits Other Purchased Services Supplies and Materials Miscellaneous Expenditures	Total Support Services	Total Expenditures

SECTION G – PROPRIETARY FUND DETAIL STATEMENTS

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.

Child Care Program – This fund provides for the operation of a before and after school child care program within the school.

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

SECTION H – FIDUCIARY FUNDS DETAIL STATEMENTS

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

Unemployment Insurance Compensation Trust Fund – This expendable trust fund is used to account for deductions from employee's salaries which are utilized to pay unemployment compensation claims as they arise.

Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the 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 Position
June 30, 2018

	Trust	Agency									
	Unemployment Compensation Insurance	Payroll Agency	Net Payroll	Student Activities	Agency Funds						
ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 3,752	\$ 53,262	\$ 2,969	\$ 571	\$ 56,802						
Total Assets	3,752	\$ 53,262	\$ 2,969	\$ 571	\$ 56,802						
LIABILITIES: Interfund Accounts Payable Accounts Payable Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Due to Student Groups	4,187	11,063 - 42,199	2,969	- - 571	14,032 - 42,199 571						
Total Liabilities	4,187	\$ 53,262	\$ 2,969	\$ 571	\$ 56,802						
NET POSITION: Unreserved	(435)	-									
Total Net Position	\$ (435)	=									

Fiduciary Funds Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

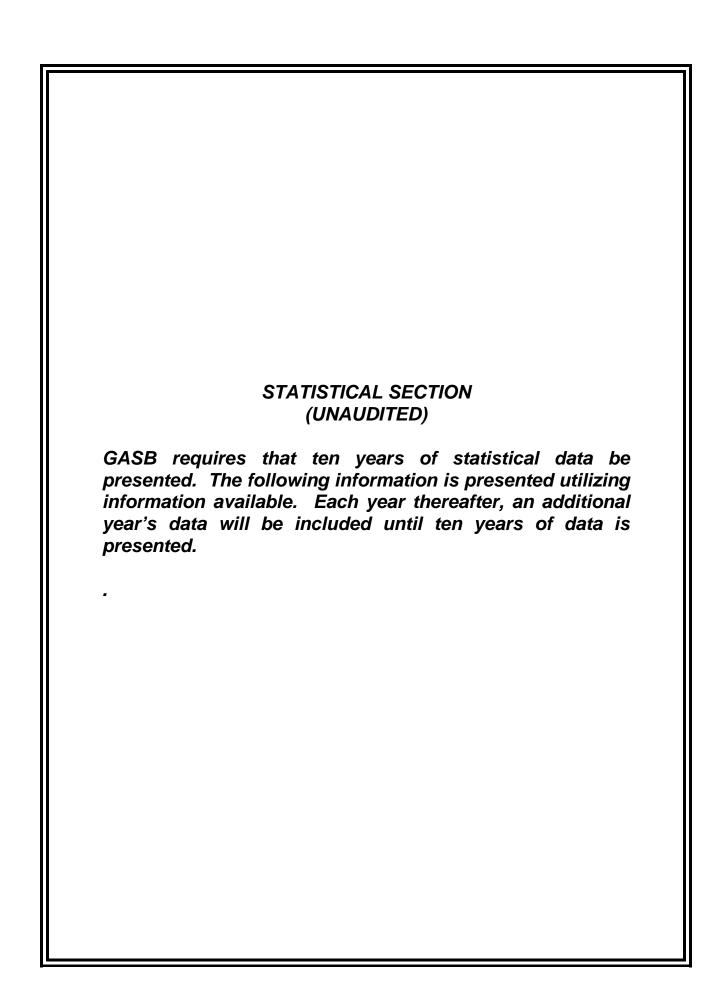
	Unemployment Compensation Insurance
ADDITIONS: Contributions Employee	\$ 33,074
Total Additions	33,074
DEDUCTIONS: Unemployment Claims Paid	31,676
Total Deductions	31,676
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	1,398
NET POSITION, JULY 1	(1,833)
NET POSITION, JUNE 30	\$ (435)

Fiduciary Funds
Student Activity Agency Fund
Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

	Ba July	lance 1, 2017	Cash ceipts	Cash rsements	alance 30, 2018
Cash	\$	571	\$ 125	\$ 125	\$ 571
Total	\$	571	\$ 125	\$ 125	\$ 571

