# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. Salem, New Jersey

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Prepared by

Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School Board of Trustees

Finance Department

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December 30, 2020

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School County of Salem Elmer, New Jersey 08318

Dear Board Members,

The comprehensive annual financial report of the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, 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 Charter School. 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 final position and results of operations of the various funds under the auspices 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 includes this transmittal letter, the Charter School's organizational chart and a list of principal officials.
- > The Financial Section includes the basic financial statements and schedules, as well as the auditor's report thereon.
- > The Statistical Section includes four unaudited fiscal years of data.
- The Single Audit Section-The Charter School is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the provisions of Title 2 CFR 200-Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance), "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations" and State Treasury Circular Letter 15-08 OMB. "Single Audit Policy for recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid Payments". Information related to this single audit, including the auditor's report on internal control and compliance with applicable laws and regulations and findings and recommendations, are included in the single audit section of this report.

#### 1. REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES:

The Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. is an independent reporting entity within the criteria adopted by the Government Standards Board (GASB) as established by GASB Statement No.14. All funds and account groups of the Charter School are included in this report. The Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. Board of Trustees and its school constitute the Charter School's reporting entity.

#### 1. REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES: (continued)

The Charter School is responsible for providing a thorough and efficient educational system for students in grades 5<sup>th</sup>-8th. The Charter School completed its first year of operations during the 2019-2020 fiscal year with an enrollment of 93.

#### **Average Daily Enrollment**

Fiscal	Student	Percentage
Year	Enrollment	Change
2019-20	93	

#### 2. ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK:

The Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School is in a rural community in Salem County, which presently is considered to possess a stagnant economy. However, the school has received a very positive reception during its first year. There were approximately twice the number of applicants for the lottery that the school could accept. It continued through the year and into its second year with a waiting list equal to the enrollment of the school. The strong community reception, both from districts that are adjacent to the home district of the school, and from throughout the 4 Southwestern counties of NJ, bodes well for a strong outlook.

#### Initiatives

The Charter School has developed a comprehensive strategic plan to support its mission and vision and serve as a blueprint for the achievement of its goals. The plan includes objectives such as pupil achievement, staff development and technology in the classroom. The vision and goals grow directly out of the charter.

#### Major initiatives include:

- Needs assessment and programmatic changes in preparation of charter renewal process.
- Maintaining full enrollment across all grades while maintaining small class size of 12.
- Conducting and strengthening ongoing programs with key partners for the benefits of the students, families and staff.
- Deepening focus on arts integration in academic subjects.
- Maintaining and deepening the current one-on-one laptop initiative, adding software as indicated.
- Continue to raise awareness of the success of the school.

#### 3. INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS:

Management of the Charter School is responsible for establishing and maintaining 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; and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

As a recipient of federal awards and state financial assistance, the Charter School also is responsible for ensuring that 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 Charter School management.

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

#### 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. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general fund and the special revenue fund. The final budget amount as amended for the fiscal year is reflected in the financial section.

An encumbrance accounting system is used to record outstanding purchase commitments on a line item basis. Open encumbrances at year-end are either canceled or are included as reappropriations of fund balance in the subsequent year. Those amounts to be reappropriated are reported as reservations of fund balance at June 30, 2020.

#### 5. ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND REPORTS:

The Charter School's accounting records reflect generally accepted accounting principles, as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The accounting system of the Charter School is organized on the basis of funds. These funds are explained in "Notes to the Financial Statements," Note 2.

#### 6. DEBT: None

#### 7. INVESTMENT POLICY:

The investment policy of the Charter School is guided in large part by state statute as detailed in "Notes to the Financial Statements", Note 3. The Charter School has 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 2007 to protect governmental units from loss of funds from deposit with a failed bankinginstitution in New Jersey. The law required governmental units to deposit public funds in public depositaries located in New Jersey, where the funds are secured in accordance with the act.

#### 8. RISK MANAGEMENT:

The Board carries various forms of insurance, including but not limited to general liability, automobile liability and comprehensive/collision, hazard and theft insurance on property and contents, and fidelity bonds.

#### 9. OTHER INFORMATION:

Independent Audit - State statutes require an annual audit by independent certified public accountants or registered municipal accountants. The accounting firm of Nightlinger, Colavita and Volpa, Pa. was appointed by the Board. In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in State statutes, the audit also was designed to meet the requirements of the Title 2 CFR 200-Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance), and State of New Jersey Treasury Circular 15-08 OMB, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid. The auditor's report on the basic financial statements and combining and individual fund statements and schedules are included in the financial section of this report. The auditor's report related specifically to the single audit is included in the single audit section of this report.

#### 10. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

We would like to express our appreciation to the members of the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. Board of Trustees for their concern in providing fiscal accountability to the community and 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 financial and accounting staff.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Loren Thomas, EdD

Loren Thomas, EdD Chief School Administrator - Principal

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Richelle Baughn School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary

#### CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC

Elmer, New Jersey **Salem County** (UNIT CONTROL) **BOARD OF** TRUSTEES SCHOOL BUSINESS CHIEF SCHOOL TREASURER ADMINISTRATOR ADMINISTRATOR **ASSISTANT CHIEF** BOARD SCHOOL **SECRETARY** ADMINISTRATOR

### $\frac{\text{CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC}}{\text{ELMER, NEW JERSEY}}$

#### **ROSTER OF OFFICIALS**

#### JUNE 30, 2020

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	TERM EXPIRES	
Daniel Rowan, President	2020	
Robert Cimprich	2020	
Lorraine Hill (Until June 30, 2020)	2020	
Claire Riggs	2020	
OTHER OFFICIALS		AMOUNT OF BOND
Loren Thomas, EdD, Chief School Administrator (From July 1, 2020)		
Richelle Baughn, Board Secretary/Business Administrator	\$	50,000
Dr. Joseph V. Conway, Ex-officio		
Cori Solomon, Ex-officio		
Frank P. Cavallo, Esq., Solicitor		

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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Members of The Board of Trustees Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. County of Salem, New Jersey 08318

#### 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 Board of Trustees of the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. in the County of Salem, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, 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

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Administration and 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 of 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, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. Board of Trustees, in the County of Salem, State of New Jersey, as of June 30, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information and schedules related to accounting and reporting for pensions 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 responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

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

The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and the schedule 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 used 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 non-major fund financial statements and the schedule 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 subject 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 them.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 30, 2020 on our consideration of the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc.'s Board of Trustees internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants 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 the effectiveness of the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc.'s Board of Trustee's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc.'s Board of Trustees internal control over financial reporting over compliance.

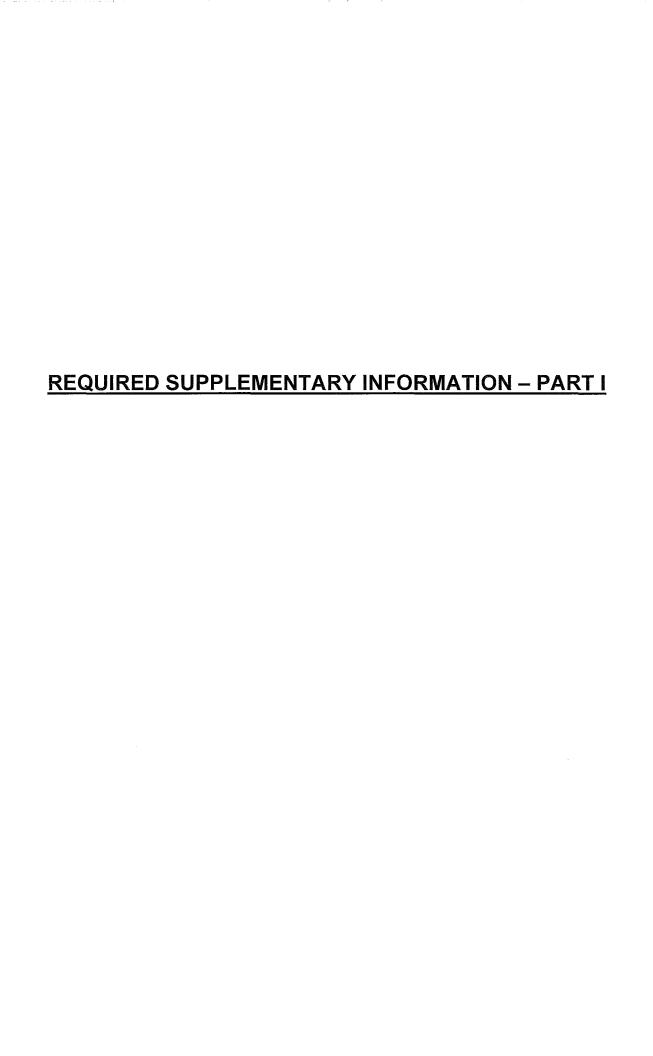
Respectfully submitted,

NIGHTLINGER, COLAVITA & VOLPA, PA

Raymond Colavita, C.P.A., R.M.A. Licensed Public School Accountant

No. 915

December 30, 2020



### CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. CITY OF CAMDEN

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

#### **UNAUDITED**

The discussion and analysis of Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc.'s financial performance provides an overall review of the School's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School's financial performance.

#### **Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2020 are as follows:

- General revenues, net of transfers, accounted for \$1,294,275 in revenue or 97.5% percent of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, operating grants and contributions, and capital grants and contributions accounted for \$33,617 or 2.5% percent to total revenues of \$1,327,892.
- The results of the initial year of operations at the school reflect a Total Net Position of \$72,598. This amount represents the results for governmental activities at June 30, 2020. There was no amount of Net Position for the Food Enterprise Fund
- ❖ The School had total expenses of \$1,255,294, of which \$33,617 was offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues of \$1,294,275 consisted of Federal and State Aid of \$629,658 property taxes of \$664,617, and no other miscellaneous net revenue.
- ❖ The General Fund also reflected \$1,294,275 in revenues and \$1,212,883 in expenditures. The General Fund's ending balance of \$72,598 included a transfer of \$8,794 to the Food Service Enterprise Fund.

#### **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 Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. 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 School, presenting both an aggregate view of the 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. In the case of Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc., the General Fund is by far the most significant fund.

#### Reporting the 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 School to provide programs and activities, the view of the School as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during 2020?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities helps 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 companies. 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 School's net position and changes in those assets. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the School as a whole, the financial positions of the 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 property tax base of the School's resident districts, current laws in New Jersey concerning revenue allocations, facility condition, required educational programs and other factors. As this was the initial year of operations, there is no previous information to compare to.

