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***COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL  
FINANCIAL REPORT***

***FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019***

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***Freedom Prep Charter School  
Board of Trustees  
Camden, New Jersey***

***Comprehensive Annual Financial Report  
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019***

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FINANCIAL REPORT  
OF THE  
FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL  
CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

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***Freedom Prep Charter School  
Finance Department***

***And***

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***INTRODUCTORY SECTION***

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

December 9, 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, 2019, 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. **REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES:** 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 2018-2019, the Charter School served students in grades K-12.

**Address:** In 2018-2019, the Charter School was located at 1000 Atlantic Ave, Camden New Jersey 08104.

**Facility:** In 2018-2019, the Charter School occupied parts of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> 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 2018-2019 in grades K-12. Freedom Prep Charter School ended the 2018-2019 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 2018-2019 = 995
- Average Daily Attendance = 806
- Average Daily Enrollment = 884

**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, 60 full-time teachers, 3 Operations Managers, 6 Operations Associates, 4 Social Workers, 7 DREAM Coaches, 5 ELL teachers, 10 Special Education teachers, 2.5 Custodians, 2.5 Nurses.

**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**

- In 2018-2019 FP expanded it's leadership team using those who were trained in the DPSS 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 2018-2019 year.

<b>Trusteed</b>	<b>Dates of Service (during FY17)</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Voting/Non-Voting</b>
Keisha Usher-Martin	7/1/18– 6/30/19	President	Voting
Christopher Lessard	7/1/18– 11/30/19	Secretary	Non-Voting
Sean McGrew	7/1/18– 6/30/19	Member	Voting
Anna Russo	3/15/19– 6/30/19	Member	Voting
Carole Kraemer	7/1/18– 6/30/19	Member	Voting
Tighe Burns	7/1/18– 6/30/19	Member	Voting
Tomas Varela	7/1/18 – 6/30/19	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.
- ❖ **PARCC:** PARCC performance for 2018-2019 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.
- ❖ **Bilingual Programming and Support:** 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. INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS:** 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 is 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)**

4. **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, 2019.

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.

6. **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.

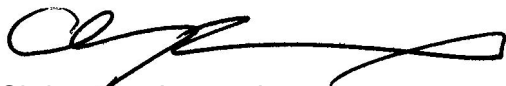
7. **RISK MANAGEMENT:** The Board carries various forms of insurance, including but not limited to general liability, hazard and theft insurance on property and contents, fidelity bonds, and workmen's compensation.

### 8. **OTHER INFORMATION:**

**Independent Audit** - 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

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL  
CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY**

**ROSTER OF OFFICIALS  
JUNE 30, 2019**

**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**POSITION**

Keisha Usher-Martin

President

Carole Kraemer

Vice President

Sean McGrew

Treasurer

Thomas Varela

Member

Tighe Burns

Member

Anna Russo

Member

**OTHER OFFICIALS**

Margaret Marrer

Chief School Administrator

Christopher Lessard

School Business Admin



**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL  
CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY**

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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, 2019, 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, 2019, and the respective changes in the financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### ***Other Matters***

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, following this report, and pension and post-employment 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 through 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 December 9, 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.

  
Barre & Company LLC  
Certified Public Accountants  
Union, New Jersey

  
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Licensed Public School Accountant  
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December 9, 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, 2019  
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, 2019. 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 2019 are as follows:

- ❖ General revenues accounted for \$17,154,148 or 95% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and operating grants and contributions accounted for \$939,741 or 5% of total revenues of \$18,093,889.
- ❖ The Charter School had \$18,645,772 in expenses; only \$939,741 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues of \$17,154,148 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- ❖ Among governmental funds, the General Fund had \$14,415,022 in revenues and \$14,406,855 in expenditures. The General Fund's fund balance increased by \$8,167 over 2018. This increase was anticipated by the Board of Trustees.

#### **Using this Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand 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  
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**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 2019?" 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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**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 37 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 \$ (925,166) on June 30, 2019 and \$ (373,283) on June 30, 2018.

**Governmental Activities**

The Charter School's total revenues were \$17,154,148 for 2019 and \$17,301,991 for 2018, this includes \$322,448 for 2019 and \$371,060 for 2018 of state reimbursed TPAF social security contributions.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**Governmental Activities (Continued)**

The total cost of all program and services were \$17,839,526 for 2019 and \$18,048,272 for 2018. Instruction comprises 37% for 2019 and 38% for 2018 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 \$133,495 for 2019 and expenses exceeded revenues by \$6,813 for 2018.
- ❖ There were \$0 charges for services for 2019 and \$0 for 2018. 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 \$939,741 for 2019 and \$852,946 for 2018.

**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 \$17,154,148 and expenditures were \$15,911,600. The net change in fund balance for the year was most significant in the general fund, an decrease of \$8,167.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**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, 2019, and the amount and percentage of increases and decreases in relation to prior year revenues.

Revenues	Amount	Percent of Total	Increase/ (Decrease) From 2018	Percent of Increase/ (Decrease)
Local Sources	\$ 703,522	4.42%	\$ (1,382,136)	-66.27%
State Sources	13,711,500	86.13%	1,706,741	14.22%
Federal Sources	1,504,745	9.45%	1,504,745	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,919,767</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$ 1,829,350</b>	

The following schedule represents a summary of general fund and special revenue fund expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, and the amount and percentage of decreases in relation to prior year amounts.

Expenditures	Amount	Percent of Total	Increase/ (Decrease) From 2018	Percent of Increase/ (Decrease)
Instruction	\$ 5,944,624	37.36%	\$ (361,535)	-5.73%
Administration	6,616,426	41.58%	1,603,324	31.98%
Support Services	3,304,536	20.77%	49,624	1.52%
Capital Outlay	46,014	0.29%	46,014	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,911,600</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$ 1,337,427</b>	

Changes in expenditures were the results of varying factors.

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**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 \$41,413 invested in capital assets (net) for 2019 and \$0 for 2018.

**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***

**SECTION A – CHARTER SCHOOL – WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Statement of Net Position  
June 30, 2019

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,801,115	\$ 660,704	\$ 2,461,819
Interfund Receivables	704,765		704,765
Receivables	998,348	61,774	1,060,122
Prepaid Expenses	77,980		77,980
Capital Assets, Net	41,413	66,496	107,909
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>3,623,621</b>	<b>788,974</b>	<b>4,412,595</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:</b>			
Pensions	3,143,246		3,143,246
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>3,143,246</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,143,246</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Cash Overdraft			-
Interfund Payable	385,677	313,860	699,537
Payable to State Government	25,000		25,000
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expense	1,810,330		1,810,330
Unearned Revenue	10,664		10,664
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Net Pension Liability	3,521,389		3,521,389
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>5,753,060</b>	<b>313,860</b>	<b>6,066,920</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:</b>			
Pensions	2,414,087		2,414,087
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>2,414,087</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,414,087</b>
<b>NET POSITION:</b>			
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	41,413		41,413
Unrestricted	(1,441,693)	475,114	(966,579)
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ (1,400,280)</b>	<b>\$ 475,114</b>	<b>\$ (925,166)</b>

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

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**

Statement of Activities  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Indirect Expenses Allocation	Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes In Net Position		
			Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	
<b>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:</b>									
Instruction	\$ 5,944,624	\$ 672,882	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (6,617,506)	\$ -	\$ (6,617,506)	
Administration	7,492,304	384,854	-	-	-	(7,877,158)	-	(7,877,158)	
Support Services	3,284,897	55,364	-	-	-	(3,340,261)	-	(3,340,261)	
Unallocated Depreciation	4,601	-	-	-	-	(4,601)	-	(4,601)	
Total Governmental Activities	<u>16,726,426</u>	<u>\$ 1,113,100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(17,839,526)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(17,839,526)</u>	
<b>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:</b>									
Food Service	806,246	-	939,741	-	-	-	133,495	133,495	
Total Business-Type Activities	<u>806,246</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>939,741</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>133,495</u>	<u>133,495</u>	
Total Primary Government	<u>\$ 17,532,672</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ 939,741</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(17,839,526)</u>	<u>\$ 133,495</u>	<u>\$ (17,706,031)</u>	
<b>GENERAL REVENUES</b>									
General Purposes						\$ 530,433	\$ -	\$ 530,433	
Federal and State Aid Not Restricted						16,486,912		16,486,912	
Investment Income						1,915		1,915	
Miscellaneous Income						134,888		134,888	
Total General Revenues						<u>17,154,148</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,154,148</u>	
Change in Net Position						<u>(685,378)</u>	<u>133,495</u>	<u>(551,883)</u>	
Net Position - Beginning of Year						<u>(714,902)</u>	<u>341,619</u>	<u>(373,283)</u>	
Net Position - Ending						<u>\$ (1,400,280)</u>	<u>\$ 475,114</u>	<u>\$ (925,166)</u>	

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



**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, 2019

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Total
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,801,115	\$ -	\$ 1,801,115
Interfund Receivables	704,765		704,765
Receivables from Other Governments	96,111	709,576	805,687
Prepaid Expenses	77,980		77,980
Other Receivables	126,969	65,692	192,661
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,806,940</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 775,268</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,582,208</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:</b>			
Liabilities:			
Interfund Payables	\$ -	\$ 385,677	\$ 385,677
Payables to State Government	25,000		25,000
Payable to District	548,332		548,332
Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	883,071	378,927	1,261,998
Unearned Revenues		10,664	10,664
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b><u>1,456,403</u></b>	<b><u>775,268</u></b>	<b><u>2,231,671</u></b>
Fund Balances:			
Unassigned:			
General Fund	1,350,537		1,350,537
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b><u>1,350,537</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>1,350,537</u></b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,806,940</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 775,268</u></b>	

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds. The cost of the assets is \$465,935 and the accumulated depreciation is \$424,522.