Fiduciary Funds
Payroll Agency Fund
Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

	_	Balance y 1, 2017	Additions	Deletions	_	Balance e 30, 2018
ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	11,681	\$ 3,078,881	\$ 3,037,300	\$	53,262
Total Assets	\$	11,681	\$ 3,078,881	\$ 3,037,300	\$	53,262
LIABILITIES: Interfund Accounts Payable	\$	11,681	\$ 3,078,881	\$ 3,037,300	\$	53,262
Total Liabilities	\$	11,681	\$ 3,078,881	\$ 3,037,300	\$	53,262



Freedom Prep 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, 2004; schedules presenting charter school-wide information include information beginning in that year.



FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL

Net Assets/Position by Component

Last Ten Fiscal Years

(accrual basis of accounting)

		2018		2017] j	2016		2015	Ó	2014	N	2013	20	2012	2011	7	2	2010	7	2009
Governmental Activities Net Investment in Capital Assets/ Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	↔	1	↔	•	€	4,528	↔	46,520	€	ı	↔	ı	€		↔		↔		€	
Restricted Unrestricted		. (714,902)	_	31,379		- 157,692	-	- 1,009,379	. •	100,558 636,539	-,	133,185 511,802	- ∞	176,208 850,647	1 4	142,880 408,021	_	55,001 (3,484)	− Ω	184,802 531,238
Total Governmental Activities Net Assets/Position	ઝ	(714,902)	\$	31,379	ક	162,220	s	1,055,899	\$	737,097	8	644,987	\$ 1,0,	026,855	\$ 56	550,901	8	151,517	2 3	16,040
Business-Type Activities Unrestricted	↔	341,619 \$	\$	334,806	↔	138,044	€	55,425	↔	304	\$	35,881	€	51,823	\$	70,076		59,677		11,597
Total Business-Type Activities Net Position	ઝ	341,619	₩.	334,806	8	138,044	\$	55,425	\$	304	\$	35,881	\$	51,823	\$	920,07	\$	59,677	\$	11,597
Charter School-wide Restricted		-		366 185		- 205 736	Ì	- 1064 804	. 4	100,558		133,185	€ 8	176,208	12	142,880	1	155,001	- τ	184,802
Total Charter School-wide Net Assets/Position	↔	(373,283) \$	 	366	₩	300,264	8	1,111,324	\$	737,401	S	680,868	\$ 1,0	,078,678	\$ 62	620,977	\$	11,194	2 2	27,637

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL Changes in Net Assets/Position Last Ten Fiscal Years (accrual basis of accounting)