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

- Governmental Activities All of the School's programs and services are reported here including, but not limited to, instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant facilities, pupil transportation and extracurricular activities.
- Business Type Activities This service is provided on a charge for goods or services basis to recover all the expense of the goods or services provided. The Food Service enterprise fund is reported as a business activity.

#### Reporting the School's Most Significant Funds

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The analysis of the School's major (all) funds begins on page 22. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the School's major funds. The School uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the School's most significant funds. The School's major governmental funds are the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund.

#### **Governmental Funds**

The 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 School's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

#### **Enterprise Fund**

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

#### The Charter School as a Whole

Recall that the Statement of Net Position provides the perspective of the School as a whole.

Table 1 provides a summary of the School's net position for the year ended in 2020, which are the first two years that a comparative presentation are available under the GASB reporting format.

Table 1 Net Position

	,	2020
Assets		
Current and Other Assets Capital Assets, Net	\$	250,810
Total Assets		250,810
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Liabilities	•	
Other Liabilities Long-term Liabilities		178,212
Total Liabilities		178,212
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Net Position		
Investment in Capital Assets, Net of Debt		
Restricted Unrestricted (Deficit)		72,598
Total Net Position	\$	72,598

Table 2 shows the changes in net position from fiscal year's 2020 and 2019.

Table 2
Changes in Net Position

	_	2020
Revenues		
Program Revenues		
Charges for Services	\$	3,802
Operating Grants and Contributions General Revenues		29,815
Property Taxes		664,617
Grants and Entitlements		•
Grants and Emillements	_	629,658
Total Revenues	_	1,327,892
Program Expenses		
Instruction		515,583
Support Services		
General Administration, School		
Administration, Business		361,985
Operations and Maintenance of		
Facilities		180,057
Pupil Transportation		
Employee Benefits		178,727
Food Service		18,942
Total Expenses		1,255,294
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	\$_	72,598

As shown above, the School's total revenue for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 was \$1,327,892, of which net governmental revenues were \$1,294,275. As a Charter School, voter approval for the School operations is not required in New Jersey. Property taxes made up 51% percent of total net governmental revenues for the Camden Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. during it's initial fiscal year ending 2020. Federal, state and local grants accounted for another 49%. The School's total expenses were \$1,255,294, of which total governmental expenses were \$1,236,352 and the cost of all governmental activities, net of program revenues from charges for services or grants was \$1,212,883. Instruction comprises 41% of total expenditures and of net governmental activity expenses.

#### **Business-Type Activities – Initial Year of Operations**

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

- ❖ Food service expenses exceeded revenues by \$8,794 and as a result, this amount was transferred from the general fund. Food Service expenses were \$18,942.
- Charges for services represent \$3,802 of revenue. This represents amount paid by patrons for daily food services.
- Federal and state reimbursements for meals, including payments for free and reduced lunches and donated commodities were \$6,346.

#### **Governmental Activities**

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows a comparison of the total cost of services and the net cost of services. The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the School's resident district taxpayers by each of these functions. Instruction expenses include activities directly dealing with the teaching of pupils and the interaction between teacher and student, including extracurricular activities.

Table 3

	Total Cost of Services 2020	Net Cost of Services 2020
\$	515,583 \$	505,583
ool		
	361,985	348,516
	180,057	180,057
	178,727	178,727
\$ =	1,236,352 \$	1,212,883
	ool -	of Services 2020 \$ 515,583 \$ ool 361,985 180,057 178,727

Pupils and instructional staff include the activities involved with assisting staff with the content and process of teaching to students, including curriculum and staff development.

General administration, school administration and business include expenses associated with administrative and financial supervision of the School.

Operation and maintenance of facilities activities involve keeping the school grounds, buildings, and equipment in an effective working condition.

Curriculum and staff development include expenses related to planning, research, development and evaluation of support services, as well as the reporting of this information internally and to the public.

Pupil transportation includes activities involved with the conveyance of students to and from school, as well as to and from school activities, as provided by state law.

Extracurricular activities includes expenses related to student activities provided by the School which are designated to provide opportunities for students to participate in school events, public events, or a combination of these for the purposes of motivation, enjoyment and skill improvement.

Interest and fiscal charges involve the transactions associated with the payment of interest and other related charges to liabilities of the School.

Other includes unallocated depreciation and amortization.

#### The School's Funds

Information about the School's major funds starts on page 22. These funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All governmental funds (i.e., general funds, special revenue funds and capital projects fund presented in the fund-based statements) had total revenues of \$1,317,744 and expenditures of \$1,236,352. The net positive/negative change in fund balance for the year, from revenues and expenditures, amounted to a positive result of \$72,598. In addition, there was a transfer to the Food Service Fund of \$8,794. This shows that the School met current operating costs with revenues for the current year.

As demonstrated by the various statements and schedules included in the financial section of this report, the School continues to meet its responsibility for sound financial management. The following schedules present a summary of the revenues of the governmental funds, including capital projects, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 and the amount and percentage of increases and decreases in relation to prior year revenues.

Revenue		Amount	Percent of Total
Local Sources State Sources Federal Sources	\$	664,617 629,658 23,469	50.4% 47.8% 1.8%
Total	\$_	1,317,744	100%

The revenue from Local Sources is attributed to the local tax levy of \$664,617, which is the total of the amounts determined from each sending district.

The State Sources is attributed to general fund state aid calculated, based on amounts for each sending district totaling \$619,001 and on-behalf social security reimbursements and pension contributions of \$10,657.

The Federal Sources is attributed to funding of various grant awards.

The following schedule presents a summary of general fund, special revenue fund and debt service fund expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

Amount	Percent of Total
515,5	83 41.7%
ic 189,3°	73 15.3%
oi 172,6	12 14.0%
180,0	57 14.6%
178,7	27 14.4%
1,236,3	52 100.0%
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The Instructional expenditures for this initial year of operations was \$505,583 in the general fund and \$10,000 in the Special Revenue Fund.

The Support Expenditures for this initial year of operations was \$175,904 for general administration, along with \$172,612 of School administrative expenses and \$13,469 in special revenue fund expenses. There was also \$180,057 in plant operation and maintenance costs and \$178,727 in employee benefit costs.

#### **General Fund Budgeting Highlights**

The School's Budget is prepared according to New Jersey law, and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of modified accrual and encumbrance accounting. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

During the course of the fiscal year 2020, the School amended its General Fund budget as needed. The School uses program-

based budgeting and the budgeting systems are designed to tightly control total program budgets but provide flexibility for program management.

- Staffing changes based on student needs.
- Costs for student transportation both in regular education and special education.
- Accounting changes in maintenance and operations
- Changes in appropriations to prevent budget overruns.

While the School's final budget for the general fund anticipated that year-ending surplus would be \$3,711, the actual results for the year shows an excess of revenue over expenses of \$72,598, which includes a transfer out to food service of \$8,794.

- ❖ Actual revenues were equal to final budgeted amounts, which excludes the social security reimbursement of \$10,657.
- The actual expenditures in various line items were less than expected in the total amount of \$81,392, excluding the on-behalf pension, long-term disability and social security reimbursement of \$10,657.

#### Capital Assets

At the end of the fiscal year 2020, the School did not have any fixed assets, as all capital investments were made by the landlord.

#### **Operating Lease Agreements**

<u>Buildings</u> – On May 9, 2019, the Charter School executed a four-year rental agreement with Apple Farm Arts and Music Center, whereby, the Charter School shall be granted access to the premises located at 457 Shirley Rd, Elmer, NJ. At the end of the four-year period, the rental agreement may be renewed annually for an aggregate term of twenty years. The following represents the future minimum lease payments associated with this rental agreement:

Year	 Amount
2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023	\$ 180,000 210,000 240,000
Total	\$ 630,000

**Equipment** – The following includes the operating lease for equipment as of June 30, 2020.

<u>Year</u>		Amount
2020-2021	\$	12,038
2021-2022		12,038
2022-2023		5,015
Total	_	29,091

#### For the Future

The Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. is presently in good financial condition. Continued optimum enrollment in the School will provide financial stability into the future.

As a charter school, it is a concern of the Board of Trustees of the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. as to how future budgets will be financed. To address this issue, the administrator closely monitors instructional and support expenditures, as well as administrative costs of the School.

The current charter calls for expansion each year. In the 2018-2019 school year the school began with 2 classes of each grade. Class size is maintained at 12. Therefore, there were 96 students in the class. In 2019-2020 the school is projected to grow by 48 by adding 2 additional classes in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and 2 in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The total for the 2019-2020 school year will be 144 students. In 2021-2022 the charter calls for the addition of 2 additional 7<sup>th</sup> grade classes, bringing the total to 168 students. In 2022-2023 the charter calls for the addition of 2 additional 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes, bringing the total to 192 students. This growth trajectory allows students who are in the school to continue in the school through 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation.

Beginning in early 2021 the school will begin planning for the re-chartering process, which will include a long range strategic plan. As part of that plan the school will consider expanding to lower and/or higher grades as well as expanding offerings and considering optimal enrollment.

In addition to monitoring its own activity, Creativity CoLaboratory must be cognizant of the local districts activities and enrollment trends. The state's expansion of Renaissance schools and active support of existing public schools will be a factor in Creativity CoLaboratory's evaluation of its own growth plan and role in the neighboring areas. The administration of Creativity CoLaboratory will utilize this upcoming year to conduct a needs assessment and growth analysis.

In conclusion, the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. is committed to sound financial planning, budgeting, and internal financial controls, in order to meet the challenges of the future.

#### **Contacting the School's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers and oversight entities with a general overview of the School's finances and to show the School's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact Loren Thomas, EdD, Chief School Administrator/Principal, at Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc., 457 Shirley Road Elmer N.J. 08318.



CHARTER SCHOOL – WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the School. These statements include the financial activities of the overall 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 School.