41,413

Net pension liability of \$3,521,389 ,deferred inflows of resources of \$2,414,087 less deferred outflows of resources of \$3,143,246 related to pensions are not reported in the governmental funds

(2,792,230)

Net Position of Governmental Activities

\$ (1,400,280)

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

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 Governmental Funds  
 Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Total
REVENUES:			
Local Sources:			
Local Tax Levy	\$ 530,433	\$ -	\$ 530,433
Interest on Investments	1,915		1,915
Miscellaneous	171,174	84,528	255,702
Total Local Sources	703,522	84,528	788,050
State Sources	13,711,500		13,711,500
Federal Sources		1,420,217	1,420,217
Total Revenues	14,415,022	1,504,745	15,919,767
EXPENDITURES:			
Instruction	5,023,388	921,236	5,944,624
Administration	6,616,426		6,616,426
Support Services	2,721,027	583,509	3,304,536
Capital Outlay	46,014		46,014
Total Expenditures	14,406,855	1,504,745	15,911,600
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	8,167	-	8,167
FUND BALANCES, JULY 1	1,342,370	-	1,342,370
FUND BALANCES, JUNE 30	\$ 1,350,537	\$ -	\$ 1,350,537

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

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 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, 2019

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds (B-2)	\$	8,167
<p>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (A-2) are different because:</p>		
<p>Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, on the statement of activities, the cost of those assets which are capitalized are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense in the current fiscal year.</p>		
Depreciation Expense		41,413
<p>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</p>		
		<u>(734,958)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	<u><u>(685,378)</u></u>

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

***PROPRIETARY FUNDS***

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 Proprietary Fund  
 Statement of Fund Net Position  
 June 30, 2019

	Business-Type Activities
	Food Service
<b>ASSETS:</b>	
Current Assets:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 660,704
Due From Other Funds	
Intergovernmental Accounts Receivable:	
Federal	61,210
State	564
Total Current Assets	722,478
Noncurrent Assets:	
Machinery and Equipment	92,342
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(25,846)
Total Noncurrent Assets	66,496
Total Assets	788,974
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>	
Liabilities:	
Current Liabilities:	
Interfund Accounts Payable	313,860
Accounts Payable	
Total Current Liabilities	313,860
Total Liabilities	313,860
<b>NET ASSETS:</b>	
Unreserved Net Position	475,114
Total Net Position	\$ 475,114
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 788,974

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

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Proprietary Fund  
Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Fund		
	Food Service Program		
	School Nutrition	Fixed Contract Price	Total Enterprise
<b>OPERATING REVENUES:</b>			
Charges for Services:			
Daily Sales Reimbursable Program	\$ -	\$ -	-
Daily Sales Non-reimbursable Program	-	-	-
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>			
Salaries	231,048	-	231,048
Management Fees	29,150	-	29,150
Clean, Repair and Maintenance Service	14,349	-	14,349
Supplies and Materials	29,489	-	29,489
Depreciation Expense	10,026	-	10,026
Cost of Sales- Reimbursable Programs	403,185	-	403,185
Cost of Sales- Non- Reimbursable Programs	-	-	-
Miscellaneous Expenses	40,499	-	40,499
Facilities Expense	48,500	-	48,500
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<u>806,246</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>806,246</u>
<b>OPERATING LOSS</b>	<u>(806,246)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(806,246)</u>
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES:</b>			
State Source:			
State School Lunch Program	8,475	-	8,475
Federal Source:			
National School Lunch Program	507,466	-	507,466
National School Breakfast Program	298,359	-	298,359
Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act	9,261	-	9,261
After School Snacks Program	116,180	-	116,180
<b>Total Nonoperating Revenues</b>	<u>939,741</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>939,741</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>	133,495	-	133,495
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION, JULY 1</b>	<u>341,619</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>341,619</u>
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION, JUNE 30</b>	<u>\$ 475,114</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 475,114</u>

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



**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Proprietary Fund  
Statement of Cash Flows  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Business-Type Activities
	Food Service
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Cash Received from Customers	\$ -
Cash Payments to Suppliers and Employees	(522,478)
Net Cash Used In Operating Activities	(522,478)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Cash Received From State And Federal Reimbursements	1,028,318
Net Cash Provided By Noncapital Financing Activities	1,028,318
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Acquisition And Construction Of Capital Assets	(44,321)
Net Cash Used For Capital And Related Financing Activities	(44,321)
Net Increase (Decrease) In Cash And Cash Equivalents	461,519
Cash And Cash Equivalents, Beginning Of Year	199,185
Cash And Cash Equivalents, End Of Year	\$ 660,704
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:</b>	
Operating Loss Used In Operating Activities	\$ (806,246)
Depreciation	10,026
Change In Assets And Liabilities:	
(Increase) Decrease In Due From Other Funds	
Increase In Interfund Payable	311,694
Increase In Accounts Payable	(37,952)
Net Cash Used In Operating Activities	\$ (522,478)

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

***FIDUCIARY FUNDS***

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 Fiduciary Funds  
 Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position  
 June 30, 2019

	<u>Unemployment Compensation Insurance</u>	<u>Total Agency Fund</u>
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 51,074	\$ 81,919
Total Assets	<u>51,074</u>	<u>\$ 81,919</u>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
Interfund Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ 5,228
Accounts Payable	40,627	-
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings		72,954
Due to Student Groups		<u>3,737</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>40,627</u>	<u>\$ 81,919</u>
<b>NET POSITION:</b>		
Unreserved	<u>10,447</u>	
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 10,447</u>	

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

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 Fiduciary Funds  
 Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	<u>Unemployment Compensation Insurance</u>
ADDITIONS:	
Contributions:	
Employee	<u>\$ 83,014</u>
Total Additions	<u>83,014</u>
DEDUCTIONS:	
Unemployment Claims Paid	<u>72,132</u>
Total Deductions	<u>72,132</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	10,882
NET POSITION, JULY 1	<u>(435)</u>
NET POSITION, JUNE 30	<u><u>\$ 10,447</u></u>

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

***NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS***

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2019**

**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.

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation**

**Charter School-Wide Financial Statements** – 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.

**Governmental Fund Financial Statements** – 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.

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**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 resources. 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**

**General Fund** – 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



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**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.

**Special Revenue Fund** – 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.

**Proprietary Funds** – 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.

**Debt Service Fund**: 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:

**Fiduciary Funds** – 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.

**Agency Funds** – 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.

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**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).

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**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.

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**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:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Estimated Useful Lives</b>
Building Improvements	20
Office & Computer Equipment	5-10

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**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. Unearned Revenue**

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.
- Unassigned – includes balance within the General Fund which has not been classified within the above mentioned categories and negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

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**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 2019, the District adopted the following GASB statement as required:

GASB No. 88, *Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, Including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements*. 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 will improve financial reporting by providing users of financial statements with essential information that currently is not consistency provided. In addition, information about resources to liquidate debt and the risks associated with changes in terms association with debt will be disclosed.

**The GASB has issued the following Statements that will become effective for the Charter School for fiscal years ending after June 30, 2019**

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

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

and how those activities should be reported. This Statement established criteria for identifying fiduciary activities of all state and local governments.

GASB No. 87, *Leases*, will be effective with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. This Statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract.

**J. Subsequent Events**

The Freedom Prep Charter School has evaluated subsequent events occurring after June 30, 2019 through the date of December 9, 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.

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**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.



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

**Investments (Continued)**

As of June 30, 2019, cash and cash equivalents and investments of the Charter School consisted of the following:

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Proprietary Fund	Fiduciary Funds	Total
Operating Account	\$ 1,801,115	\$ -	\$ 660,704	\$ 132,993	\$ 2,594,812

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, 2019 was \$2,594,812 and the bank balance was \$3,248,413. 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:

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

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

Category 3 — 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, 2019, 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.

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**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, 2019, the Charter School had no funds on deposit with the New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

**NOTE 3: RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at June 30, 2019, 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:

	Governmental Fund Financial Statements	Governmental Wide Financial Statements
State Aid	\$ 126,969	\$ 127,533
Federal Aid	857,331	918,541
Other	14,048	14,048
Gross Receivables	998,348	1,060,122
Less: Allowance for Uncollectibles	-	-
Total Receivables, Net	\$ 998,348	\$ 1,060,122

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**NOTE 4: INTERFUND TRANSFERS AND BALANCES**

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

The following interfund balances remained on the fund financial statements at June 30, 2019:

Fund	Interfund Receivable	Interfund Payable
General Fund	704,765	\$ -
Special Revenue Fund		385,677
Proprietary Fund		313,860
Fiduciary Fund		5,228
Total	<u>\$ 704,765</u>	<u>\$ 704,765</u>

**NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Retirements	Ending Balance
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
<i>Capital Assets Being Depreciated:</i>				
Machinery and Equipment	\$ 419,921	\$ 46,014	\$ -	\$ 465,935
Totals at Historical Cost	419,921	46,014	-	465,935
Less Accumulated Depreciation For:				
Machinery and Equipment	419,921	4,601	-	424,522
Total Accumulated Depreciation	419,921	4,601	-	424,522
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	-	41,413	-	41,413
Government Activity Capital Assets, Net	\$ -	\$ 41,413	\$ -	\$ 41,413

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 \$4,601 was charged to an unallocated function.

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**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 renewed with a 10 year period commencing on July 8, 2018 to July 8, 2028 with an option for two additional five year terms and includes annual rent increases of 2.5% per renewal year. Rents for the remainder of the lease are as follows:

<b>School Year</b>	<b>Rent Expense</b>
2019-2020	\$ 995,664
2020-2021	1,025,533
2021-2022	1,025,533
2022-2023	1,056,299
2023-2024	1,087,988
Thereafter	4,449,872
Total	\$ 9,640,889

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 total rent expense amounted to \$1,085,120.

**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)**

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

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**NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)**

**Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)**

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

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

Service retirement benefits of 1/55<sup>th</sup> 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 1/60<sup>th</sup> 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.

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**NOTE 7: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)**

**Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)**

**Basis of Presentation**

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 ratio of the contributions of an individual employer to the total contributions to PERS during the measurement period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. 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.

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, 2018 are based on the ratio of each employer's contributions to total employer contributions of the group for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.

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**Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)**

**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 2018, 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 \$ 182,159 for fiscal year 2018.