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Expenses Governmental Activities:										
Instruction Administration	\$ 6,886,834 \$	4,957,677	\$ 5,118,959	\$ 4,455,813 \$	1,792,925	\$ 1,787,295 \$	1,680,212	\$ 1,447,522 \$	1,451,402	\$ 1,668,078
Administration Support Services	3,418,972	3,095,908	3,056,319	3,942,779 1,810,724	668,276	730,313	700,379	920,7 14 600,363	693,563	666,454
Capital Outlay Unallocated Benefits Unallocated Denreciation		360,096 4 528	- 41 992	- 40.877	- 267,014 40,877	311,899 40 621	- 251,906 39,851	- 183,265 29,000	- - - - - -	- - 12 857
Fixed Asset Appraisal Adjustment Total Governmental Activities Expenses	18 048 272	14 559 166	13 612 701	10.250.193	3 953 022	(5,132)	(60,734)	3 180 864	3 439 661	3 440 541
Business-Type Activities:										
Food Service Total Business-Type Activites Expenses	846,181	597,748	562,779	745,099	745,099	726,217	700,584	138,979	121,181	149,614
Total Charter School Expenses	\$ 18,894,453 \$	15,156,914		\$ 10,995,292 \$	1 11	\$ 4,703,860 \$	4,273,289	\$ 3,319,843 \$	3,560,842	\$ 3,590,155
Program Revenues Governmental Activities: Canital Grants and Contributions		,	·		324 493	39 910	378 487	\$ 241 725	360 330	\$ 262 292
Total Governmental Activites Expenses					324,493	139,910	378,487	241,725	360,330	
Business-Type Activities: Charges for Services		529	,		231	3,874	1,174	257	34,116	
Operating Grants and Contributions	852,946	793,981	645,550	585,130	' 1				1	' 6
Capital Grants and Contributions Transfers		•			136,512	143,622	151,148	148,969	135,145	161,211
Total Business-Type Activites Expenses	852,946	794,510	645,550	585,130	146,743	147,496	152,322	149,226	169,261	161,211
Total Charter School Prgram Revenue	\$ 852,946 \$	794,510	\$ 645,550	\$ 585,130 \$	471,236	\$ 287,406 \$	530,809	\$ 390,951 \$	529,591	\$ 423,503
Net (Expense)/Revenue Governmental Activities	\$ (18,048,272) \$	(14,559,166)	\$ (13,612,701)	\$ (10,250,193) \$	(3,628,529)	\$ (3,837,733) \$	(3,194,218)	\$ (2,939,139) \$	(3,079,331)	\$ (3,178,249)
Total Charter School Net Expense	\$ (18,041,507) \$	(14,362,404)	\$ (13,529,930)	\$ (10,195,072)	(3,664,106)	\$ (3,853,675) \$	(3,212,471)	\$ (2,928,892) \$	(3,0	(3,166,652)
General Revenues Governmental Activities:	6 0 0	770	6 0 0 0 0	9 000 000	2. 0. 0. 0.	6	200 100 100	000	6,000	9C 9 90
Grants and Contributions	16,357,388	13,741,247	12,	340,328 10,037,411	3,598,928	3,266,919	3,4	3,135,618	2,389,292	2,8
Miscellaneous Income Transfers	412,611	213,152	349,437	161,025	21,051 (10,000)	78,227	53,407	76,358	13,515	126,747
Total Governmental Activities	17,301,991	14,429,243	13,584,614	10,538,764	3,720,639	3,456,165	3,669,872	3,338,523	2,514,808	3,056,088
Total Charter School Wide	\$ 17,302,039 \$	14,429,243	\$ 13,584,614	\$ 10,538,764 \$	3,720,639	\$ 3,456,165 \$	3,669,872	\$ 3,338,523 \$	2,514,808	\$ 3,056,088
Change in Net Assets/Position Governmental Activities	\$ (746,281) \$	(129,923)	\$ (28,087)	\$ 288,571 \$	92,110	\$ (381,568) \$,	\$ 399,384 \$	(564,523)	\$ (122,161)
Business-Type Activities	6,813	196,762	82,771	55,121	(35,577)	(15,942)	(18,253)	10,247	48,080	11,597
Total Charter School	\$ (739,468) \$	66,839	\$ 54,684	\$ 343,692 \$	56,533	\$ (397,510) \$	457,401	\$ 409,631 \$	(516,443)	\$ (110,564)

Source: Charter School's Records

Source: Charter School's Records

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL
Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)

		2018		2017		2016		2015	•	2014		2013	2	2012	- 1	2011	(7)	2010		2009
General Fund Reserved Unreserved	↔	1,342,370	↔	1,342,370	↔	-1,009,379	€	1,009,379	∨	13,161	€	4,911	€	12,445 350,347	\$	408,021	∨	_ (18,484)	€	516,238
Total General Fund	↔	1,342,370	↔	\$ 1,342,370 \$ 1,342,370 \$	↔	1,009,379	↔	1,009,379	↔	649,700	S	516,713	€	362,792	↔	408,021	↔	(18,484)	S	516,238
All Other Governmental Funds Unreserved Special Revenue Fund	↔	. '	↔	,	↔	. '	₩	. '	↔	.	↔		€	.	↔		↔	1,500	↔	
Total All Other Governmental Funds	₩	٠	છ		s	171	8	171	s	'	↔	-	€	'	↔	'	8	1,500	\$,

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL
Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)