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2020

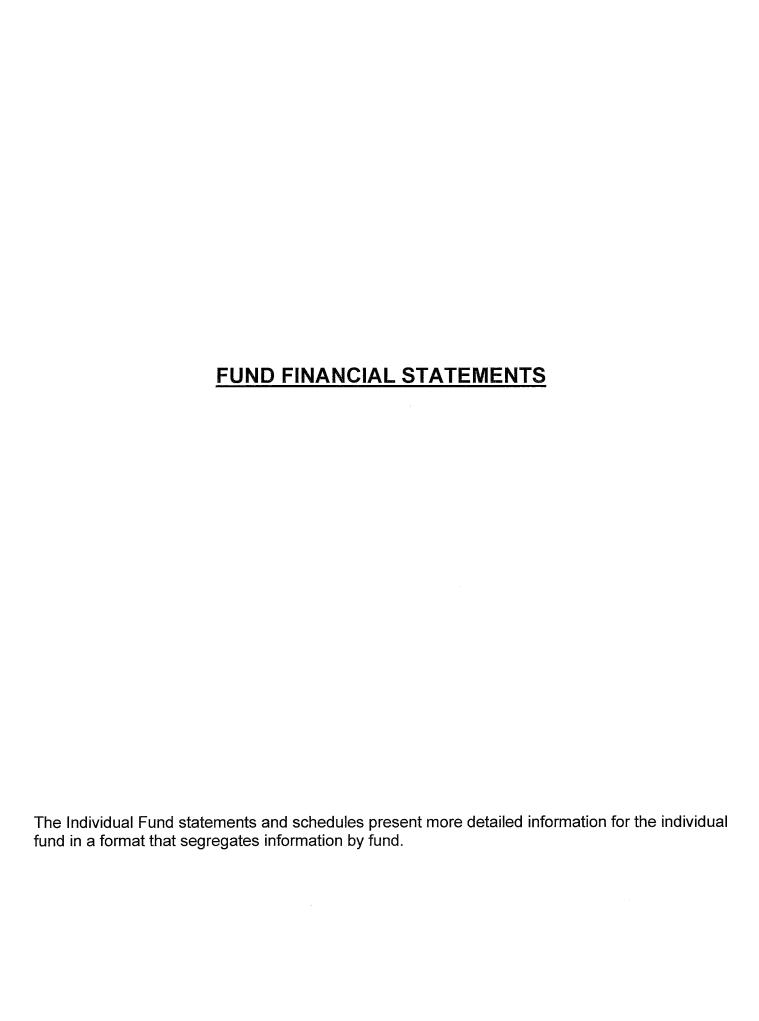
	vernmental Activities	Business-type Activities	)	Total
ASSETS	 			
Cash and Cash Equivalents Receivables, Net Due from Other Funds	\$ 28,530 498 220,252	\$ 1,397 133	\$	29,927 631 220,252
Total Assets	 249,280	1,530		250,810
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	 			
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable Payable to Local Government Unearned Revenue	146,284 28,166 2,232	1,530		147,814 28,166 2,232
Total Liabilities	176,682	1,530		178,212
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Total Deferred Inflows of Resources				
NET POSITION				
Restricted for: Other Purposes Unrestricted	72,598			72,598
Total Net Position	\$ 72,598	\$	\$	72,598

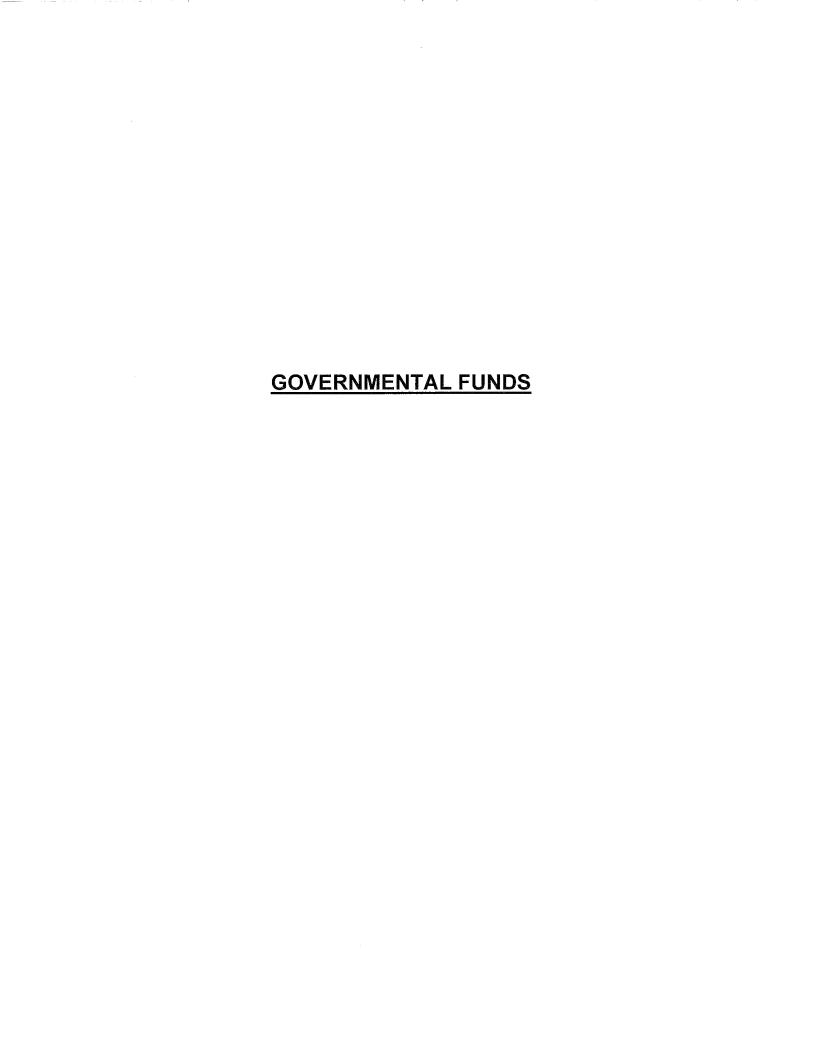
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### CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

			Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position						
Functions/Programs	Charges Operating for Grants and		ants and		vernmental Activities		isiness- type ctivities	Total					
Governmental Activities:													
Instruction:													
Regular	\$	515,583	\$	-	\$	10,000	\$	(505,583)	\$	-	\$	(505,583)	
Support Services:													
General and Business Administrative Services		189,373						(189,373)				(189,373)	
School Administrative Services		172,612				13,469		(159,143)				(159,143)	
Plant Operations and Maintenance		180,057						(180,057)				(180,057)	
Employee Benefits		178,727						(178,727)				(178,727)	
Total Governmental Activities		1,236,352	_			23,469		(1,212,883)			(	(1,212,883)	
Business-type Activities:													
Food Service		18,942		3,802		6,346				(8,794)		(8,794)	
Total Business-type Activities		18,942		3,802		6,346				(8,794)		(8,794)	
Total Primary Government	\$	1,255,294	\$	3,802	\$	29,815		(1,212,883)		(8,794)		(1,221,677)	
General Revenues: Taxes:													
Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes, Ne	et							664,617				664,617	
Federal and State Aid not Restricted								629,658				629,658	
Transfers								(8,794)		8,794		,	
Total General Revenues, Special Items, Extraordia	nary	Items and T	ransf	ers				1,285,481		8,794		1,294,275	
Change in Net Position								72,598			-	72,598	
Net Position—Beginning													
Net Position—Ending							\$	72,598	\$	-	\$	72,598	

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## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2020

		General Fund		Special Revenue Fund		Total Governmental Funds		
ASSETS								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	27,699	\$		\$	27,699		
Due from Other Funds		24,798				24,798		
State Sources		119,240				119,240		
Federal Sources		75.044		25,701		25,701		
Receivables from Other Governments	_	75,311				75,311		
Total Assets	\$_	247,048	\$	25,701	\$	272,749		
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:								
Accounts Payable	\$	146,284	\$		\$	146,284		
Due to Other Funds				23,469		23,469		
Payable to Local Governments		28,166				28,166		
Unearned Revenue			_	2,232		2,232		
Total Liabilities	<u> </u>	174,450		25,701		200,151		
Fund Balances:								
Restricted:								
Unassigned, Reported In:								
General Fund		72,598				72,598		
Total Fund Balances		72,598			_	72,598		
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$_	247,048	\$	25,701	=			
					_			

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

Long-Term Liabilities, including bonds payable, capital Lease payments and compensated absence obligations, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the fund statements.

Accrued Interest is not due and payable in the current period and are therefore not reported as liabilities in the fund statements.

Long Term Net Pension Liability Deferred Pension Outflows Deferred Pension Inflows

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.

Net position of governmental activities

\$ 72,598

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

		General Fund		Special Revenue Fund		Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES Local sources: Local Tax Levy	\$	664,617	\$		\$	664,617
Total - Local Sources	·	664,617	-		-	664,617
State Sources Federal Sources		629,658		23,469		629,658 23,469
Total Revenues		1,294,275		23,469		1,317,744
EXPENDITURES Current: Regular Instruction		505,583	-	10,000		515,583
Support: General Administrative Services School Administrative Services Plant Operations and Maintenance Employee Benefits		175,904 172,612 180,057 178,727		13,469		189,373 172,612 180,057 178,727
Total Expenditures		1,212,883		23,469		1,236,352
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	_	81,392			_	81,392
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers		(8,794)				(8,794)
Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)		(8,794)	_		_	(8,794)
Net Change in Fund Balances Fund Balance—July 1		72,598				72,598
Fund Balance—June 30	\$ =	72,598	- — \$ = =		 \$ - =	72,598

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

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds (from B-2)	\$	72,598
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (A-2) are different because:		
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.  This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the period.  Depreciation expense  Capital outlays	_	
In the Statement of Activities, interest on long-term debt is accrued, regardless of when it is due. In the governmental funds, interest is charged when payment is due.		
Repayment of debt service principle is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of Net Position and is not reported in the statement of activities.		
Pension Contributions are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the contributions are adjusted for actuarial valuation adjustments, including service and interest costs, administrative costs, investment returns, and experience/assumption. This is the amount by which net pension liability and deferred inflows/outflows related to pension changed during the period.		
Change in net position of governmental activities (A-2)	\$	72,598
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PROPRIETARY FUNDS	

#### **EXHIBIT B-4**

# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2020

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds			
		Food Service		Totals
ASSETS				
Current Assets: Cash Interfund Receivable	\$	2,227 1	\$	2,227
Accounts Receivable		133		133
Total Current Assets		2,361		2,360
Total Assets		2,361		2,360
LIABILITIES				
Current Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable Interfund Accounts Payable		1,530 831		1,530 831
Total Current Liabilities		2,361		2,361
NET POSITION			_	
Net Position				
Unrestricted				
Total Net Position	\$		\$	

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## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

**Business-type Activities -**

		Enterprise Fund		
		Food Service		Total Enterprise
Operating revenues:			-	
Charges for Services:				
Daily Sales - Reimbursable Programs	\$_	3,802	\$_	3,802
Total Operating Revenue:	_	3,802	_	3,802
Operating expenses:				
Salaries		9,624		9,624
Satellite Food Service Operation Cost		7,742		7,742
Supplies and Materials		1,541		1,541
Other Costs		35		35
Total Operating Expenses		18,942	_	18,942
Operating Income (loss)	, –	(15,140)	_	(15,140)
Non-operating Revenues (Expenses):		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_	
State Sources:				
State School Lunch Program		129		129
Federal Sources:				
National School Breakfast Program		1,389		1,389
National School Lunch Program		4,828		4,828
Board Subsidy		8,794		8,794
Total Non-operating Revenues (Expenses)		15,140		15,140
Change in Net Position				
Total Net Position—Beginning				
Total Net Position—Ending	\$		\$	- 1 1/2
	_	<u> </u>	=	