**Pension Liabilities Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

At June 30, 2019, the Charter School reported a liability of \$ 3,521,389 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2018. 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, 2018, the Charter School's proportion was 0.01788460%, which was a decrease of -0.00645614% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2017.

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**Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)**

**Pension Liabilities Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the Charter School recognized pension expense of \$ 182,159 . At June 30, 2018, 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	\$ 580,267	\$ 1,125,953
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 67,153	-
Changes in Proportion	\$ 2,513,983	1,255,103
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	\$ -	33,031
	<u>\$ 3,161,403</u>	<u>\$ 2,414,087</u>

*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 5.63, 5.48, 5.57, 5.72 and 6.44 years for the 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, and 2014 amounts, respectively.



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**Pension Liabilities Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)**

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
2019	\$ 24,440
2020	(33,838)
2021	(242,645)
2022	(210,328)
2023	(67,350)
	\$ (529,721)

**Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2018 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2017 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2018. The total pension liability for the June 30, 2017 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuations as of July 1, 2017. 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%

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. 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

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**Actuarial Assumptions (Continued)**

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, 2018) 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, 2018 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Risk Mitigation Strategies	5.00%	5.51%
Cash Equivalents	5.50%	1.00%
U.S. Treasuries	3.00%	1.87%
Investment Grade Credit	10.00%	3.78%
High Yield	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%

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**Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.66% as of June 30, 2018. 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 3.87% as of June 30, 2018 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 June 30, 2046. Therefore the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through June 30, 2046 and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

**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, 2018 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 Ended June 30, 2018			
	1% Decrease (4.66%)	Current Discount Rate (5.66%)	1% Increase (6.66%)
Charter School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 4,427,740	\$ 3,521,389	\$ 2,761,017

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017			
	1% Decrease (4.00%)	Current Discount Rate (5.00%)	1% Increase (6.00%)
Charter School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 7,029,225	\$ 5,666,135	\$ 4,530,512

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**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. Teacher’s Pension Annuity Fund (TPAF)**

**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](http://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:

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

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**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 member retires prior to the age of which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Deferred retirement is available to members who have 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, 2018. 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 2018, 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.

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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 2019, the State of New Jersey contributed \$ 73,975 to the TPAF for normal pension benefits on behalf of the Charter School, which is less than the contractually required contribution of \$ 617,153 .

The employee contribution rate was 6.92% effective July 1, 2014. Subsequent increases after October 1, 2011 are being phased in over 7 years effective on each July 1<sup>st</sup> to bring the total pension contribution rate to 7.5% of base salary as of July 1, 2018.

As June 30, 2019, the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Charter School was \$ 25,972,872 . The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2018, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2017 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2018.

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, 2018, Charter School's proportion was 0.0408264%, which was a decrease of -0.0104816% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2017.

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	<u>25,972,872</u>
Total	<u>\$ 25,972,872</u>

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, the State recognized pension expense on behalf of the Charter School in the amount of \$ 617,153 and the Charter School recognized pension expense and revenue for that same amount in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 financial statements.

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**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)**

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	\$ 11,053,759,853	\$ 16,078,750,001
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	1,420,239,017	96,229,812
Changes in Proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	-	-
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	-	5,793,830
	\$ 12,473,998,870	\$ 16,180,773,643

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	\$ 401,574,312
2019	208,932,249
2020	(222,922,941)
2021	(149,225,008)
2022	(735,040,983)
Thereafter	(3,210,092,402)
	\$ (3,706,774,773)

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**Actuarial Assumptions (Continued)**

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2018 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2017 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2018. 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 mortality rates were based on the RP-2006 Employee White Collar Mortality Tables, set back 3 years for males and 5 years for females, projected on a generational basis from a base year of 2006 using a 60-year average of improvement rates based on Social Security data from 1953 to 2013. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2006 Healthy Annuitant White Collar Mortality Tables, with adjustments as described in the latest experience study, projected on a generational basis from a base year of 2006 using a 60-year average of improvement rates based on Social Security data from 1953 to 2013. Disability mortality rates were based on the RP-2006 Disabled Retiree Mortality Tables with rates adjusted by 90%. No mortality improvement is assumed for disabled retiree mortality.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2017 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2017.

**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 expected 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:



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**Long Term Expected Rate of Return (continued)**

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Risk mitigation strategies	5.00%	5.51%
Cash equivalents	5.50%	1.00%
U.S. Treasuries	3.00%	1.87%
Investment grade credit	10.00%	3.78%
High Yield	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 – TPAF**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 4.86% as of June 30, 2018. 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 3.87% as of June 30, 2018 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. The State employer contributed 50% 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 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.

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

The following presents the net pension liability of the State as of June 30, 2018 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:

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018			
	1% Decrease (3.86%)	Current Discount Rate (4.86%)	1% Increase (5.86%)
Charter School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 30,790,411	\$ 26,049,836	\$ 22,120,014

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017			
	1% Decrease (3.25%)	Current Discount Rate (4.25%)	1% Increase (5.25%)
Charter School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 24,395,499	\$ 20,534,390	\$ 17,353,591

**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.

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**Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP) (continued)**

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, 2019. There were no employee contributions to DCRP for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.

**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.

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.

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**NOTE 8: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)**

**General Information about the OPEB Plan (continued)**

Plan Description and Benefits Provided (continued)

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, 2018, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Active plan member	217,131
Inactive plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	145,050
Inactive plan members or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	<u>-</u>
Total	<u><u>362,181</u></u>

Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability

The total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2018 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2017, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2018.

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**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%	<u>TPAF/ABP</u>	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>
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.

100% of all retirees who currently have healthcare coverage are assumed to continue with that coverage. 100% of active members are considered to participate in the Plan upon retirement, having a coverage blend of 85% and 15% in PPO and HMO, respectively.

Health Care Trend Assumptions

For pre-Medicare preferred provider organization (PPO) medical benefits, this amount initially is 5.8% 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 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 8.0% 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.

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**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.

	Total OPEB Liability
Balance at June 30, 2017	\$ 5,539,924
Service cost	1,251,791
Interest on Total OPEB Liability	241,335
Effect on Changes of Benefit Terms	
Difference between expected and actual experience	(2,530,387)
Effect of Changes of Assumptions	(453,022)
Effect of Changes of Proportion	
Contributions - Employee	3,648
Gross Benefits Paid by the State	(105,561)
Net Changes	(1,592,196)
Balance at June 30, 2018	3,947,728

Sensitivity of Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate:

The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2018 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:

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018		
	At 1% Decrease (2.87%)	At current discount rate (3.87%)	At 1% Increase (4.87%)
	Total OPEB Liability	\$ 4,667,018	\$ 3,947,728

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL  
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**NOTE 8: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)**

Sensitivity of Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Trend Rate:

The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2018 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, 2018		
	At 1% decrease	Trend Rate	At 1% Increase
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 3,263,027	\$ 3,947,728	\$ 4,853,271

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

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 the Charter School recognized OPEB expense of \$ 1,234,381 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.

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 Of Resources	Deferred Inflows Of Resources
Difference between Actual and Expected Experience	\$ -	\$ 383,215
Net Difference between Expected and Actual Earnings on OPEB Plan Investments	-	-
Assumption Changes	-	(884,903)
Sub Total	-	(501,688)
Contributions Made in Fiscal Year 2019 after June 30, 2018 Measurement Date	N/A	N/A
Total	-	(501,688)

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL  
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JUNE 30, 2019**

**NOTE 8: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)**

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (continued)

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,		
2019	\$	(156,264)
2020	\$	(156,264)
2021	\$	(156,264)
2022	\$	(156,264)
2023	\$	(156,264)
Total Thereafter	\$	<u>(486,798)</u>
	\$	<u>(1,268,119)</u>

**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.



**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2019**

**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 \$1,350,537 General Fund fund balance at June 30, 2019, \$1,350,537 is unassigned and none is assigned.

**NOTE 12: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events were evaluated through December 9, 2019 the date the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no subsequent events to report.

***REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART II***

***SECTION C – BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE***

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
General Fund  
Budgetary Comparison Schedule  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
Local Levy Budget:					
"Local Levy" Local Share-Charter School Aid	\$ 666,237	\$ -	\$ 666,237	\$ 530,433	\$ (135,804)
Total Local Levy Budget	666,237	-	666,237	530,433	(135,804)
Categorical Aid:					
Equalization Aid					
"Local Levy" State Share-Charter School Aid	12,055,147		12,055,147	11,253,025	(802,122)
Special Education	566,474		566,474	570,765	4,291
Security Aid	455,918		455,918	412,671	(43,247)
Total Categorical Aid	13,077,539	-	13,077,539	12,236,461	(841,078)
Revenues From Other Sources:					
Interest Income				1,915	1,915
Miscellaneous Revenue				171,144	171,144
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Aid (Non-Budgeted)				790,652	790,652
On-Behalf TPAF Post Retirement Medical Aid (Non-Budgeted)				358,638	358,638
On-Behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Aid (Non-Budgeted)				3,301	3,301
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contributions (Non-Budgeted)				322,448	322,448
Total Revenues From Other Sources	-	-	-	1,648,128	1,648,128
Total Revenues	13,743,776	-	13,743,776	14,415,022	671,246
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>					
Instruction:					
Salaries of Teachers: Kindergarten	236,200	-	236,200	236,200	-
Salaries of Teachers: Grades 1-5	1,232,983	(143,674)	1,089,309	1,089,236	73
Salaries of Teachers: Grades 6-8	1,695,183	(304,652)	1,390,531	1,390,531	-
Salaries of Teachers: Grades 9-12	1,626,452	(25,514)	1,600,938	1,600,838	100
Purchased Prof/Tech Services	99,923	(54,000)	45,923	45,921	2
Other Purchased Services	341,959	(183,320)	158,639	158,634	5
General Supplies	552,528	(346,221)	206,307	173,039	33,268
Textbooks	116,184	(97,948)	18,236	12,964	5,272
Miscellaneous	617,103	(301,078)	316,025	316,025	-
Total Instruction	6,518,515	(1,456,407)	5,062,108	5,023,388	38,720
Administration:					
Salaries - General Administration	2,126,813	(550,334)	1,576,479	1,573,669	2,810
Total Benefits Cost	2,650,002	(1,165,872)	1,484,130	1,464,153	19,977
Purchases Prof/Tech Services	3,820,754	(1,904,428)	1,916,326	1,866,364	49,962
Other Purchased Services	116,390	(63,790)	52,600	34,787	17,813
Communications/Telephone	204,523	(98,422)	106,101	105,792	309
Supplies and Materials	57,090	(31,045)	26,045	11,604	14,441
Miscellaneous Expenses	231,695	(124,311)	107,384	85,018	22,366
Total Administration	9,207,267	(3,938,202)	5,269,065	5,141,387	127,678

See Management's Discussion and Analysis section of this report for explanation of significant budget variances, original and final.