		2018	2017	2016	2015		2014	2013	2012		2011	2010	0	20	2009
Revenues: Local Sources	49	531.560	474.844	418.033	\$ 340.328	\$	131.711	\$ 189.246	\$ 191.974	8		69		69	
Miscellaneous	٠	319,554	189,462	125,580	100,633	33									
State Sources		13,393,928	12,569,063	11,496,531	9,332,180	80	3,597,658	3,258,840	3,463,502	2					
Federal Sources		1,347,240	1,195,874	1,597,773	765,623	523	325,763	147,989	392,883	3					
Total Revenues		15,592,282	14,429,243	13,637,917	10,538,764	.64	4,055,132	3,596,075	4,048,359	6					
Expenditures:															
Instruction		6,306,159	5,325,093	5,808,000	4,698,194	94	1,792,925	1,787,295	1,680,21	2	٠				,
Administration		6,031,211	5,398,383	4,775,017	3,738,028	28	1,183,930	1,112,647	961,091	_					
Support Services		3,254,912	3,012,680	3,001,597	1,742,863	983	668,276	730,313	700,379	6					
Capital Outlay			360,096	•					•		٠				
Unallocated Benefits							267,014	311,899	251,906	9					
Total Expenditures		15,592,282	14,096,252	13,584,614	10,179,085	985	3,912,145	3,942,154	3,593,588	8					
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		,	332,991	53,303	359,679	629	142,987	(346,079)	454,771	_	•				,
Other Financing Uses: Transfers Out				•			(10,000)	•							
Total Other Financing Uses							(10,000)				•				
Net Change in Fund Balance	છ	٠	\$ 332,991	53,303	\$ 359,679	\$ 629	132,987	\$ (346,079)	\$ 454,77	\$		↔		↔	

General Fund - Other Local Revenue by Source Last Ten Fiscal Years (modified accrual basis of accounting)

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Dor	nations		erest		Prior Year Refunds		cellaneous Revenue		Annual Total
2018	\$	_	\$	_	\$	138,043	\$	26,454	\$	164,497
2017	*	363	*	-	Ψ	5.969	\$	80,130	Ψ	86,462
2016		200		-		57,023	•	3,718		60,941
2015		-		-		53,276		20,095		73,371
2014		-		-		-		-		-
2013		-		-		-		-		-
2012		-		-		-		-		-
2011		-		-		-		-		-
2010		-		-		-		-		-
2009		-		-		-		-		-

Source: Charter School records

OPERATING INFORMATION

Source: Charter School's Records

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL
Full-Time Equivalent Charter School Employees by Function
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Unaudited)

Function	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Instruction	93	85	81	49	24	26	23	23	21	18
Administrative	23	20	20	6	∞	2	2	2	9	ω
Support Services	10	9	10	25	7	က	က	က	က	7
Food Service				2	2	2	7	2	2	2
Total	126	111	111	85	36	36	33	33	32	30

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL

Operating Statistics Last Ten Fiscal Years

Student Attendance Percentage	93.06%	92.30%	89.83%	92.41%	91.45%	88.62%	99.71%	98.55%	90.53%	90.95%
Percent Change in Average Daily Enrollment	3.47%	2.67%	24.53%	167.57%	-3.98%	0.94%	17.73%	7.70%	-17.93%	100.15%
Average Daily Attendance (ADA) °	778	770	707	584	216	218	243	204	174	213
Average Daily Enrollment (ADE) °	836	808	787	632	236.2	246.0	243.7	207.0	192.2	234.2
Pupil/ Teacher Ratio	1:9	1:9	1:9	1:15	1:10	1:10	1:12	1:11	1:10	1:14
Teaching Staff ^b	93	81	49	23	23	20	21	19	17	17
Percentage Change	-0.65%	28.55%	140.37%	%08.69-	24.33%	6.22%	-5.59%	-7.86%	21.58%	106.60%
Cost Per Pupil	\$ 15,067	15,165	11,797	4,908	16,249	13,070	12,304	13,032	14,143	11,633
Operating Expenditures ^a	12,701,248	11,510,237	8,953,800	3,587,652	3,802,244	3,215,101	2,879,061	3,049,530	3,210,492	2,780,183
Enrollment	843 \$	759	759	731	234	246	234	234	227	239
Fiscal Year	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009

Sources: Charter School records

Note: Enrollment based on annual October 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 Ten Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Charter School Building										
School Building:										
Square Feet	300,000	300,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
Capacity (students)	731	731	255	255	255	255	255	255	320	240
Enrollment	731	731	234	246	234	234	227	243	292	226

Number of Schools at, June 30, 2018: School Building: 1

Source: District Facilities Office

Note: Enrollment is based on the annual October District count.