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## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

		Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
		Food Service	Total Enterprise	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Receipts from customers Payments to employees Payments to suppliers	\$	3,802 \$ (9,624) (7,091)	3,802 (9,624) (7,091)	
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	_	(12,913)	(12,913)	
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Board Subsidy Food Distribution Program		8,794	8,794	
Cash Received from State and Federal Reimbursements	_	6,346	6,346	
Net cash provided by (used for) non-capital financing activities		15,140	15,140	
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES Purchases of capital assets				
Net cash provided by (used for) capital and related financing activities		-		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest and dividends				
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities				
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Balances—beginning of year		2,227	2,227	
Balances—end of year	\$	2,227 \$	2,227	
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	_	=======================================	<del></del>	
Operating income (loss)  Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities  Depreciation and net amortization	\$	(15,140) \$	(15,140)	
(Increase)/Decrease in Interfund Receivable		(134)	(134)	
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable		1,530	1,530	
Increase/(Decrease) in Interfund Payable Increase/(Decrease) in Unearned Revenue	_	831	831	
Total adjustments		2,227	2,227	
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	\$_	(12,913) \$	(12,913)	



# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2020

		Unemployment Compensation Trust		Agency Fund
ASSETS				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	1	\$	954
Total Assets		1		954
LIABILITIES	_			
Accounts Payable Due to General Fund Due to Student Groups Payroll Deductions and Withholding		1		497 368 89
	_	1	\$_	954
NET POSITION				
Unreserved for Unemployment Claims	\$		ı	

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

ADDITIONS	Private Unemployment Compensation Trust
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Contributions:	\$
Total Contributions	
Investment Earnings: Interest	
Total Investment Earnings	
DEDUCTIONS	
Unemployment Claims	
Total Deductions	
Change in Net Position	
Net Position—Beginning of the Year	
Net Position—End of the Year	\$

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#### NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL AND REPORTING ENTITY

The Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc is located in the County of Salem, State of New Jersey and was incorporated on March 28, 2019. It was created on through the approval of its New Jersey Charter Schools Application by the State of New Jersey, Department of Education. As a Charter School, the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. functions independently as an educational institution through a Board of Trustees (the "Board"). In accordance with the bylaws of the Charter School the Board is to consist of not less than 3 and not more than 20 individuals.

#### A. Reporting Entity:

The primary criterion for including activities within the Charter School's reporting entity, 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 Charter School
- > there is a fiscal dependency by the organization on the Charter School

There were no additional entities required to be included in the reporting entity, under the criteria as described above, in the current fiscal year. Furthermore, the Charter School is not includable in any other reporting entity on the basis of such criteria.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Charter School's accounting policies are described below.

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), unanimously approved Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*. This Statement provides for the most significant change in financial reporting over twenty years and is scheduled for a phase-in implementation period (based on amount of revenues) starting with fiscal years ending 2002 (for larger governments). In addition, the Charter School has implemented GASB Statement No. 37, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments: Omnibus,* Statement No. 38, *Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures* and GASB No. 54 *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Descriptions*.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### **New Accounting Standards:**

The Charter School has adopted the following GASB statements:

➤ GASB Statement - No. 95 – Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance: The primary objective of this Statement is to provide temporary relief to governments and other stakeholders in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. The requirements of this Statement are effective immediately. Management is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 95 on the Charter School's financial statements.

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

- ➤ GASB No. 84 Fiduciary Activities: The objective of this Statement is to improve guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. The requirements of Statement will be effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019. The Board is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 84 on the Charter School's financial statements.
- ➤ GASB No. 87 Leases: 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. The requirements of Statement will be effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. The Board is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 87 on the Charter School's financial statements.
- ➤ GASB No. 89 Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period: The objectives of this Statement are (1) to enhance the relevance and comparability of information about capital assets and the cost of borrowing for a reporting period and (2) to simplify accounting for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2020. Management is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 89 on the Charter School's financial statements.
- ➤ GASB Statement No. 90 Majority Equity Interests—an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 61: The primary objectives of this Statement are to improve the consistency and comparability of reporting a government's majority equity interest in a legally separate organization and to improve the relevance of financial statement information for certain component units. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Management is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 90 on the Charter School's financial statements.
- ➤ GASB Statement No. 91 Conduit Debt Obligations: The primary objectives of this Statement are to provide a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2021. Management is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 91 on the Charter School's financial statements.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### New Accounting Standards (Cont'd):

- ➤ GASB Statement No. 92 Omnibus 2020: The objectives of this Statement are to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Management is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 92 on the Charter School's financial statements.
- ➤ GASB Statement No. 93 Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates: The objective of this Statement is to address those and other accounting and financial reporting implications that result from the replacement of an IBOR. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Management is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 93 on the Charter School's financial statements.
- ➤ GASB Statement No. 94 Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements: The primary objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public-public partnership arrangements (PPPs). The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022. Management is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 94 on the Charter School's financial statements.
- ➤ GASB Statement No. 96 Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements: This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022. Management is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 96 on the Charter School's financial statements.
- PASB Statement No. 97 Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 84, and a supersession of GASB Statement No. 32: The primary objectives of this Statement are to (1) increase consistency and comparability related to the reporting of fiduciary component units; (2) mitigate costs associated with the reporting of certain defined contribution pension plans, defined contribution other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plans, and employee benefit plans other than pension plans or OPEB plans (other employee benefit plans); and (3) enhance the relevance, consistency, and comparability of the accounting and financial reporting for Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 457 deferred compensation plans (Section 457 plans). The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Management is evaluating the potential impact of the adoption of GASB 97 on the Charter School's financial statements.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### A. Basis of Presentation:

The School's basic financial statements consist of School-wide statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

<u>Charter School-wide Statements</u>: The statement of net position and the statements of activities display information about the financial activities of the overall 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 School. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental and business-type activities of the School at the fiscal year end while the statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each different business-type activity of the School and for each function of the School's governmental activities.

- > Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expenses of the School related to the administration and support of the School's programs, such as personnel and accounting-are not allocated to programs.
- Program revenues include (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes and state formula aid, are presented as general revenues.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u>: During the fiscal year, the Charter School segregates transactions related to certain Charter School functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. The fund financial statements provide information about the School's funds, including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category – *governmental, proprietary,* and *fiduciary* – are presented. The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) has elected to require New Jersey Schools to treat each governmental fund as a major fund in accordance with the option noted in GASB No. 34, paragraph 76. The NJDOE believes that the presentation of all funds as major is important for public interest and to promote consistency among School financial reporting.

#### B. Fund Accounting:

The accounts of the 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 in accordance with activities or objectives specified for the resources. The operations for 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. The various funds and accounts are grouped, in the financial statements in this report:

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### B. Fund Accounting (Cont'd):

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE**

**General Fund** - The general fund is the general operating fund of the Charter School and is used to account for all expendable financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Included are certain expenditures for instructional and non-instructional equipment which are classified in the Capital Outlay sub-fund.

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

Resources for budgeted capital outlay purposes are normally derived from the "local levy" local share - charter school aid, "local levy" state share - charter school aid, categorical aid, revenues from other sources and appropriated fund balance. Expenditures are those, which result in the acquisition of or additions to capital assets for land, existing buildings, improvements of grounds, construction of buildings, additions to or remodeling of buildings and the purchase of built-in equipment. These resources can be transferred from and to Current Expense by Board resolution.

<u>Special Revenue Fund</u> - The Charter School accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources from the state and federal government (other than expendable trusts, major capital projects or enterprise funds) and local appropriations that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes in the special revenue fund.

<u>Capital Projects Fund</u> - The Charter School does not currently have any open capital projects.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> - The accounting system of the Charter School includes a Debt Service fund in accordance with state statute.

#### PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE

The focus of Proprietary Fund measurement is on determination of net income, financial position and cash flows. The applicable generally accepted accounting principles are similar to businesses in the private sector.

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities, whether current or noncurrent, associated with their activity are included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund equity (net total assets) is separated into contributed capital and unreserved retained earnings, if applicable. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### B. Fund Accounting (Cont'd):

The following is a description of the Proprietary Funds of the Charter School:

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

The School's Enterprise Fund is comprised of a Food Service Fund managed by an outside food service management company. During the 2019-20 School Year, the Charter School relinquished all of its authority, duties and obligations, with respect to School Nutrition Programs, to Camden's Promise Charter School. As such, inventory and commodity amounts were considered as owned by the Camden's Promise Charter School.

<u>Internal Service Fund</u>- The Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School does not maintain an Internal Service whereby services would be provided on a cost-reimbursement basis.

#### FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE

Fiduciary Funds include Expendable Trust, Nonexpendable Trust and Agency Funds. The measurement focus of the Expendable Trust Funds is the same as for governmental funds. The measurement focus of the Nonexpendable Trust Funds is similar to Proprietary Funds. Agency Funds are purely custodial (assets equal liabilities) and thus do not involve measurement of results of operations. The following is a description of the Fiduciary Funds of the Charter School:

<u>Trust and Agency Funds</u>- The trust and agency funds are used to account for assets held by the Charter School in a Trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments or other funds.

Nonexpendable Trust Fund- A nonexpendable trust fund is used to account for assets held under the terms of a formal trust agreement, whereby the Charter School is under obligation to maintain the trust principal. The accounting system of the Charter School does not include a nonexpendable trust fund.

**Expendable Trust Fund** - An Expendable Trust Fund is accounted for in essentially the same manner as the governmental fund types, using the same measurement focus and basis of accounting. Expendable Trust Funds account for assets where both the principal and interest may be spent. The Expendable Trust Funds consists of an Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund.

Agency Funds (Payroll and Student Activities Fund)- Agency funds are used to account for the assets that the Charter School holds on behalf of others as their agent. Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The accounting system of the Charter School includes a payroll fund and a student activities fund.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### C. Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus:

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 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 unearned revenue, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures. Ad Valorem (Property) Taxes are susceptible to accrual as under the New Jersey State Statute a municipality is required to remit to its Charter School the entire balance of taxes in the amount voted upon or certified, prior to the end of the school year. The School records the entire approved tax levy as revenue (accrued) at the start of the fiscal year, since the revenue is both measurable and available.