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
General Fund  
Budgetary Comparison Schedule  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
(Continued from Prior Page)					
Support Services:					
Salaries	\$ 788,562	\$ (477,798)	\$ 310,764	\$ 308,322	\$ 2,442
Purchased Prof/Tech Services	718,969	(207,484)	511,485	418,181	93,304
Rental of Land and Buildings	2,170,863	(1,085,743)	1,085,120	1,085,120	-
Transportation-Other Than To/From School	1,400,634	(619,044)	781,590	771,970	9,620
Insurance for Property, Liability and Fidelity	141,361	(75,681)	65,680	62,891	2,789
Supplies and Materials	127,333	(64,345)	62,988	53,061	9,927
Miscellaneous Expenses	39,796	(7,780)	32,016	21,482	10,534
<b>Total Support Services</b>	<b>5,387,518</b>	<b>(2,537,875)</b>	<b>2,849,643</b>	<b>2,721,027</b>	<b>128,616</b>
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contributions (Non-Budgeted)			-	790,652	(790,652)
On-Behalf TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Contributions (Non-Budgeted)				358,638	(358,638)
On-Behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Contributions (Non-Budgeted)				3,301	(3,301)
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contributions (Non-Budgeted)				322,448	(322,448)
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>21,159,315</b>	<b>(7,932,484)</b>	<b>13,226,831</b>	<b>14,406,855</b>	<b>(1,180,024)</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	(7,415,539)	7,932,484	516,945	8,167	(508,778)
<b>FUND BALANCE, JULY 1</b>	<b>1,342,369</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1,342,370</b>	<b>1,342,370</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30</b>	<b>\$ (6,073,170)</b>	<b>\$ 7,932,485</b>	<b>\$ 1,859,315</b>	<b>\$ 1,350,537</b>	<b>\$ (508,778)</b>
Recapitulation of Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures Budgeted Fund Balance	\$ (6,073,170)	\$ 7,932,485	\$ 1,859,315	\$ 1,350,537	\$ (508,778)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ (6,073,170)</b>	<b>\$ 7,932,485</b>	<b>\$ 1,859,315</b>	<b>\$ 1,350,537</b>	<b>\$ (508,778)</b>

See Management's Discussion and Analysis section of this report for explanation of significant budget variances, original and final.

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Special Revenue Fund  
Budgetary Comparison Schedule  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
Federal Sources	\$ 1,629,294	\$ (184,851)	\$ 1,444,443	\$ 1,420,217	\$ (24,226)
Other Sources	\$ 195,000	\$ 10,000	205,000	\$ 84,528	(120,472)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>1,824,294</b>	<b>(174,851)</b>	<b>1,649,443</b>	<b>1,504,745</b>	<b>(144,698)</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>					
Instruction:					
Salaries of Teachers	837,932		837,932	837,932	-
Other Salaries for Instruction	15,000		15,000	15,000	-
Purchased Prof/Tech Services	22,500		22,500		22,500
Other Purchased Services	10,000		10,000	4,330	5,670
General Supplies	64,272		64,272	63,974	298
<b>Total Instruction</b>	<b>949,704</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>949,704</b>	<b>921,236</b>	<b>28,468</b>
Support Services:					
Support Salaries	142,404		142,404	112,404	30,000
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	331,173		331,173	331,173	-
Purchased Prof/Ed Services	30,000		30,000	14,506	15,494
Other Purchased Services	22,334		22,334	21,434	900
Supplies and Materials	125,000	10,000	135,000	65,692	69,308
Miscellaneous Expenditures	1,354,107	(1,315,279)	38,828	38,300	528
<b>Total Support Services</b>	<b>2,005,018</b>	<b>(1,305,279)</b>	<b>699,739</b>	<b>583,509</b>	<b>116,230</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>2,954,722</b>	<b>(1,305,279)</b>	<b>1,649,443</b>	<b>1,504,745</b>	<b>144,698</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)</b>					
<b>Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>\$ (1,130,428)</b>	<b>\$ 1,130,428</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

***NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION – PART II***

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 Budgetary Comparison Schedule  
 Budget To GAAP Reconciliation  
 Note to RSI  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

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

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>
<b>Sources/Inflows of Resources</b>		
Actual amounts (budgetary) "revenues" from the budgetary comparison schedules	<b>[C-1]</b> \$ 14,415,022	<b>[C-2]</b> 1,504,745
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Total revenues as reports on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance - governmental funds.	<b>[B-2]</b> \$ <u>14,415,022</u>	<b>[B-2]</b> \$ <u>1,504,745</u>
 <b>Uses/Outflows of resources</b>		
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total outflows" from the budgetary comparison schedule	<b>[C-1]</b> \$ 14,406,855	<b>[C-2]</b> \$ 1,504,745
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Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances - governmental funds.	<b>[B-2]</b> \$ <u>14,406,855</u>	<b>[B-2]</b> \$ <u>1,504,745</u>



***REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART III***

***SECTION L – SCHEDULES RELATED TO ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FOR  
PENSIONS (GASB 68)***

**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 SIX FISCAL YEARS**  
**UNAUDITED**

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,					
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.004557260%	0.004210287%	0.024340740%	0.010224200%	0.024340740%	0.017884600%
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 870,982	\$ 788,281	\$ 779,293	\$ 3,028,104	\$ 5,666,136	\$ 3,521,389
Charter School's covered employees payroll	\$ 179,904	\$ 391,189	\$ 968,807	\$ 1,333,808	\$ 1,209,844	\$ 1,979,014
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of it's covered employee payroll	484%	202%	80%	227%	468%	178%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	48.72%	52.08%	47.93%	45.37%	51.55%	53.60%

Note: This schedule does not contain ten years of information as GASB No. 68 was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

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

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,					
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Contractually required contribution	\$ 34,338	\$ 35,621	\$ 30,764	\$ 91,758	\$ 241,469	\$ 182,159
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(34,338)	(35,621)	(30,764)	(91,758)	(241,469)	(182,159)
Contribution deficiency/(excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Charter School's covered employee payroll	\$ 179,904	\$ 393,189	\$ 968,807	\$ 1,333,808	\$ 1,209,844	\$ 1,979,014
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	19.09%	9.06%	3.18%	6.88%	19.96%	9.20%

Note: This schedule does not contain ten years of information as GASB No. 68 was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

**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 SIX FISCAL YEARS**  
**UNAUDITED**

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,					
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
State's proportion of the net pension liability attributable of the Charter School	0.0140738%	0.0128181%	0.0138294%	0.1560100%	0.0303448%	0.04082640%
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	\$25,972,872
Charter School's covered employees payroll	\$1,272,903	\$1,429,773	\$2,864,587	\$ 3,742,939	\$ 4,039,602	\$ 4,293,389
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%	604.95%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	33.76%	33.64%	28.71%	22.33%	22.33%	25.41%

Note: This schedule does not contain ten years of information as GASB No. 68 was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULES**  
**SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS**  
**TEACHER'S PENSION AND ANNUITY FUND**  
**LAST SIX FISCAL YEARS**  
**UNAUDITED**

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,					
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Contractually required contribution	\$ 91,151	\$ 54,450	\$ 74,323	\$ 124,246	\$ 340,743	\$ 617,153
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(41,510)	(42,696)	(14,055)	(34,314)	(58,527)	(73,975)
Contribution deficiency/(excess)	<u>\$ 49,641</u>	<u>\$ 11,754</u>	<u>\$ 60,268</u>	<u>\$ 89,932</u>	<u>\$ 282,216</u>	<u>\$ 543,178</u>
Charter School's covered employee payroll	\$1,272,903	\$1,429,773	\$2,864,587	\$3,742,939	\$4,039,602	\$ 4,293,389
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	7.16%	3.81%	2.59%	3.32%	8.44%	14.37%

Note: This schedule does not contain ten years of information as GASB No. 68 was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

**SECTION M – SCHEDULES RELATED TO ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FOR  
OPEB (GASB 75)**

**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	June 30, 2019
OPEB Liability at Beginning of Measurement Period	\$	5,090,931	\$ 5,539,924
Service cost		1,529,307	1,251,791
Interest on Total OPEB Liability		186,928	241,335
Difference between expected and actual experience	NOT AVAILABLE		(2,530,387)
Effect of Changes of Assumptions		(1,143,651)	(453,022)
Contributions - Employee		4,725	3,648
Gross Benefits Paid by the State		(128,316)	(105,561)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability		448,993	(1,592,196)
OPEB Liability at Beginning of Measurement Period	NOT AVAILABLE	5,090,931	5,539,924
Total OPEB Liability at End of Measurement Period	5,539,924	5,539,924	3,947,728

*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

*Differences Between Expected and Actual Experiences:*

There is no change in the Total OPEB Liability from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017 due to differences in expenses and actual experiences. The decrease in liability from June 30, 2017 to June 30, 2018 is due to changes in census, claims and premiums experience

*Changes in Assumptions:*

The decrease in the liability from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017 is due to the increase in the assumed discount rate from 2.85% to 3.58% as of June 30, 2017 and as of June 30, 2018, respectively.

The decrease in the liability from June 30, 2017 to June 30, 2018 is due to the increase in the assumed discount rate from 3.58% as of June 30, 2017 to 3.87% as of June 30, 2018; and a decrease in the assumed health care cost trend and excise tax assumptions.