Source: Charter School's Records

Insurance Schedule June 30, 2018

		Coverage	Deductible	<u>-</u>
Proporty Incurance				
Property Insurance:	Φ	0.000.000	4 000	D O
Blanket Real and Personal Property	\$	2,000,000	•	Per Occurrence
Blanket Extra Expense		50,000,000	•	Per Occurrence
Blanket Valuable Paper & Records		10,000,000	1,000	Per Occurrence
Demolition & Increased Cost of Construction		10,000,000		
Fire Department Service Charge		10,000		
Arson Reward		10,000		
Pollutant Clean-up and Removal		250,000		
Flood Deductibles:				
Per Building			500,000	
Per Building Contents			500,000	
Per Member/Per Occurrence Subject to a Maximu	m Ret	tained	10,000	
Deductible of \$ 1,000,000 to NJSBAIG			,,,,,,	
. , ,				
Eletronic Data Processing:				
Blanket Hardware/Software		75,000		Per Occurrence
Coverage Extensions:				
Transit		25,000		
Loss of Income		10,000		
Deductible		1,000		
Flood Deductible A & V		500,000		
Flood Deductible Other Zones		10,000		
		,		
Boiler and Machinery:				
Combined Single Limit Per Accident for PD & Bus	i	100,000,000	1,000	Per Accident for PD
	12 ho	urs per accident	for Business Ir	nterruption/Extra
	Exper	nse. Interruption	of Service Wa	aiting Period 24 Hours
Crime:				
Public Employee Dishonest with Faithful Performa	ı	50,000		
Theft Disappearance & Destruction - Loss of Mon		•		

Public Employee Dishonest with Faithful Performal 50,000
Theft, Disappearance & Destruction - Loss of Money & Securities
On or Off Premises 10,000
Theft, Disappearance & Destruction - Loss of Money & Counterfeit
Paper Currency 25,000
Forgery or Alteration
Computer Fraud
Public Officials Bonds:
Board Secretary/Business Administrator 160,000

Source: Charter School's Records

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL

Charter School Performance Framework Financial Indicators Fiscal Ratios Last Three Fiscal Years

Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers DOE Enrollment Reports Charter School Budget Audit: Exhibit A-2 Audit: Exhibit A-2 Audit: Exhibit A-2 Audit: Exhibit A-1 836.00 1,020 1,847,875 3,889,507 8,760,665 2,237,719 (373,283)(739,468)18,154,985 18,894,453 2018 Audit X X X 2,763,048 3,516,513 15,223,753 15,156,914 66,839 977 5,719,323 2,197,129 5,353,138 4,528 366,185 2017 Audit X X X 2,301,891 1,989,805 18,310,722 111,217 787.00 2,150,282 3,806,763 1,977,275 18,422,039 41,992 2016 Audit ¥ X X Final Average Daily Enrollment March 30th Budgeted Enrollment Total Expenses Change in Net Assets Depreciation Expense Principal Payments Interest Payments **Current Liabilities** Interest Expense Total Revenue Total Assets Net Assets