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 in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

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

The accrual basis of accounting is used for measuring financial position and operating results of proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust funds. Under this method, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they are earned and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### D. Budgets/Budgetary Control:

Charter School budgets are prepared annually and are submitted to the Department of Education for review. Budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The legal level of budgetary control is established at line item accounts within each fund. Line item accounts are mandated by the Department of Education and are detailed in the Charter School Budget Summary form that is part of the New Jersey Charter School Application and are defined as the lowest (most specific) level of detail referenced in NJAC 6:20-2A (m) 1. Transfers of appropriations may be made by Board resolution at any time during the fiscal year.

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the year. For governmental funds there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and generally accepted accounting principles with the exception of 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 to be maintained to allow for the presentation of GAAP basis financial reports.

There is a reconciliation of the special revenue funds from the budgetary basis of accounting, as presented in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual - General, Special Revenue and Debt Service Funds, to the GAAP basis of accounting as presented in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental Fund Types. (See Exhibit C-3).

#### E. Encumbrance 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 revenue fund are reported as reservations of fund balances at fiscal yearend as they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities but rather commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services. The budget, as detailed on Exhibit B-2, includes all amendments to the adopted budget, if any.

Open encumbrances in the special revenue fund for which the Charter School has received advances (if any) are reflected in the balance sheet as unearned 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.

The Charter School had no open orders reserved for encumbrances in the general fund, at June 30, 2020.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### F. Tuition:

The Charter School Program Act of 1995 specifically prohibits a charter school from charging tuition to students who reside in the district of the charter school or are non-resident students.

#### G. Short-term Interfund Receivables/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 Charter School, and that are due within one year.

#### H. Inventories and Prepaid Expenses:

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

On School-wide financial statements and in the enterprise fund inventories are valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first-in-first-out (FIFO) method. Prepaid expenses in the Enterprise Fund represent payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2020.

#### I. Assets, Liabilities and Equity:

#### **Transactions**

Interfund receivables/payables represent amounts that are owed, other than charges for goods or services rendered to/from a particular fund in the School and that are due within one year.

#### Inventories and Prepaid Expenses

On Charter School-wide financial statements and in the enterprise fund, inventories are valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first-in-first-out (FIFO) method and is expended when used. Prepaid expenses in the Enterprise Fund represent payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2020.

#### Capital Assets

General fixed assets acquired or constructed during the year are recorded at actual cost. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received. The general fixed assets acquired or constructed prior to June 30, 2020 are valued at cost based on historical records or through estimation procedures performed by an independent appraisal company. Capital assets are reflected as expenditures in the applicable governmental funds, and the related assets are reported in the Statement of Net Position. Expenditures that enhance the asset or significantly extend the useful life of the asset are considered improvements and are added to the fixed asset's currently capitalized cost. The cost of normal repairs and maintenance are not capitalized. As of June 30, 2020, the Charter School had no assets that met the criteria for capitalization of fixed assets.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### I. Assets, Liabilities and Equity (Cont'd):

Capital assets are to be depreciated in the School-wide financial statements using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	Estimated
Asset Class	Useful Lives
School Building	30-50
Building Improvements	20
Vehicles	8
Office and Computer Equipment	5-10
Instructional Equipment	10
Grounds Equipment	15

#### J. Compensated Absences:

Compensated absences are those for which employees will be paid, such as vacation, sick leave, and sabbatical leave. A liability for compensated absences that are attributable to services already rendered and that are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the School and its employees, is accrued as the employees earn the rights to the benefits.

In accordance with Statement No. 16 of the (GASB) entitled "Accounting for Compensated Absences", Compensated absences that relate to future services, or that are contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the School and its employees, are accounted for in the period in which such services are rendered or in which such events take place and will be calculated in accordance with formulas outlined in the Charter School agreements with any collective bargaining units and included in the budget of the current year of payment.

In governmental and similar trust funds, compensated absences that are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported as an expenditure and fund liability in the fund that will pay for the compensated absences. There currently is no formal policy concerning payment of accumulated absences and no liability to be reported in the Statement of Net Position.

In proprietary and similar trust funds, compensated absences are recorded as an expense and liability of the fund that will pay for them. As of June 30, 2020, no liability existed for compensated absences in the Food Service Fund.

#### K. Unearned Revenue:

Unearned revenue in the special revenue fund represents cash, which has been received but not yet earned (see Note 2(B) regarding the special revenue fund).

#### L. Fund Equity:

Contributed capital represents the amount of fund capital contributed to the proprietary funds from other funds. Reserves represent those portions of fund equity not appropriable for expenditure or legally segregated for a specific future use. Designated fund balances represent plans for future use of financial resources.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### M. Management Estimates:

In order for the preparation of basic financial statements to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### N. Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations:

All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported on the School-wide financial statements. Long-term debt is recognized as a liability of a governmental fund when due, or when resources have been accumulated in the debt service fund for payment early in the following year. For other long-term obligations, only that portion expected to be financed from expendable available financial resources is reported as a fund liability of a governmental fund.

#### O. Extraordinary and Special Items:

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of management and are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither of these types of transactions occurred during the fiscal year.

#### P. Charter School Funding:

The Charter School is largely funded on its enrollment through the local levy and categorical aid, which follows a particular student. Funding flows from the State to the district Board of Education and then to the Charter School. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:36A-12 "the school district of residence shall pay directly to the Charter School for each student enrolled in the charter school who resides in the district a presumptive amount equal to 90% of the local tax levy budget per pupil for the specific grade level in the district. At the discretion of the commissioner and at the time the charter is granted, the commissioner may require the school district of residence to pay directly to the charter school for each student enrolled in the charter school an amount equal to less than 90%, or an amount, which shall not exceed 100% of the local levy budget per pupil for the specific grade in the district of residence. The per pupil amount paid to the charter school shall not exceed the local levy budget per pupil for the specific grade level in the district in which the charter school is located. The district of residence shall also pay directly to the charter school any categorical aid attributable to the student, provided the student is receiving appropriate categorical services, and any federal funds attributable to the student".

During the school year, a charter school shall conduct an enrollment count on October 15, and the last day of the school year. A charter school shall submit each count through a summary school register for the purposes of determining average daily enrollment. Based on these counts, a charter school's revenue is adjusted accordingly.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### Q. Net Position:

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. 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. The Charter School's policy is to first apply restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

#### R. Fund Balance Reserves:

The Charter School reserves those portions of fund balance which are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available expendable resources and, therefore, are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion which is available for appropriation in future periods. A fund balance reserve would be established for encumbrances.

#### S. Operating Revenues and Expenses:

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the enterprise fund. For the School Charter School, these revenues are sales for food service. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the service that is the primary activity of the enterprise fund.

#### T. Revenues – Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions:

Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On the modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the School, available means within sixty days of the fiscal year end. Nonexchange transactions, in which the Charter School receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, income taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On the accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from income taxes is recognized in the period in which the income is earned.

Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or for the fiscal year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the Charter School must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Charter School on a reimbursement basis. On the modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized. Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered both measurable and available at fiscal year-end: property taxes available as an advance, interest, and tuition.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### U. Comparative Data/Reclassifications:

Comparative total data for the prior year have been presented in selected sections of the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of the changes in the Charter School's financial position and operations. Also, certain immaterial amounts presented in the prior year data have been reclassified in order to be consistent with the current year's presentation.

#### V. Allocation of Indirect Expenses:

The Charter School reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Indirect expenses are allocated to functions but are reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Employee benefits, including the employer's share of social security, workers compensation, and medical and dental benefits, were allocated based on salaries of that program. Depreciation expense, where practicable, is specifically identified by function and is included in the indirect expense column of the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense that could not be attributed to a specific function is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities. Interest on long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities.

#### W. Lease Acquisition Costs:

As part of any long-term lease agreement, providing for the use of school buildings, payments constituting professional lease acquisition and other related professional fees will expensed when incurred in accordance with GASB Statement No. 65. There were no such leases for the year ended June 30, 2020.

#### NOTE 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

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 a maturity of one year or less when purchased are stated at cost. All other investments are stated at fair value.

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

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 for 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.

#### Deposits:

New Jersey statutes require that school districts 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. School districts are also permitted to deposit public funds in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

#### NOTE 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONT'D)

New Jersey statues 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 5% 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 Unites 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 no greater than twelve months from the date of purchase.
- c. Bonds of other obligations of the school district.

As of June 30, 2020, cash and cash equivalents in the fund financial statements of the Charter School consisted of the following:

	Cash and Cash Equivalents
Checking Accounts	\$ 30,881
Total	\$ 30,881

<u>Custodial Credit Risk</u>—Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Charter School's deposits may not be recovered. Although the Charter School does not have a formal policy regarding custodial credit risk, N.J.S.A 17:9-41 et seq. requires that the governmental units shall deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). GUDPA is a supplemental insurance program set forth by the New Jersey Legislature to protect the deposits of local government agencies. The program is administered by the Commissioner of the NJ Department of Banking and Insurance. Under the Act, the first \$250,000 of governmental deposits in each insured depository is protected by FDIC.

#### NOTE 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONT'D)

Funds owned by the Charter School in excess of FDIC insured amounts are protected by GUDPA. As of June 30, 2020, the Charter School's bank balance of \$75,271 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Insured	\$ 75,271
Uninsured and collateralized with securities held by pledging financial institutions	
	\$ 75,271

New Jersey Cash Management Fund – During the fiscal year, the School District participated in the New Jersey Cash Management Fund. The Fund is governed by regulations of the State Investment Council, who prescribe standards designed to insure the quality of investments in order to minimize risk to the Funds participants. Deposits with the New Jersey Cash Management Fund are not subject to custodial credit risk as defined above. At June 30, 2020, the Charter School had no funds on deposit with the New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

#### **NOTE 4. PENSION PLANS**

**Description of Plans** - Eligible employees of the School District can be covered by Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), or Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP). PERS and TPAF are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits (NJDPB) and the DCRP is jointly administered by Prudential and NJDPB. The NJDPB issues publicly available financial reports that include financial statements and required supplementary information for the systems. These reports may be obtained online at <a href="https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml">https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml</a>.

#### **Public Employees' Retirement System**

The PERS is a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that was established in 1955. The PERS provides retirement, death and disability, and medical benefits to qualified members. The vesting and benefit provisions for PERS are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits that vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of PERS.

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 age 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 tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 with 25 years or more of service credit before age 62, and tier 5 with 30 years or more of service credit before age 65.

#### **NOTE 4. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)**

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

Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at 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 55 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.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

_Tier_	Definition
1	Members who are 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 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.