***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 5.00% as of June 30, 2017 to 5.66% as of June 30, 2018.

**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 4.25% as of June 30, 2017 to 4.86% as of June 30, 2018.

***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, 2019

	Local Grants	Title I	IDEA	Title III	Total
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
Federal Sources	\$ -	1,170,673	\$ 187,038	62,506	\$ 1,420,217
Other Sources	84,528				84,528
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 84,528</b>	<b>\$ 1,170,673</b>	<b>\$ 187,038</b>	<b>\$ 62,506</b>	<b>\$ 1,504,745</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>					
Instruction:					
Salaries of Teachers	\$ -	\$ 780,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 2,932	\$ 837,932
Other Salaries for Instruction			15,000		15,000
Other Purchased Services	4,330				4,330
General Supplies		63,974			63,974
<b>Total Instruction</b>	<b>4,330</b>	<b>843,974</b>	<b>70,000</b>	<b>2,932</b>	<b>921,236</b>
Support Services:					
Support Salaries			58,758	43,662	102,420
Salaries of Program Directors		9,984		9,984	9,984
Employee Benefits		258,416	58,280	14,477	331,173
Other Purchased Services	14,506	21,434			35,940
Supplies and Materials	65,692				65,692
Miscellaneous Expenditures		36,865		1,435	38,300
<b>Total Support Services</b>	<b>80,198</b>	<b>326,699</b>	<b>117,038</b>	<b>59,574</b>	<b>583,509</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 84,528</b>	<b>\$ 1,170,673</b>	<b>\$ 187,038</b>	<b>\$ 62,506</b>	<b>\$ 1,504,745</b>

**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.***



**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Fiduciary Funds  
Combining Statement of Fiduciary Position  
June 30, 2019

	Trust	Agency			
	Unemployment Compensation Insurance	Payroll Agency	Net Payroll	Student Activities	Agency Funds
ASSETS:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 51,074	\$ 75,181	\$ 3,001	\$ 3,737	\$ 81,919
Total Assets	<u>51,074</u>	<u>\$ 75,181</u>	<u>\$ 3,001</u>	<u>\$ 3,737</u>	<u>\$ 81,919</u>
LIABILITIES:					
Interfund Accounts Payable		2,227	3,001	-	5,228
Accounts Payable	40,627	-	-	-	-
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Due to Student Groups		72,954		3,737	72,954 3,737
Total Liabilities	<u>40,627</u>	<u>\$ 75,181</u>	<u>\$ 3,001</u>	<u>\$ 3,737</u>	<u>\$ 81,919</u>
NET POSITION:					
Unreserved	<u>10,447</u>				
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 10,447</u>				

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 Fiduciary Funds  
 Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	<u>Unemployment Compensation Insurance</u>
ADDITIONS:	
Contributions	
Employee	<u>\$ 83,014</u>
Total Additions	<u>83,014</u>
DEDUCTIONS:	
Unemployment Claims Paid	<u>72,132</u>
Total Deductions	<u>72,132</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	10,882
NET POSITION, JULY 1	<u>(435)</u>
NET POSITION, JUNE 30	<u><u>\$ 10,447</u></u>

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 Fiduciary Funds  
 Student Activity Agency Fund  
 Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Balance July 1, 2018	Cash Receipts	Cash Disbursements	Balance June 30, 2019
Cash	\$ 571	\$ 5,611	\$ 2,445	\$ 3,737
Total	<u>\$ 571</u>	<u>\$ 5,611</u>	<u>\$ 2,445</u>	<u>\$ 3,737</u>

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 Fiduciary Funds  
 Payroll Agency Fund  
 Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Balance July 1, 2018	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2019
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 53,262	\$ 3,057,834	\$ 3,035,915	\$ 75,181
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>\$ 53,262</u>	<u>\$ 3,057,834</u>	<u>\$ 3,035,915</u>	<u>\$ 75,181</u>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Interfund Accounts Payable	\$ 11,063	\$ 3,100,033	\$ 3,066,670	\$ 44,426
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>\$ 53,262</u>	<u>\$ 3,130,788</u>	<u>\$ 3,108,869</u>	<u>\$ 75,181</u>

**STATISTICAL SECTION  
(UNAUDITED)**

***GASB requires that ten years of statistical data be presented. The following information is presented utilizing information available. Each year thereafter, an additional year's data will be included until ten years of data is presented.***

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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.*

***FINANCIAL TRENDS***

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 Net Assets/Position by Component  
 Last Ten Fiscal Years  
*(accrual basis of accounting)*

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
<b>Governmental Activities</b>										
Net Investment in Capital Assets/ Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 41,413	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,528	\$ -	\$ 46,520	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Restricted	(1,441,693)	(714,902)	157,692	1,009,379	100,558	133,185	176,208	142,880	155,001	184,802
Unrestricted	(1,400,280)	(714,902)	157,692	1,013,907	636,539	511,802	850,647	408,021	(3,484)	531,238
<b>Total Governmental Activities Net Assets/Position</b>	<b>\$ (1,400,280)</b>	<b>\$ (714,902)</b>	<b>\$ 157,692</b>	<b>\$ 1,013,907</b>	<b>\$ 737,097</b>	<b>\$ 691,507</b>	<b>\$ 1,026,855</b>	<b>\$ 550,901</b>	<b>\$ 151,517</b>	<b>\$ 716,040</b>
<b>Business-Type Activities</b>										
Unrestricted	\$ 475,114	\$ 341,619	\$ 334,806	\$ 55,425	\$ 304	\$ 91,002	\$ 106,944	\$ 125,197	\$ 59,829	\$ 11,597
<b>Total Business-Type Activities Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 475,114</b>	<b>\$ 341,619</b>	<b>\$ 334,806</b>	<b>\$ 55,425</b>	<b>\$ 304</b>	<b>\$ 91,002</b>	<b>\$ 106,944</b>	<b>\$ 125,197</b>	<b>\$ 59,829</b>	<b>\$ 11,597</b>
<b>Charter School-wide</b>										
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 41,413	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,528	\$ -	\$ 46,520	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Restricted	(966,579)	(373,283)	492,498	1,064,804	100,558	133,185	176,208	142,880	155,001	184,802
Unrestricted	(925,166)	(373,283)	492,498	1,069,332	636,843	602,804	957,591	533,218	56,345	542,835
<b>Total Charter School-wide Net Assets/Position</b>	<b>\$ (925,166)</b>	<b>\$ (373,283)</b>	<b>\$ 492,498</b>	<b>\$ 1,069,332</b>	<b>\$ 737,401</b>	<b>\$ 782,509</b>	<b>\$ 1,133,799</b>	<b>\$ 676,098</b>	<b>\$ 211,346</b>	<b>\$ 727,637</b>



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

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
<b>Expenses</b>										
Governmental Activities:										
Instruction	\$ 6,617,506	\$ 6,886,834	\$ 4,957,677	\$ 4,455,813	\$ 1,792,925	\$ 1,787,295	\$ 1,680,212	\$ 1,447,522	\$ 1,451,402	\$ 1,668,078
Administration	7,877,158	7,742,466	6,140,957	3,942,779	1,183,930	1,112,647	961,091	920,714	1,264,895	1,093,152
Support Services	3,340,261	3,418,972	3,095,908	1,810,724	668,276	730,313	700,379	600,363	693,563	666,454
Capital Outlay	-	-	360,096	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unallocated Benefits	-	-	-	-	267,014	311,899	251,906	183,265	-	-
Unallocated Depreciation	4,601	-	4,528	40,877	40,877	40,621	39,851	29,000	29,801	12,857
Fixed Asset Appraisal Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	(5,132)	(60,734)	-	-	-
Total Governmental Activities Expenses	<u>\$ 17,839,526</u>	<u>\$ 18,048,272</u>	<u>\$ 14,559,166</u>	<u>\$ 10,250,193</u>	<u>\$ 3,953,022</u>	<u>\$ 3,977,643</u>	<u>\$ 3,572,705</u>	<u>\$ 3,180,864</u>	<u>\$ 3,439,661</u>	<u>\$ 3,440,541</u>
Business-Type Activities:										
Food Service	806,246	846,181	597,748	780,068	780,068	761,186	733,354	668,988	121,181	149,614
Total Business-Type Activities Expenses	<u>806,246</u>	<u>846,181</u>	<u>597,748</u>	<u>780,068</u>	<u>780,068</u>	<u>761,186</u>	<u>733,354</u>	<u>668,988</u>	<u>121,181</u>	<u>149,614</u>
Total Charter School Expenses	<u>\$ 18,645,772</u>	<u>\$ 18,894,453</u>	<u>\$ 15,156,914</u>	<u>\$ 11,030,261</u>	<u>\$ 4,733,090</u>	<u>\$ 4,738,829</u>	<u>\$ 4,306,059</u>	<u>\$ 3,849,852</u>	<u>\$ 3,560,842</u>	<u>\$ 3,590,155</u>
<b>Program Revenues</b>										
Governmental Activities:										
Capital Grants and Contributions	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 324,493	\$ 139,910	\$ 378,487	\$ 241,725	\$ 360,330	\$ 262,292
Total Governmental Activities Expenses	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 324,493</u>	<u>\$ 139,910</u>	<u>\$ 378,487</u>	<u>\$ 241,725</u>	<u>\$ 360,330</u>	<u>\$ 262,292</u>
Business-Type Activities:										
Charges for Services	-	-	-	-	231	3,874	1,174	257	34,116	-
Operating Grants and Contributions	939,741	852,946	793,981	585,130	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Grants and Contributions	-	-	-	-	136,512	143,622	151,148	148,969	135,145	161,211
Transfers	-	-	-	-	10,000	-	-	-	-	-
Total Business-Type Activities Expenses	<u>939,741</u>	<u>852,946</u>	<u>793,981</u>	<u>585,130</u>	<u>146,743</u>	<u>147,496</u>	<u>152,322</u>	<u>149,226</u>	<u>169,261</u>	<u>161,211</u>
Total Charter School Program Revenue	<u>\$ 939,741</u>	<u>\$ 852,946</u>	<u>\$ 793,981</u>	<u>\$ 585,130</u>	<u>\$ 471,236</u>	<u>\$ 287,406</u>	<u>\$ 530,809</u>	<u>\$ 390,951</u>	<u>\$ 529,591</u>	<u>\$ 423,503</u>
<b>Net (Expense)/Revenue</b>										
Governmental Activities	\$ (17,839,526)	\$ (18,048,272)	\$ (14,559,166)	\$ (10,250,193)	\$ (3,628,529)	\$ (3,837,733)	\$ (3,194,218)	\$ (2,939,139)	\$ (3,079,331)	\$ (3,178,249)
Business-Type Activities	133,495	6,765	196,233	55,121	(35,577)	(15,942)	(18,253)	10,247	48,080	11,597
Total Charter School Net Expense	<u>\$ (17,706,031)</u>	<u>\$ (18,041,507)</u>	<u>\$ (14,362,933)</u>	<u>\$ (10,195,072)</u>	<u>\$ (3,664,106)</u>	<u>\$ (3,853,675)</u>	<u>\$ (3,212,471)</u>	<u>\$ (2,928,892)</u>	<u>\$ (3,031,251)</u>	<u>\$ (3,166,652)</u>
<b>General Revenues</b>										
Governmental Activities:										
General Purposes	\$ 530,433	\$ 531,560	\$ 474,844	\$ 340,328	\$ 110,660	\$ 111,019	\$ 138,567	\$ 126,547	\$ 112,001	\$ 98,626
Grants and Contributions	16,486,912	16,357,388	13,741,247	10,037,411	3,598,928	3,266,919	3,477,898	3,135,618	2,389,292	2,830,715
Miscellaneous Income	134,888	412,611	213,152	161,025	(10,000)	78,227	53,407	76,358	13,515	126,747
Transfers	-	-	-	-	(10,000)	-	-	-	-	-
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 17,154,148</u>	<u>\$ 17,301,991</u>	<u>\$ 14,429,675</u>	<u>\$ 10,538,764</u>	<u>\$ 3,720,639</u>	<u>\$ 3,456,165</u>	<u>\$ 3,669,872</u>	<u>\$ 3,338,523</u>	<u>\$ 2,514,808</u>	<u>\$ 3,056,088</u>
Total Charter School Wide	<u>\$ 17,154,148</u>	<u>\$ 17,302,039</u>	<u>\$ 14,429,723</u>	<u>\$ 10,538,812</u>	<u>\$ 3,720,639</u>	<u>\$ 3,456,165</u>	<u>\$ 3,669,872</u>	<u>\$ 3,338,523</u>	<u>\$ 2,514,808</u>	<u>\$ 3,056,088</u>
<b>Change in Net Assets/Position</b>										
Governmental Activities	\$ (685,378)	\$ (746,281)	\$ (129,491)	\$ 288,571	\$ 92,110	\$ (381,568)	\$ 475,654	\$ 399,384	\$ (564,523)	\$ (122,161)
Business-Type Activities	133,495	6,813	196,281	55,169	(35,577)	(15,942)	(18,253)	10,247	48,080	11,597
Total Charter School	<u>\$ (551,883)</u>	<u>\$ (739,468)</u>	<u>\$ 66,790</u>	<u>\$ 343,740</u>	<u>\$ 56,533</u>	<u>\$ (397,510)</u>	<u>\$ 457,401</u>	<u>\$ 409,631</u>	<u>\$ (516,443)</u>	<u>\$ (110,564)</u>