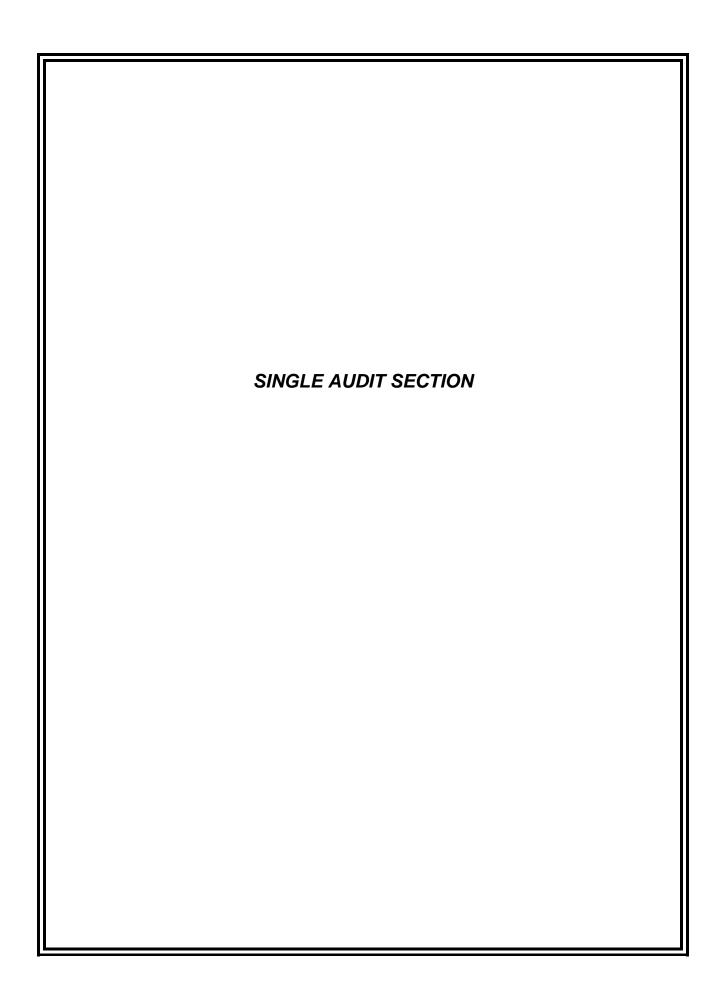
		RATIO	OS ANALYSIS	3			
Vear Ter	Near Term Indicators	2013	2014	2015	3 YR CUM	Source:	Target
a.	Current Ratio	1.09	1.60	1.74		Current Assets/Current Liabilities	> 1.1
b.	Unrestricted Days Cash	45.89	66.54	35.70		Cash/(Total Expenses/365)	30-60
	Enrollment Variance	104%	83%	82%		Average Daily Enrollment/Budgeted Enrollment	%56<
اط.*	Default	N/A	N/A	N/A		Audit	not in default
ustaina	Sustainability Indicators						
2a.	Total Margin	1%	%0	-4%	-1%	Change in Net Assets/Total Revenue	positive
Э.	Debt to Asset	0.52	0.94	06:0		Total Liabilities/Total Assets	6'>
2c. **	Cash Flow	375,253	461,157	(915,173)	(78,763)	Net change in cash flow from prior years	3 yr cum positive
2d.	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	Ψ/N	N/A	N/A		(Change in Net Assets+Depreciation+Interest Expense)/(Principal & Interest Payments)	>1.10

Changes

Is school in default of loan covenant(s) and/or is deliquent with debt service payments? N/A 2018 = 2018 Cash - 2017 Cash; 2017 Cash - 2017 Cash - 2016 Cash - 2015 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

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Freedom Prep Charter School County of Camden Camden, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; 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 Freedom Prep Charter School (Charter School), in the , State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, 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, and have issued our report thereon dated January 25, 2019.

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

Barre & Company LLC
Union, New Jersey

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Licensed Public School Accountant

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January 25, 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND NEW JERSEY CIRCULAR 15-08 OMB

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Freedom Prep Charter School County of Camden Camden, New Jersey

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program

We have audited the Paterson Charter School for Science and Technology'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, 2018. 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 Freedom Prep Charter School, in the 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, 2018.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of Freedom Prep 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.