Contributions - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. The PERS member total contribution rate as of July 1, 2019 was 7.5% of base salary. The District employees' contributions for the year ended June 30, 2020 were. Employers in PERS are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate which includes funding for cost-of-living adjustments, noncontributory death benefits, and post-retirement medical premiums. The PERS employer rate due in 2020 is 13.69% of covered payroll. The District is billed annually for its normal contribution plus any accrued liability. These contributions were paid by the District and equal to the required contributions for each year. The District's contributions to PERS for the years ended June 30, 2020 was \$0.

Components of Net Pension Liability - At June 30, 2020, the District's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability was \$0. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2019. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's actual contributions to the plan relative to the total of all participating employers' contributions for the year ended June 30, 2019.

**Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources** - The District's 2020 PERS pension expense, with respect to GASB 68, was \$0. In addition, the District had no deferred pension outflows of resources and deferred pension inflows of resources, as of June 30 2020.

#### **NOTE 4. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)**

**Actuarial Assumptions -** The total pension liability for the June 30, 2019 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2019. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

	PERS
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%
Salary Scale (Based on Age):	
Through 2026	2.00% - 6.00%
Thereafter	3.00% - 7.00%
Inflation Rate – Price	2.75%
Inflation Rate – Wage	3.25%

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2019.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2018 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018.

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, 2019) 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 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 weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

#### NOTE 4. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

#### Public Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2019 are summarized in the following table:

PERS		
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.67%
Cash Equivalents	5.00%	2.00%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	2.68%
Investment Grade Credit	10.00%	4.25%
High Yield	2.00%	5.37%
Private Credit	6.00%	7.92%
Real Assets	2.50%	9.31%
Real Estate	7.50%	8.33%
U.S. Equity	28.00%	8.26%
Non-U.S. Developed Markets Equity	12.50%	9.00%
Emerging Markets Equity	6.50%	11.37%
Private Equity	12.00%	10.85%
Total	100.00%	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.28% as of June 30, 2019. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00% and a municipal bond rate of 3.50% as of June 30, 2019 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 based on 70% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. 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 2057. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2057 and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

#### **NOTE 4. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)**

#### Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund

The State of New Jersey Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) is a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation that was established in 1955. As under current statute, all employer contributions are made by the State of New Jersey on behalf of the District and the system's other related non-contributing employers. Membership is mandatory for substantially all teachers or members of the professional staff certified by the State Board of Examiners, and employees of the Department of Education who have titles that are unclassified, professional and certified.

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

The following represents the membership tiers for TPAF:

Tier_	Definition
1	Members who are 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 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.

**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. 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. In addition, each local participating employer must recognize pension expense associated with the employer as well as revenue in an amount equal to the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective pension expense associated with the local participating employer.

#### **NOTE 4. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)**

#### **Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (Continued)**

Contributions - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 18A:66 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. The member contribution rate was 7.5% in as of July 1, 2019. 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 2019, the State's pension contribution was less that the actuarial determined amount. Under current statute, all employer contributions are made by the State of New Jersey on-behalf of the District and all other related noncontributing employers. No normal or accrued liability contribution by the District has been required over several preceding fiscal years. These on-behalf contributions by the State of New Jersey are considered a special funding situation, under the definition of GASB 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. The District was not required to make any contributions to the pension plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 because of the 100% special funding situation with the State of New Jersey.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the State of New Jersey contributed \$0 to the TPAF for pension contributions, \$0 for post-retirement benefits on behalf of the School, and \$0 for long-term disability. Also, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:66-66 the State of New Jersey reimbursed the District \$10,657 during the year ended June 30, 2020 for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members, as calculated on their base salaries.

Components of Net Pension Liability - At June 30, 2020, the District was not required to report a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability because of a 100% reduction for State of New Jersey pension support provided to the District.

**Pension Expense** - For the year ended June 30, 2020, the District recognized pension expense of \$0 and revenue of \$0 for support provided by the State.

**Actuarial Assumptions -** The total pension liability for the June 30, 2019 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2019. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

	TPAF
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%
Salary Scale (Based on Age):	
Through 2026	1.55% - 4.45%
Thereafter	2.75% - 5.65%
Inflation Rate – Price	2.75%
Inflation Rate – Wage	3.25%

#### NOTE 4. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (Continued)

**Long-Term Expected Rate of Return -** Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in TPAF's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2019 are summarized in the following table:

TPAF		
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.67%
Cash Equivalents	5.00%	2.00%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	2.68%
Investment Grade Credit	10.00%	4.25%
High Yield	2.00%	5.37%
Private Credit	6.00%	7.92%
Real Assets	2.50%	9.31%
Real Estate	7.50%	8.33%
U.S. Equity	28.00%	8.26%
Non-U.S. Developed Markets Equity	12.50%	9.00%
Emerging Markets Equity	6.50%	11.37%
Private Equity	12.00%	10.85%
Total	100.00%	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.60% as of June 30, 2019. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00% and a municipal bond rate of 3.50% as of June 30, 2019 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 based on 70% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State. 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 2054. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2054 and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

#### **NOTE 4. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)**

#### **Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (Continued)**

Sensitivity of the Collective Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the collective net pension liability of the participating employers as of June 30, 2020, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the collective 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:

	1% Decrease (4.60%)	Current Discount (5.60%)	1% Increase (6.60%)
State's Share of the Net Pension Liability associated with the District	\$	\$	\$
State's Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 72,544,649,801	\$ 61,519,112,443	\$ 52,371,397,951

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

The Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP) is a multiple-employer defined contribution pension fund that was established in 2007 under the provisions of N.J.S.A 43:15C-1. The DCRP provides eligible members with a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance and long-term disability coverage. Vesting and benefit provisions are established by N.J.S.A. 43:15C-1 et seq.

The following represents the individuals eligible for membership in the DCRP:

#### Eligibility

- 1. State or Local Officials who are elected or appointed on or after July 1, 2007
- 2. Employees enrolled in the PERS or TPAF on or after July 1, 2007, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits
- 3. Employees enrolled in the PFRS or SPRS after May 21, 2010, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits
- 4. Employees otherwise eligible to enroll in the PERS or TPAF on or after November 2, 2008, who do not earn the minimum annual salary for PERS or TPAF Tier 3 enrollment but who earn salary of at least \$5,000 annually
- 5. Employees otherwise eligible to enroll in the PERS or TPAF after May 21, 2010, who do not work the minimum number of hours per week required for PERS or TPAF Tier 4 or Tier 5 enrollment but who earn salary of at least \$5,000 annually

**Contributions** – The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A 43:15C-3 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Plan members are required to contribute 5.5% of their base salary and the District's employer match is an additional 3% contribution. For the year ended June 30, 2020, employee contributions totaled \$0 and the District's employer contribution, recognized in pension expense, was \$0. There were no forfeitures during the fiscal year.

**Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position -** Detailed information about each pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits financial report. Information on where to obtain the report is indicated at the beginning of this note.

#### NOTE 5. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB)

#### General Information about the OPEB Plan

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

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

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

#### **Special Funding Situation**

The participating local education employer allocations included in the supplemental schedule of special funding amounts by employer are provided as each local education employer is required to record in their financial statements, as an expense and corresponding revenue, their respective amount of total OPEB expense attributable to the State of New Jersey under the special funding situation and to include their respective amount of total OPEB liability in their notes to their financial statements. The total OPEB liability and service cost for each employer was determined separately based on actual data for each employer's participants.

#### NOTE 5. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (Continued)

#### **Total OPEB Liability**

The State of New Jersey's total OPEB liability, as of the measurement date of June 30, 2019, was \$41,729,081,045. Of this amount, the total OPEB liability attributable to the Charter School was \$0. The State of New Jersey's proportionate share of the total OPEB liability is 100%, including the proportion attributable to the Charter School of 0.00000%. The total OPEB liability for the Charter School measured as of June 30, 2019 is zero as a result of the Special Funding Situation with the State of New Jersey. The Charter School's proportionate share of the total OPEB liability measured as of June 30, 2019 is 0.00%. Accordingly, the Charter School did not recognize any portion of the collective net OPEB liability on the Statement of Net Position.

#### **Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability**

The total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2018, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2019. 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:

	TPAF/ABP	PERS	PFRS
Inflation Rate	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%
	Based on	Based on	Based on
Salary Increases:	Service Years	Age	Age
Through 2026	1.55% - 3.05%	2.00% - 6.00%	3.25% - 15.25% Applied to all
Thereafter	1.55% - 3.05%	3.00% - 7.00%	future years

Preretirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Healthy "Teachers" (TPAF/ABP), "General" (PERS), and "Safety" (PFRS) classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2019. Postretirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 "General" classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2019. Disability mortality was based on the Pub-2010 "General" classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2019.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2018 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies for the periods July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2018, July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2018, and July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2018 for TPAF, PERS and PFRS, respectively.

#### **Health Care Trend Assumptions**

For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend rate is initially 5.7% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years. For post-65 medical benefits, the actual fully-insured Medicare Advantage trend rate for fiscal year 2020 are reflected. The assumed post-65 medical trend is 4.5% for all future years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 7.5% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate eight years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.0%.

#### NOTE 5. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (Continued)

#### Discount rate

The discount rate for June 30, 2019 was 3.50%. 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. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

#### Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

State of New Jersey		<b>Total OPEB Liability</b>
Balance as of June 30, 2018 Measurement Date	\$	46,110,832,982
Changes for the year:		
Service Cost		1,734,404,850
Interest		1,827,787,206
Changes of Benefit Terms		
Differences between Expected and Actual		(7,323,140,818)
Changes of Assumptions		622,184,027
Benefit Payments		(1,280,958,373)
Contributions from Members		37,971,171
Net Changes	•	(4,381,751,937)
Balance as of June 30, 2019 Measurement Date	\$	41,729,081,045

#### Sensitivity of Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability to changes in the discount rate:

The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019, respectively, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the total nonemployer OPEB liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current rate:

At 1.00% Decrease	At Discount Rate	At 1.00% Increase
2.50%	3.50%	4.50%
\$ 49,298,534,898	41,729,081,045	35,716,321,820

#### 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, 2019, 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:

	June 30, 2019	
	Healthcare Cost	
1.00% Decrease	Trend Rate	1.00% Increase
\$ 34,832,902,820	41,729,081,045	51,453,912,586

#### NOTE 5. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (Continued)

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

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the Charter School recognized OPEB expense of \$0. The Charter School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources from the following sources:

	_	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$		\$	
Changes of Assumptions				
Net difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on OPEB Plan Investments				
Changes in Proportion				
Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	_		_	
Total	\$		\$	

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

Measurement Period		
Ending June 30,	OPI	EB
2020	\$	
2021		
2022		
2023		
2024		
Thereafter		
Total	\$	

#### NOTE 6. FUND BALANCE

General Fund - Of the \$72,598 in General Fund balance at June 30, 2020, all is unassigned.