Source: Charter School's Records

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

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
General Fund										
Reserved	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,161	\$ 4,911	\$ 12,445	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Unreserved	1,350,537	1,342,370	1,342,370	1,009,379	636,539	511,802	850,347	408,021	(18,484)	516,238
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$ 1,350,537</b>	<b>\$ 1,342,370</b>	<b>\$ 1,342,370</b>	<b>\$ 1,009,379</b>	<b>\$ 649,700</b>	<b>\$ 516,713</b>	<b>\$ 862,792</b>	<b>\$ 408,021</b>	<b>\$ (18,484)</b>	<b>\$ 516,238</b>
All Other Governmental Funds										
Unreserved	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Special Revenue Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,500	-
<b>Total All Other Governmental Funds</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 171</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,500</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

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

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
<b>Revenues:</b>										
Local Sources	\$ 530,433	531,560	474,844	\$ 340,328	\$ 131,711	\$ 189,246	\$ 191,974	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	257,617	319,122	109,789	100,633	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Sources	13,711,500	13,393,928	12,280,270	9,332,180	3,597,658	3,258,840	3,463,502	-	-	-
Federal Sources	1,420,217	1,347,240	1,298,874	765,623	325,763	147,989	392,883	-	-	-
Total Revenues	15,919,767	15,591,850	14,163,777	10,538,764	4,055,132	3,596,075	4,048,359	-	-	-
<b>Expenditures:</b>										
Instruction	5,944,624	6,306,159	5,325,093	4,698,194	1,792,925	1,787,295	1,680,212	-	-	-
Administration	6,616,426	6,031,211	5,109,590	3,738,028	1,183,930	1,112,647	961,091	-	-	-
Support Services	3,304,536	3,254,912	3,012,680	1,742,863	668,276	730,313	700,379	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	46,014	-	360,096	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unallocated Benefits	-	-	-	-	267,014	311,899	251,906	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	15,911,600	15,592,282	13,807,459	10,179,085	3,912,145	3,942,154	3,593,588	-	-	-
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	8,167	(432)	356,318	359,679	142,987	(346,079)	454,771	-	-	-
<b>Other Financing Uses:</b>										
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	(10,000)	-	-	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Uses	-	-	-	-	(10,000)	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 8,167	\$ (432)	\$ 356,318	\$ 359,679	\$ 132,987	\$ (346,079)	\$ 454,771	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 General Fund - Other Local Revenue by Source  
 Last Ten Fiscal Years  
*(modified accrual basis of accounting)*

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Donations	Interest Income	Prior Year Refunds	Miscellaneous Revenue	Annual Total
2019	\$ 30	\$ -	\$ 13,337	\$ 157,807	\$ 171,174
2018	-	-	138,043	\$ 26,454	164,497
2017	363	-	5,969	5,011	11,343
2016	200	-	57,023	3,718	60,941
2015	-	-	53,276	20,095	73,371
2014	-	-	-	-	-
2013	-	-	-	-	-
2012	-	-	-	-	-
2011	-	-	-	-	-
2010	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Charter School records

***OPERATING INFORMATION***

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

Function	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Instruction	75	93	85	81	49	24	26	23	23	21
Administrative	6	23	20	20	9	8	5	5	5	6
Support Services	41	10	6	10	25	2	3	3	3	3
Food Service	1	-	-	-	2	2	2	2	2	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>32</b>

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**

Operating Statistics  
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year	Enrollment	Operating Expenditures <sup>a</sup>	Cost Per Pupil	Percentage Change	Teaching Staff <sup>b</sup>	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Average Daily Enrollment (ADE) <sup>c</sup>	Average Daily Attendance (ADA) <sup>c</sup>	Percent Change in Average Daily Enrollment	Student Attendance Percentage
2019	891	\$ 12,885,802	\$ 14,462	-13.58%	75	1:9	878	806	8.66%	91.80%
2018	759	12,701,248	16,734	41.85%	81	1:9	808	770	2.67%	95.30%
2017	759	8,953,800	11,797	140.37%	49	1:9	787	707	24.53%	89.83%
2016	731	3,587,652	4,908	-69.80%	23	1:15	632	584	167.57%	92.41%
2015	234	3,802,244	16,249	24.33%	23	1:10	236.2	216	-3.98%	91.45%
2014	246	3,215,101	13,070	6.22%	20	1:10	246.0	218	0.94%	88.62%
2013	234	2,879,061	12,304	-5.59%	21	1:12	243.7	243	17.73%	99.71%
2012	234	3,049,530	13,032	-7.86%	19	1:11	207.0	204	7.70%	98.55%
2011	227	3,210,492	14,143	21.58%	17	1:10	192.2	174	-17.93%	90.53%
2010	239	2,780,183	11,633	106.60%	17	1:14	234.2	213	100.15%	90.95%

**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).

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
School Building Information  
Last Ten Fiscal Years  
(Unaudited)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
<b><u>Charter School Building</u></b>										
School Building:										
Square Feet	300,000	300,000	300,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
Capacity (students)	1020	731	731	255	255	255	255	255	255	320
Enrollment	855	731	731	234	246	234	234	227	243	292

Number of Schools at, June 30, 2019:  
  School Building: 1

Source: District Facilities Office

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



SCHEDULE OF YOUR CURRENT INSURANCE

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DATE PREPARED: 11/12/2018

COVERAGES	AMOUNTS/LIMITS	TERM	EXPIRES	COMPANY	POLICY NUMBER	PREMIUM
<b><u>PACKAGE POLICY</u></b>		<b>1 YR.</b>	<b>7/1/2019</b>	<b>NJSIG</b>	<b>P924AJ</b>	<b>\$32,007.98</b>
<b><u>Property</u></b>						
Contents Limit - \$1K deductible	\$669,500					
Tenants Improvements & Betterments	\$1,030,000					
Loss of Rents	\$200,000					
Business Income	\$2,000,000					
Deductible	\$1,000					
Extra Expense -NJSIG Limit	\$50,000,000					
Blanket Valuable Papers & Records -NJS	\$10,000,000					
<b><u>Sublimits:</u></b>						
Flood Zones A & V per location NJSIG A	\$25,000,000					
Deductible Zone A & V	\$500,000					
All other Flood Zones occ/annual Agg\$	\$500,000					
All other Flood Zones occ/annual Agg	\$75,000,000					
Deductible	\$10,000					
Earthquake occ/NJSIG annual agg	\$50,000,000					
Terrorism NJSIG Agg	\$1,000,000					
<b><u>EDP</u></b>						
Blanket Hardware/Software	\$188,255					
including Extra Expense, Business Income	included					
Duplicates, Transit & Debris Removal	included					
Deductible	\$1,000					
Flood Deductible A&V	\$500,000					
Flood Deductibles other zones	\$10,000					
Computer Virus	\$250,000/\$10MIL NJSIG Aggregate					