Purpose of This Report

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

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	Federal	Grant or State	Progr	Program or				Carryover/				Repayment	a)	Balance at June 30, 2018	118
Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	CFDA Number	Project Number	Aw	Award Amount	Grant Period From To	eriod To	Balance at June 30, 2017	(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 Bening Cluster:															
Title I Part A	84.01	NCLB 18	₩	1,078,244	7/1/17	6/30/18 \$	-		\$ 381,785	\$ (1,074,921)	·	·	\$ (693,136)	·	₩
Title II Part A	84.367A	NCLB 18		64,850	7/1/17	6/30/18				(46,750)			(46,750)		
Title III	84.318X	NCLB 18		29,259	9/1/17	8/31/18			10,000	(10,000)					
Total No Child Left Behind Cluster									391,785	(1,131,671)			(739,886)		
Consist Education Cluster (IDEA):															
I D E A Part R Basic	84.027	IDFA 18		180 319	7/1/17	6/30/18			45.023	(180 319)			(135 296)		
I DE A Dest B Basic Caracasa	84.027	DEA - 17		610,001	7/1/16	6/30/17			20,04	(616,001)			(065,001)		
Total Special Education Cluster (IDEA)	150:10				2	5000	•	•	45,023	(180,319)	•	•	(135,296)	•	
Other Special Revenue Funds: Temporary Emergency Impact Aid	84.938C	N/A		35,250	9/1/17	8/31/18				(35,250)			(35,250)		
Total Special Revenue Fund						l			436,808	(1,347,240)			(910,432)		
U.S. Department of Agriculture															
Passed-through State Department of Agriculture															
Enterprise Fund:															
School Breakfast Program	10.553	N/A		261,585	7/1/17	6/30/18			213,432	(261,585)			(48,153)		_
School Breakfast Program	10.553	N/A			7/1/16	6/30/17	(15,790)		15,790						
National School Lunch Program	10.555	N/A		483,959	7/1/17	6/30/18			398,630	(483,959)			(85,329)		
National School Lunch Program	10.555	N/A			7/1/16	6/30/17	(23,646)		23,646						
Child Care Food Program	10.558	N/A		99,360	7/1/17	6/30/18			83,909	(096'66)			(15,451)		
Child Care Food Program	10.558	N/A			7/1/16	6/30/17	(2,055)		2,055						
							100		100						
lotal Enterprise Fund						l	(41,491)		/3/,462	(844,904)			(148,933)		
Sub-Total Federal Financial Awards						₩	(41,491)	· •	\$ 1,174,270	\$ (2,192,144)	•	9	\$ (1,059,365)	•	₩
						11									

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

FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

					Balance at J	Balance at June 30, 2017				Balance at June 30, 2018	ne 30, 2018		MEMO	
	Grant or State Project	Program or Award	t d	Period	Deferred Revenue	đ đ	, e	Rindrata	Adjustments/ Repayment of Prior Year's	(Accounts	Deferred Revenue/ Interfund	Rindoetav	Cumi	Cumulative Total
State Grantor/Program Title	Number	Amount	From	2	Receivable)	Grantor	Received	Expenditures	Balance	Receivable)	Payable	Receivable	Expen	Expenditures
State Department of Education General Fund: State Aid Public Cluster														
Equalization Aid Special Education Categorical Aid	18-495-034-5120-078 18-495-034-5120-089	10,683,758 378,307	7/1/17	6/30/18 6/30/18			10,219,232 378,307	(10,683,758) (378,307)		(464,526)	•	* 464,526 *		10,683,758 378,307
Security Aid Adjustment Aid	18-495-034-5120-084 18-495-034-5120-085	356,234 788,619	7/1/17	6/30/18			356,234 92,057	(356,234) (474,749)		(382,692)	•	* 696,562	32	356,234 474,749
Total State Aid Public Cluster							11,045,830	(11,893,048)		(847,218)		1,161,088		11,893,048
Nonpublic Aid	18-100-034-5120-064	111,711	7/1/17	6/30/18			111,711	(111,711)			- 1	* +		111,711
On Behalf TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Aid On-Behalf TPAF Pension Aid	18-495-034-5094-001 18-495-034-5094-002	397,745	7/1/17	6/30/18			397,745 615,819	(397,745)			•			397,745
On-Behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Aid	18-495-034-5094-004	4,545	7/1/17	6/30/18			4,545	(4,545)			-	*		4,545
Reimbursed TPAF - Social Security	18-495-034-5094-003	371,060	7/1/17	6/30/18	(13 291)		339,530	(371,060)		(31,530)	. *	* 31,530	30	371,060
				5	(10,004)		10000	10000000		(040 050)		* *		000
lotal General Fund					(187,61)		17,020,71	(13,393,920)		(010,140)		1,192,0		0,393,920
State Department of Agriculture Enterprise Fund:												* * *		
National School Lunch Program (State Share) National School Lunch Program (State Share)	18-100-010-3350-023 17-100-010-3350-023	8,042	7/1/17	6/30/18 6/30/17	(401)		6,624	(8,042)		(1,418)		1,418	18	8,042
Total Enterprise Fund					(401)		7,025	(8,042)		(1,418)		1,418	18	8,042
Total All Funds					\$ (13,692)	φ	\$ 12,535,496	\$ (13,401,970)	· \$	\$ (880,166)	φ	* \$ 1,194,036	€	13,401,970
State Financial Assistance Not Subject to Major Program Determination: General Funds: On Behall TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Aid	18-495-034-5094-001	397,745	7/1/7	6/30/18			(397,745)	397,745			,	*		(397,745)
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Aid On-Behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Aid	18-495-034-5094-002 18-495-034-5094-004	615,819 4,545	7/1/17	6/30/18			(615,819) (4,545)	615,819 4,545				* *		(615,819) (4,545)
Total General Fund							(1,018,109)	1,018,109					1)	(1,018,109)
Total State Financial Assistance Subject to Single Audit	Single Audit				\$ (13,692)	€	\$ 11,517,387	\$ (12,383,861)	· \$	\$ (880,166)	* -	* \$ 1,194,036	₩	12,383,861

Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures Of Awards and Financial Assistance June 30, 2018

NOTE 1. GENERAL

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance include federal and state activity of the Board of Trustees, Freedom Prep 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 bases 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 2 (CFR) Part 200 -Uniform Guidance 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. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the presentation of, the basic financial statements. This does not apply to charter schools as districts are not permitted to defer the June payments to charter schools.

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:22-4.2.

Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures Of Awards and Financial Assistance June 30, 2018

NOTE 3. RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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:

	Federal	State	Total
General Fund	\$ -	13,393,928	\$ 13,393,928
Special Revenue Fund	1,347,240	-	1,347,240
Food Service Fund	844,904	8,042	852,946
Total Awards & Financial Assistance	\$ 2,192,144	\$ 13,401,970	\$ 15,594,114

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 LOAN OUTSTANDING

Freedom Prep Charter School has no loan balances outstanding at June 30, 2018.

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, 2018. 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, 2018.

Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures Of Awards and Financial Assistance June 30, 2018

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

On-behalf State Programs for TPAF Pension, Post-Retirement Medical Benefits Contributions, and Long Term Disability Contributions 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 OMB Circular A-133; 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	\$ 1,074,921
Title I, Part SIA: Grants to Local Education Agencies	
Title II, Part A: Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting	46,750
Total	\$ 1,121,671

NOTE 9. DE MINIMIS INDIRECT COST RATE

The school has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimus indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

Section I – Summary of	Auditor's Results	
Financial Statements Type of auditors' report issued on financial statements		<u>Unmodified</u>
Internal control over financial reporting: 1) Material weakness(es) identified?	Yes	<u>X</u> No
2) Significant deficiencies identified that are not consi be material weaknesses?	idered to Yes	None X Reported
Noncompliance material to basic financial statements noted?	Yes	X No
Federal Awards		
Internal control over major programs: 1) Material weakness(es) identified?	Yes	<u>X</u> No
2) Significant deficiencies identified that are not consi be material weaknesses?	idered to Yes	None X Reported
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major	rprograms	Unm <u>odified</u>
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be repositional accordance with the Uniform Guidance?	orted in Yes	<u>X</u> No
Identification of major federal programs:		
CFDA Number(s)	Name of Federal Program o	or Cluster
<u>84.010A</u>	Title I Part	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A an Type B programs:	d	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	X Yes	No

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

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

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State Awards			
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between T Type B programs:	ype A and		\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		Yes	X No
Internal control over major programs:			
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
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance	for major programs		Unm <u>odified</u>
Any audit findings disclosed that are required t accordance with NJOMB Circular Letter 15-0		Yes	X No
Identification of major state programs:			
GMIS Number(s)	Name	e of State Progr	am
	_STATE AID-PUBLIC	CLUSTER:	
18-495-034-5120-078	EQUALIZATI	ON AID	
18-495-034-5120-089	SPECIAL ED	UCATION CATE	GORICAL AID
<u>18-495-034-5120-084</u>	SECURITY A	AID	
		<u>.</u>	

18-495-034-5120-085

ADJUSTMENT AID_

Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings And Questioned Costs as Prepared by Management For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

Part II -Schedule of 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

Part III – Federal Awards 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, 2018

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.

Findings

No Prior Year Findings