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COVERAGE	AMOUNTS/LIMITS	TERM	EXPIRES	COMPANY	POLICY NUMBER	PREMIUM
<p><b><u>Equipment Breakdown</u></b>                      Combined Single Limit per Acc.                      for Property Damage &amp; Bus.Income                      Prop Damage Ded: \$1,000                      BI/EE Ded 12 hours</p> <p><b><u>Crime Section</u></b>                      Public Employee Dishonesty with                      Faithful Performance                      M&amp;S On or Off Premises                      Money Orders &amp; Counterfeit                      Forgery or Alteration                      Computer Fraud                      Deductible varies</p> <p><b><u>Public Official Bonds</u></b>                      Treasurer - Patrick Doyle                      Board Secretary- Christopher Lessarde</p>	<p>\$100,000,000                      Group blanket limit</p> <p>\$250,000                      \$50,000                      \$50,000                      \$250,000                      \$250,000</p> <p>\$197,500                      \$190,000</p>					<p><b>INCL. IN                      PACKAGE                      PREMIUM                      P924AJ</b></p>
<p><b><u>General Liability</u></b>                      Each Occurrence BI &amp; PD                      Products/Completed Ops BI Agg                      Sexual Abuse--per occurrence                      Annual Pool Aggregate                      Personal &amp; Advertising Injury                      Employee Benefits Liability                      Employee Benefits Aggregate                      Employee Benefits Deductible</p> <p><b><u>Business Auto</u></b>                      Hired &amp; Non-Owned Auto Liability</p>	<p>\$16,000,000                      \$16,000,000                      \$16,000,000                      \$17,000,000                      \$16,000,000                      \$16,000,000                      \$16,000,000                      \$1,000</p> <p>\$16,000,000</p>					

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<b><u>ERRORS &amp; OMISSIONS LIABILITY</u></b>		<b>1 YR.</b>	<b>7/1/2019</b>	<b>NJSIG</b>	<b>E924AJ</b>	<b>\$22,548.86</b>
<b><u>Coverage A:</u></b>						
Limit of Liability each policy period	\$16,000,000					
Deductible each claim	\$15,000					
<b><u>Coverage B:</u></b>						
Limit of liability each claim	\$100,000					
Limit of Liability each policy period	\$300,000					
Deductible each claim	\$15,000					
<b><u>WORKERS' COMPENSATION</u></b>		<b>1 YR.</b>	<b>7/1/2019</b>	<b>NJSIG</b>	<b>W924AJ</b>	<b>\$156,545.87</b>
Employers Liability Limits		Each Accident				
Bodily Injury by Accident	\$2,000,000	Each Employee				
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$2,000,000	Aggregate Limit				
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$2,000,000					
<b><u>SALARY CONTINUANCE</u></b>		<b>1 YR.</b>	<b>7/1/2019</b>	<b>FEDERAL INS. CO. (Chubb) thru NJSIG</b>	<b>9907-15-88 (6477-5774)</b>	<b>\$2,125.73</b>
Maximum Benefit Period	52 weeks					
Maximum Weekly Benefit	\$2,500					
7 day waiting period						
<b><u>STUDENT ACCIDENT</u></b>		<b>1 YR.</b>	<b>7/1/2019</b>	<b>BOLLINGER</b>	<b>MCB5858702</b>	<b>\$3,295</b>
<b><u>GROUP CATASTROPHE POLICY</u></b>		<b>1 YR.</b>	<b>7/1/2019</b>	<b>FIREMAN'S FUND INS CO (Allianz)</b>	<b>SHX-000-5817-7122</b>	<b>\$3,467</b>
Shared Limit Each Occurrence	\$50,000,000					
Group Aggregate	\$150,000,000					
EPL Sub-Limit	\$25,000,000					

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<b><u>TRAVEL ACCIDENT POLICY</u></b>		1 YR.	7/1/2019	NAVIGATORS INS. CO.	PH18FPK0BA3NPN'	\$4,218 \$100
<b><u>CGL Coverage Form:</u></b>						
Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000					
General Aggregate	\$2,000,000					
Products-Completed Operations Aggregat	\$2,000,000					
Personal & Advertising Injury Limit	\$1,000,000					
Damage to Premises Rented to you	\$1,000,000					
Medical Expenses Limit any one person	\$25,000					
<b><u>Employee Benefits Liability Coverage Form:</u></b>						
Each Claim	\$1,000,000					
Annual Aggregate Limit	\$1,000,000					
<b><u>Contingent Auto Liability Coverage Form:</u></b>						
Each Accident	\$1,000,000					
<b><u>Employers Responsibility:</u></b>						
BI each accident	\$1,000,000					
BI by disease each employee	\$1,000,000					
BI by disease policy limit	\$1,000,000					
<b><u>Corporate Kidnap Extortion</u></b>						
See policy form						
Accidental Death & Dismemberment & Medical Coverage Non-Occupational						
Principal Sum AD&D	\$25,000					
Principal Sum Medical Expense	\$10,000					

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**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
 Charter School Performance Framework Financial Indicators  
 Fiscal Ratios  
 Last Three Fiscal Years

	2017	2018	2019	Source
	Audit	Audit	Audit	
Cash	\$ 2,763,048	\$ 1,847,875	\$ 2,461,819	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Current Assets (includes CASH)	1,079,570	3,690,322	4,304,686	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total Assets	5,719,323	8,760,686	7,514,428	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Current Liabilities	2,197,129	2,237,719	2,545,531	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total Liabilities	2,325,034	9,133,948	8,481,007	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Net Assets	366,185	(373,283)	(925,166)	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total Revenue	15,223,753	18,154,985	18,093,889	Audit: Exhibit A-2
Total Expenses	15,156,914	18,894,453	18,645,772	Audit: Exhibit A-2
Change in Net Assets	66,839	(739,468)	(551,883)	Audit: Exhibit A-2
Depreciation Expense	4,528	-	4,601	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Interest Expense	N/A	N/A	N/A	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Principal Payments	N/A	N/A	N/A	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Interest Payments	N/A	N/A	N/A	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Final Average Daily Enrollment	787	808	836	DOE Enrollment Reports
March 30th Budgeted Enrollment	759	759	843	Charter School Budget

RATIOS ANALYSIS...					Changes
Near Term Indicators	2013	2014	2015	3 YR CUM	Target
1a. Current Ratio	0.49	1.65	1.69	Current Assets/Current Liabilities	> 1.1
1b. Unrestricted Days Cash	66.54	35.70	48.19	Cash/(Total Expenses/365)	30-50
1c. Enrollment Variance	104%	106%	99%	Average Daily Enrollment/Budgeted Enrollment	>95%
1d.* Default	N/A	N/A	N/A	Audit	not in default
<b>Sustainability Indicators</b>					
2a. Total Margin	0%	-4%	-3%	Change in Net Assets/Total Revenue	positive
2b. Debt to Asset	0.41	1.04	1.13	Total Liabilities/Total Assets	<.9
2c.** Cash Flow	1,168,490	(915,173)	613,944	Net change in cash flow from prior years	3 yr cum positive
2d. Debt Service Coverage Ratio	N/A	N/A	N/A	(Change in Net Assets+Depreciation+Interest Expense)/(Principal & Interest Payments)	>1.10

\* Is school in default of loan covenant(s) and/or is delinquent with debt service payments? N/A

\*\* 2019 = 2019 Cash - 2018 Cash; 2018 = 2018 Cash - 2017 Cash; 2017 = 2017 Cash - 2016 Cash

Refer questions to [charterfinance@doe.state.nj.us](mailto:charterfinance@doe.state.nj.us)

***SINGLE AUDIT SECTION***

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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 County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, 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 December 9, 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. We did identify significant deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Financial Statement Findings as items #2019-001, #2019-002, and #2019-003.


### **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 one instance 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. This is described in the accompanying Schedule of Financial Statement Findings as item #2019-001.

### **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.

  
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December 9, 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  
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**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, 2019. 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, 2019.

### **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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December 9, 2019

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Grant or State Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period From To	Balance at June 30, 2018	Carryover/ (Walkover) Amount	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Adjustments	Repayment Of Prior Years' Balances	Accounts Receivable	Balance at June 30, 2019 Deferred Revenue	Due to Grantor
<b>U.S. Department of Education</b>													
<b>Passed-through State Department of Education</b>													
Special Revenue Fund:													
Title I Part A	84.01	NCLB - - - 19	\$ 1,193,701	7/1/18 6/30/19	\$ -	\$ -	629,402	(1,170,673)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (541,271)	\$ -	\$ -
Title II Part A	84.367A	NCLB - - - 19	-	7/1/18 6/30/19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Title III	84.318X	NCLB - - - 19	63,704	9/1/18 8/31/19	-	-	-	(62,506)	-	-	(62,506)	-	-
Special Education Cluster (IDEA):													
I.D.E.A. Part B Basic	84.027	IDEA - - - 19	-	7/1/18 6/30/19	(135,296)	-	81,239	(187,038)	-	-	(105,799)	-	-
I.D.E.A. Part B Basic Carryover	84.027	IDEA - - - 18	180,319	7/1/17 6/30/18	(135,296)	-	135,296	-	-	-	(105,799)	-	-
Total Special Education Cluster (IDEA)							216,535	(187,038)	-	-	(105,799)	-	-
Other Special Revenue Funds:													
Temporary Emergency Impact Aid	84.938C	N/A	-	9/1/18 8/31/19	-	-	1,621,073	(1,420,217)	-	-	(709,576)	-	-
Total Special Revenue Fund					(910,432)	-	1,621,073	(1,420,217)	-	-	(709,576)	-	-
<b>U.S. Department of Agriculture</b>													
<b>Passed-through State Department of Agriculture</b>													
Enterprise Fund:													
School Breakfast Program	10.553	N/A	298,359	7/1/18 6/30/19	-	-	278,665	(288,359)	-	-	(19,694)	-	-
National School Lunch Program	10.555	N/A	-	7/1/17 6/30/18	(48,153)	-	48,153	-	-	-	-	-	-
National School Lunch Program	10.555	N/A	507,466	7/1/18 6/30/19	(85,329)	-	473,088	(507,466)	-	-	(34,378)	-	-
National School Lunch Program	10.555	N/A	-	7/1/17 6/30/18	(85,329)	-	85,329	-	-	-	-	-	-
Child Care Food Program	10.558	N/A	116,180	7/1/18 6/30/19	(15,451)	-	109,042	(116,180)	-	-	(7,138)	-	-
Child Care Food Program	10.558	N/A	-	7/1/17 6/30/18	(15,451)	-	15,451	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Enterprise Fund					(148,933)	-	1,009,728	(922,005)	-	-	(61,210)	-	-
Sub-Total Federal Financial Awards					(1,059,365)	\$ -	\$ 2,630,801	\$ (2,342,222)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (770,766)	\$ -	\$ -

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

State Grantor/Program Title	Grant or State Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period		Balance at June 30, 2018		Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Adjustments/ Repayment of Prior Year's Balance	Balance at June 30, 2019		MEMO
			From	To	Deferred Revenue (Accounts Receivable)	Due to Grantor				Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue/ Interfund Payable	
<b>State Department of Education</b>												
General Fund:												
State Aid Public Cluster												
Equalization Aid	19-495-034-5120-078	11,253,025	7/1/18	6/30/19			11,126,066	(11,253,025)	*	(126,969)	*	11,253,025
Special Education	19-495-034-5120-089	570,765	7/1/18	6/30/19			570,765	(570,765)	*		*	570,765
Category Aid	19-495-034-5120-084	412,671	7/1/18	6/30/19			412,671	(412,671)	*		*	412,671
Security Aid	19-495-034-5120-085	788,619	7/1/18	6/30/19			382,692		*		*	788,619
Adjustment Aid	18-495-034-5120-085	788,619	7/1/17	6/30/18			12,956,710	(12,236,461)	*	(126,969)	*	915,588
Total State Aid Public Cluster												12,236,461
Nonpublic Aid	19-100-034-5120-064	-	7/1/18	6/30/19			358,638	(358,638)	*		*	358,638
On-Behalf TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Aid	19-495-034-5094-001	358,638	7/1/18	6/30/19			790,652	(790,652)	*		*	790,652
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Aid	19-495-034-5094-002	3,301	7/1/18	6/30/19			3,301	(3,301)	*		*	3,301
On-Behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Aid	19-495-034-5094-004	322,448	7/1/18	6/30/19			290,918	(322,448)	*	(31,530)	*	322,448
Reimbursed TPAF - Social Security	18-495-034-5094-003	371,060	7/1/17	6/30/18			13,291		*		*	31,530
Reimbursed TPAF - Social Security									*		*	
Total General Fund							14,413,510	(13,711,500)	-	(159,499)	-	947,118
												13,711,500
<b>State Department of Agriculture</b>												
Enterprise Fund:												
National School Lunch Program (State Share)	19-100-010-3350-023	8,475	7/1/18	6/30/19			7,911	(8,475)	*	(564)	*	8,475
National School Lunch Program (State Share)	18-100-010-3350-023	-	7/1/17	6/30/18			1,418		*		*	564
Total Enterprise Fund							9,329	(8,475)	-	(564)	-	564
												8,475
Total All Funds							14,422,839	(13,719,975)	-	(159,063)	-	947,682
												13,719,975
State Financial Assistance Not Subject to Major Program Determination:												
General Funds:												
On-Behalf TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Aid	19-495-034-5094-001	358,638	7/1/18	6/30/19			(358,638)	358,638	*		*	(358,638)
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Aid	19-495-034-5094-002	790,652	7/1/18	6/30/19			(790,652)	790,652	*		*	(790,652)
On-Behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Aid	19-495-034-5094-004	3,301	7/1/18	6/30/19			(3,301)	3,301	*		*	(3,301)
Total General Fund							(1,152,591)	1,152,591	-		-	(1,152,591)
Total State Financial Assistance Subject to Single Audit							13,270,248	(12,567,384)	-	(159,063)	-	947,682
												12,567,384

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

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures  
Of Awards and Financial Assistance  
June 30, 2019

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**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.

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**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	\$ -	13,711,500	\$ 13,711,500
Special Revenue Fund	1,420,217	-	1,420,217
Food Service Fund	931,266	8,475	939,741
Total Awards & Financial Assistance	<u>\$ 2,351,483</u>	<u>\$ 13,719,975</u>	<u>\$ 16,071,458</u>

**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, 2019.

**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, 2019. 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, 2019.

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
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**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: <i>Grants to Local Education Agencies</i>	\$ 1,144,793
Title I, Part SIA: <i>Grants to Local Education Agencies</i>	<u>25,880</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 1,170,673</u></u>

**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.



**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

**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 considered to be material weaknesses?	<u>  X  </u> Yes	_____ None Reported
Noncompliance material to basic financial statements noted?	<u>  X  </u> Yes	_____ 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 considered to be material weaknesses?	_____ Yes	<u>  X  </u> None Reported
Type of auditors’ report issued on compliance for major programs		<u>Unmodified</u>
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance?	_____ Yes	<u>  X  </u> No
Identification of major federal programs:		

CFDA Number(s)	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
<u>84.010A</u>	<u>Title I Part</u>

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	<u>  X  </u> Yes      _____ No

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
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**Section I – Summary of Auditor’s Results (Continued)**

**State Awards**

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? \_\_\_ Yes    \_\_X\_\_ No

Internal control over major programs:

    1) Material weakness(es) identified? \_\_\_ Yes    \_\_X\_\_ No

    2) Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? \_\_\_ Yes    \_\_X\_\_ Reported    None

Type of auditors’ report issued on compliance for major programs Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with NJOMB Circular Letter 15-08? \_\_\_ Yes    \_\_X\_\_ No

Identification of major state programs:

<b>GMIS Number(s)</b>	<b>Name of State Program</b>
	<u>STATE AID-PUBLIC CLUSTER:</u>
<u>19-495-034-5120-078</u>	<u>EQUALIZATION AID</u>
<u>19-495-034-5120-089</u>	<u>SPECIAL EDUCATION CATEGORICAL AID</u>
<u>19-495-034-5120-084</u>	<u>SECURITY AID</u>
<u>19-495-034-5120-085</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT AID</u>

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Schedule of Findings And Questioned Costs  
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***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.

**ITEM #2019-001- DCRP EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER 401(K) CONTRIBUTIONS WERE NOT SENT TO THE 401K PROVIDER ON A TIMELY BASIS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ERISA REGULATIONS**

**Criteria:** The entity has controls in place to ensure that there is compliance with ERISA regulations for defined contribution 401(k) pension plans.

**Condition:** \$14,370 of 401k employee and employer contributions were not sent to the 401K provider. These contributions go back as far as May, 2018 to June 30, 2019. ERISA regulations call for deposits to be made to the investment funds within a reasonable amount of time subsequent to the contribution by the employee by generally no later than the 15th of the following month. In this case the majority of the employee deposits were not deposited with the 401k provider, and invested in the investment funds.

**Cause:** The employee contributions for plan participants were deducted from their periodic compensation but were not properly distributed to the plan. The employer match was not properly made to the plan.

**Effect:** Plan participants' investment accounts have not been properly maintained where the account balances are understated for missing contributions and investment income is not accurately reflected in their account balances.

**Questioned Costs:** None

**Recommendations:** It is recommended that controls be established that would ensure that employee and employer contributions and deposits follow ERISA guidelines.

**View of the Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions:** Management agrees with the finding and will implement improved internal controls in this area as described in the recommendation.

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Schedule of Findings And Questioned Costs  
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***Part II –Schedule of Financial Statement Findings (continued)***

**ITEM #2019-002- PAYMENTS TO THE MANAGEMENT COMPANY FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES LACKED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

**Criteria:** The entity has controls in place to ensure that books and records are safeguarded and that disbursements should not be authorized without proper documentation.

**Condition:** The audit selected a sample of certain expenditures for substantive and internal control testing. Two such expenditures were for reimbursement of expenses by the Charter School to its management company. The total of the two expenditures was \$4,351.

**Cause:** The records of the charter school are maintained at the management company facility in New York. Proper supporting documents such as copies of receipts and an approved purchase order were either not prepared or could not be located.

**Effect:** Disbursements are made which are not properly authorized and do not proper supporting documentation.

**Questioned Costs:** None

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that school review its controls over safeguarding records and documents to ensure that these are maintained in a safe and secure environment and that these records and documents are easily accessed when required.

**View of the Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions:** Management agreed to improve controls associated with recordkeeping and approval of purchases and disbursements.

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
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***Part II –Schedule of Financial Statement Findings (continued)***

**ITEM #2019-003- NO BIDS WERE RECEIVED FOR THE PURCHASE OF TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FROM A TRAVEL AGENCY FOR SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS THAT EXCEEDED THE BID THRESHOLD**

**Criteria:** The entity has controls in place to ensure that New Jersey Purchasing Laws with respect to bid requirements are followed.

**Condition:** The entity entered into a purchase order with a vendor without complying with New Jersey public schools contract laws (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.). The law requires that all purchases exceeding \$40,000 (with a Qualified Purchasing Agent) have formal proposals for bid solicited from vendors in accordance with the regulations. In this case the total purchase for student field trips with the travel agency was \$78,176. No bids were received.

**Cause:** The charter school was not aware that bids were required for travel in relation to student field trips.

**Effect:** Contracts are entered into without following the bid requirements. This could cause the school to pay more for the services or goods than would have been paid if bids were received. It also can lead to the selection of vendors based on conditions other than service and price.

**Questioned Costs:** None

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the school and board review its policy and procedures for bids making certain that they comply with state purchasing regulations. Controls should be put in place that identify all purchases that require bids and that ensure that bids are solicited in accordance with state purchasing regulations wherever required.

**View of the Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions:** Management agreed to improve controls associated with compliance with bid and purchasing regulations.

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Schedule of Findings And Questioned Costs  
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***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

**FREEDOM PREP CHARTER SCHOOL**  
Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

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**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