#### **NOTE 7. LITIGATION**

The Charter School is from time to time involved in claims and lawsuits incidental to its operations. Per confirmation by the Charter School's legal counsel, there are no pending litigations, claims, assessments of contingent liability against the Charter School.

#### **NOTE 8. 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.

<u>Property and Liability Insurance</u>- The Charter School maintains commercial insurance coverage for property, liability, student accident and surety bonds.

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance—The Charter School has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the Reserve method. Under this plan, the Charter School is required to contribute a percentage of wages to the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund on a quarterly basis. The following is a summary of Charter School contributions, employee contributions, reimbursements to the State for benefits paid and the ending balance of the Charter School's expendable trust fund for the current year:

Dala	Charter		<b>-</b>				
Balance	School		Employee				
June 30,	Contributions	_	Contributions	_	Claims	_	Balance
2020 \$		\$		\$		\$	

#### NOTE 9. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

The following interfund balances remained on the balance sheet at June 30, 2020:

Fund		Interfund Receivable	 Interfund Payable
General	\$	24,798	\$ 22.460
Special Revenue Agency			23,469 496
Student Activity			1
Unemployment			1
Food Service			831
Total	\$_	24,798	\$ 24,798

#### **NOTE 10. RECEIVABLES**

Receivables as of year-end for the Charter School's individual major and fiduciary funds, in the aggregate, are as follows:

Receivables:		General Fund	 Special Revenue Fund	 Proprietary Funds	Total
Intergovernment State Federal Local	al \$ -	119,240 75,311	\$ 25,701	\$ 1 133	\$ 119,241 25,834 75,311
Totals	\$	194,551	\$ 25,701	\$ 134	\$ 220,386

#### **NOTE 11. OPERATING LEASES**

#### **Lease Agreements**

<u>Buildings</u> – On May 9, 2019, the Charter School executed a four-year rental agreement with Apple Farm Arts and Music Center, whereby, the Charter School shall be granted access to the premises located at 457 Shirley Rd, Elmer, NJ. At the end of the four-year period, the rental agreement may be renewed annually for an aggregate term of twenty years. The following represents the future minimum lease payments associated with this rental agreement:

Year	 Amount
2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023	\$ 180,000 210,000 240,000
Total	\$ 630,000

**Equipment** – The following includes the operating lease for equipment as of June 30, 2020.

Year		Amount
2020-2021	\$	12,038
2021-2022		12,038
2022-2023		5,015
Total	_	29,091

#### **NOTE 12. TAX ABATEMENT**

As defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), a tax abatement is an agreement between a government and an individual or entity in which the government Creativity CoLaboratory to forgo tax revenues and the individual or entity Creativity CoLaboratory to subsequently take a specific action that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the government or its citizens. School districts are not authorized by New Jersey statute to enter into tax abatement agreements. However, the county or municipality in which the school district is situated may have entered into tax abatement agreements, and that potential must be disclosed in these financial statements. If the county or municipality entered into tax abatement agreements, those agreements will not directly affect the school district's local tax revenue because NJSA 54:4-75 and NJSA 54:4-76 require that amounts so forgiven must effectively be recouped from other taxpayers and remitted to the school district.

For a local school district board of education or board of school estimate that has elected to raise their minimum tax levy using the required local share provisions at NJSA 18A:7F-5(b), the loss of revenue resulting from the municipality or county having entered into a tax abatement agreement is indeterminate due to the complex nature of the calculation of required local share performed by the New Jersey Department of Education based upon district property value and wealth.

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

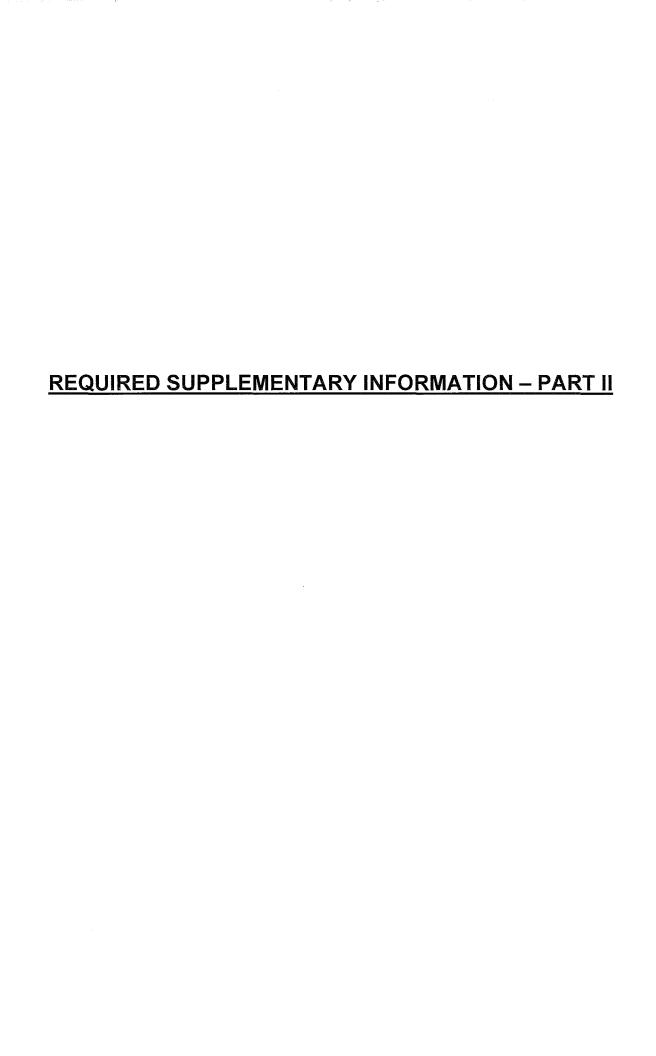
#### NOTE 13. RESERVED FUND BALANCE - ESCROW

New Jersey Charter Schools are required to maintain an Escrow Reserve account up to \$75,000 in accordance with state statute. The organization documents of the Creative Collaborative Charter School indicate that reflecting the initial reserve requirement will begin in the 2020-21 school-year.

#### **NOTE 14. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

There were no other events noted, between the year-end and the date of the audit report, requiring disclosure.

End of Notes to Financial Statements





# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE-GENERAL FUND COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

REVENUES:	_	Original Budget	Budget Transfers		Final Budget	Revenue/ Expenditures	Variance Favorable (Unfavorab	e/
"Local Tax Levy"- Local Share - Charter School Aid:								
	\$	50,375 \$		\$	50,375 \$	50,375	œ	
Alloway Township	Ф	50,375 ф 554	`	₽	50,575 \$ 554	50,375	Φ	
City of Bridgeton								
Clearview Regional Delsea Regional		5,553 91,867			5,553 91,867	5,553 91,867		
Franklin Township		69,342			69,342	69,342		
•						•		
Borough of Glassboro		5,132			5,132	5,132		
Harrison Township		6,659			6,659	6,659		
Hopewell Township		9,174			9,174	9,174		
Kingsway Regional		51,250			51,250	51,250		
Mannington Township		14,155			14,155	14,155		
City of Millville		3,516			3,516	3,516		
Monroe Township		5,621			5,621	5,621		
Borough of Newfield		10,064			10,064	10,064		
Penns Grove Carneys Point Regional		8,382			8,382	8,382		
Pennsville Township		7,866			7,866	7,866		
Pittsgrove Township		151,054	5,272		156,326	156,326		
Quinton Township		4,001			4,001	4,001		
South Harrison Township		64,758			64,758	64,758		
Upper Pittsgrove Township		41,717			41,717	41,717		
City of Vineland		1,251			1,251	1,251		
West Deptford		16,200			16,200	16,200		
City of Woodbury		4,906			4,906	4,906		
Woodstown-Pilesgrove Regional	_	35,948			35,948	35,948		
Total - Local Share Tax Levy		659,345	5,272		664,617	664,617		
Local Tax Levy- State Share - Charter School Aid:								
Equalization aid		552,119	(14,701)		537,418	537,418		
Total - Local Levy Budget	_	1,211,464	(9,429)		1,202,035	1,202,035		_
Categorical Aids:								_
Special Education		54,481	14,009		68,490	68,490		
Security Aid		17,041	(3,948)		13,093	13,093		
•				_				
Total Categorical Aids	_	71,522	10,061		81,583	81,583		—
Other State Aid:						10 GE7	10.65	7
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contributions (Non-budgeted)	' _		<u> </u>		··· · · · · · · ·	10,657	10,65	
Total Other State Aid	_					10,657	10,65	57
Total State Aid	_	1,282,986	632		1,283,618	1,294,275	10,65	57
Revenue from Other Sources								
Total Revenue from Other Sources								
TOTAL REVENUES	\$_	1,282,986 \$	632	 \$	1,283,618 \$	1,294,275	\$ 10,65	

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# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL GENERAL FUND COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 (CONTINUED)

		Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Expenditures	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES: CURRENT EXPENSES:						
Regular Programs - Instruction:	_					
Salaries of Teachers - Grades 1-5	\$	306,607 \$	33,445 \$	340,052	•	
Salaries of Teachers - Grades 6-8 Other Salaries for Instruction		116,393 20,000	(20,000)	116,393	115,193	1,200
		20,000	(20,000)			
Regular Programs - Undistributed Instruction:						
Purchased Professional/ Technical Services		20,000	(2,804)	17,196	17,196	
Other Purchased Services		45,000	(43,422)	1,578	1,000	578
General Supplies		57,600	(6,857)	50,743	22,275	28,468
Textbooks		25,000	(5,000)	20,000	13,375	6,625
Other Objects		4,000	(3,000)	1,000		1,000
TOTAL REGULAR PROGRAMS - INSTRUCTION	_	594,600	(47,638)	546,962	505,583	41,379
UNDISTRIBUTED EXPENDITURES:						
General Administration						
Salaries Administrative		109,000	(7,909)	101,091	87,877	13,214
Legal Services		5,000	2,000	7,000	5,187	1,813
Other Purchased Services		60,000	46	60,046	58,289	1,757
Communications/Telephone		25,000	(3,565)	21,435	13,730	7,705
General Supplies		4,800	4,700	9,500	9,500	
Miscellaneous Expenditures		2,000		2,000	1,321	679
Total General Administration		205,800	(4,728)	201,072	175,904	25,168
School Administration						
Salaries of Other Professional Staff		85.000	(36,000)	49,000	46,165	2.835
Purchased Professional and Techinical Serv		60,000	44,677	104,677	97,712	6,965
Supplies and Materials		9,600	18,406	28,006	28,006	0,000
Other Objects		2,000	(1,000)	1,000	729	271
Total School Administration	_	156,600	26,083	182,683	172,612	10,071
	_					
Support Services		400.000		400.000	400.000	
Rental of Land and Buildings		120,000	7.044	120,000	120,000	
Insurance		15,275	7,844	23,119	23,119	
Energy	_	40,000	(3,062)	36,938	36,938	
Total Operation and Maintenance of Plant Services	_	175,275	4,782	180,057	180,057	
	\$	1,132,275 \$	(21,501) \$	1,110,774	\$ 1,034,156	\$ 76,618

# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL GENERAL FUND COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 (CONTINUED)

	100	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Expenditures	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES: (Continued) CURRENT EXPENSES: (Continued)	_					<del>(ommonato)</del>
Unallocated Benefits Health Benefits	\$	117,000 \$	55,844 \$	172,844 \$	168,070	\$ 4,774
Total Unallocated		117,000	55,844	172,844	168,070	4,774
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contributions (Non-budgeted)	_				10,657	(10,657)
TOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	_				10,657	(10,657)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES - CURRENT EXPENSE	_	1,249,275	34,343	1,283,618	1,212,883	70,735
Capital Outlay Undistributed Expenditures		10,000	(10,000)			
Total Equipment		10,000	(10,000)			
Facilities Acquisition & Construction Services Lease/Purchase - Principal Bldgs. Other than Lease Purchase Agreement		10,000 10,000	(10,000) (10,000)			
Total Facilities Acquisition & Construction Services		20,000	(20,000)			
Total Capital Outlay expenditures TOTAL EXPENDITURES		30,000	(30,000)	1,283,618	1,212,883	70,735
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		3,711	(3,711)		81,392	81,392
Other Financing Sources: Operating Transfer (Out) and In: Food Service					(8,794)	(8,794)
Total other Financing Sources					(8,794)	(8,794)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and other Financing Uses		3,711	(3,711)		72,598	72,598
Fund Balances, July 1						
Fund Balances, June 30	\$	3,711 \$	(3,711) \$		72,598	\$ 72,598
Recapitulation:  Restricted Fund Balance:  Unassigned Fund Balance:  Unassigned Fund Balance					72,598	
-				S	72,598	
				4	. 12,000	

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUND AS OF JUNE 30, 2020

REVENUES:	_	Original Budget		Budget Transfers	_	Final Budget		Actual	<u>_</u> F	Variance Final to Actual
Federal Sources State Sources Other	\$	38,606	\$		\$	38,606	\$	25,701	\$	(12,905)
Total Revenues	_	38,606			_	38,606	_	25,701	_	(12,905)
EXPENDITURES: Instruction Salaries Personal Services Supplies and Materials	_	10,000 3,637			_	10,000 3,637		10,000 2,232	_	1,405
Total Instruction	_	13,637			-	13,637		12,232	_	1,405
Support Services Salaries Personal Services Employee Benefits Purchased Professional & Technical Services - Other Supplies and Materials	-	2,500 3,691 13,469 5,309	•		_	2,500 3,691 13,469 5,309	_	13,469	_	2,500 3,691 5,309
Total Support Services	-	24,969			_	24,969	_	13,469	_	11,500
Total Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	_		•						_	
Total Expenditures	-	38,606	•		_	38,606	_	25,701	_	12,905
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_		•		_		-		_	
Total Outflows	-	38,606	•		_	38,606	_	25,701	_	12,905
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)	_		•		_		-			
Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ _		\$ •		\$_		\$_		\$_	

## NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PART II

# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGET-TO-GAAP RECONCILIATION NOTE TO RSI - PART II FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

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

		 General Fund			Special Revenue Fund
Sources/inflows of resources  Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "revenue"  from the budgetary comparison schedule  Difference - budget to GAAP:	[C-1]	\$ 1,294,275	[C-2]	\$	25,701
Grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that encumbrances are recognized as expenditures, and the related revenue is recognized.  State aid payment recognized for budgetary purposes, not recognized for GAAP statements					(2,232)
Total revenues as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances - governmental funds.	[B-2]	\$ 1,294,275	[B-2]	\$	23,469
Uses/outflows of resources  Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total outflows" from the budgetary comparison schedule  Differences - budget to GAAP  Encumbrances for supplies and equipment ordered but not received are reported in the year the order is placed for budgetary purposes, but in the year the supplies are received for financial reporting purposes.  Transfers to and from other funds are presented as outflows of budgetary resources but are not expenditures	[C-1]	\$ 1,212,883	[C-2]	\$	25,701
for financial reporting purposes.  Net transfers (outflows) to general fund		 		. ,,	
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - governmental funds	[B-2]	\$ 1,212,883	[B-2]	\$	23,469

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PART III

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) Last Ten Fiscal Years\*

	_	2019
District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability		0.000000%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability		
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$	20,000
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a percentage of its Covered-Employee Payroll		0.00%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the Total Pension Liability		56.27%

Note: The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year end measurement date.

<sup>\*</sup> This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will include information for those years for which information is available.

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL Schedule of District Contributions Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) Last Ten Fiscal Years\*

		2019
Contractually Required Contribution		
Contributions in relation to the Contractually Required Contribution		
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	-	
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$	20,000
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll		0.00%

<sup>\*</sup> This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will include information for those years for which information is available.

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) Last Ten Fiscal Years\*

	_	2019
District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability		0.000000%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability		
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$	162,300
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a percentage of its Covered-Employee Payroll		0.00%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the Total Pension Liability		26.95%

Note: The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year end measurement date.

<sup>\*</sup> This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will include information for those years for which information is available.

#### **EXHIBIT M-1**

#### **CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL**

## Required Supplementary Information - Part III Schedule of Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan Last Ten Fiscal Years

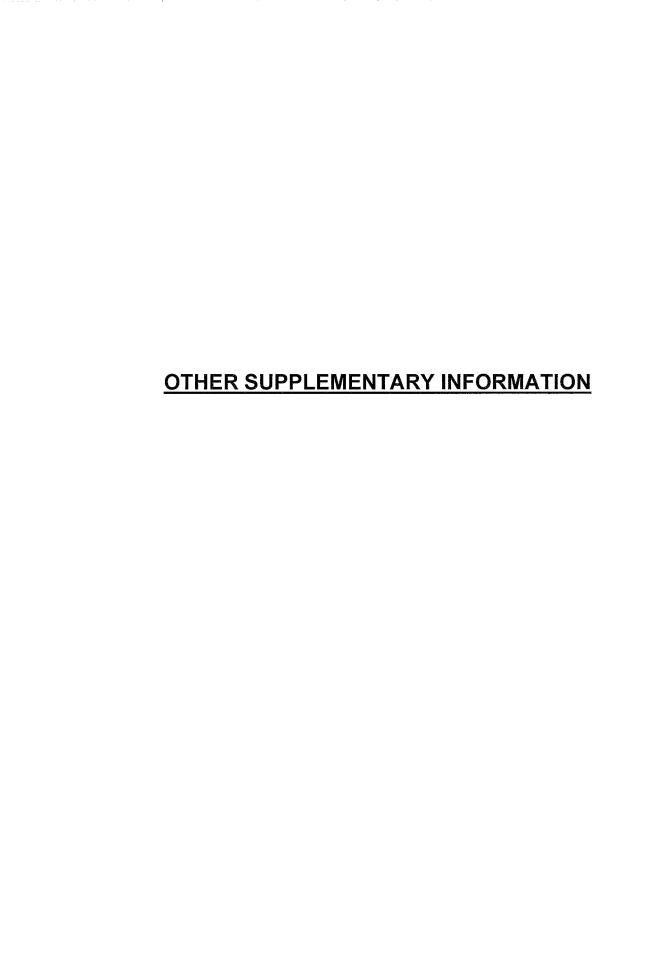
_	2019
Total OPEB Liability	
Service Cost \$	
Interest Cost	
Changes of Benefit Terms	
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experiences	
Changes of Assumptions	
Member Contributions	
Gross Benefit Payments	
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning	
Total OPEB Liability - Ending \$	
Covered-Employee Payroll \$	
Total OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	
Notes to Schedule:	

Changes of Benefit Terms: None

Differences Between Expected and Actual Experiences: The decrease in liability from June 30, 2017 to June 30, 2018 is due to changes in the census, claims and premiums experience. The decrease in liability from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2019 is due to changes in the census, claims and premiums experience.

Changes in Assumptions: 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. The decrease in the liability from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2019 is due to the combined effect of the decrease in the assumed discount rate from 3.87% as of June 30, 2018 to 3.50% as of June 30, 2019; and changes in the trend, excise tax, updated decrements, future spouse election, PPO/HMO future retiree elections, salary scale and mortality assumptions.

Note: This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will only include information for those years for which information is available.



# **SPECIAL REVENUE FUND** The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - BUDGETARY BASIS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

NCLB

	•				-					
	7	Title I Part	Α.	Title II	_	IDEA		Cares	_	Totals
		2019-20		2019-20		Part B		Act		2020
REVENUES:										
Federal Sources State Sources Other	\$	10,000	\$	2,918	\$	10,551	\$	2,232	\$	25,701
Total Revenues		10,000		2,918		10,551		2,232		25,701
EXPENDITURES: Instruction:	•									
Salaries Personal Services Supplies and Materials	\$	10,000	\$		\$		\$	2,232	\$	10,000 2,232
Total Instruction		10,000						2,232		12,232
Support Services: Purchased Prof. & Technical Services	;			2,918		10,551				13,469
Total Support Services				2,918	_	10,551				13,469
Facilities Acquisitions & Const Serv: Instructional Equipment Non-Instructional Equipment										
Total Facilities Acquisition & Construction Services	•				- <b>-</b>		- <b>-</b>		_	
Total Expenditures	\$	10,000	\$	2,918	\$	10,551	 \$ = =	2,232	\$	25,701

# PROPRIETARY FUND 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 district's board is that the costs of providing goods or services be financed through user charges. Food Services Fund – This fund provides for the operation of food services in all Schools. THIS SECTION HAS ALREADY BEEN INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS B-4, B-5 AND B-6.

#### **EXHIBIT G-1**

# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES ENTERPRISE FUND COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019

	-	Totals 2020
ASSETS:		
Current Assets: Cash Accounts Receivable:	\$	2,227
State Federal		1 133
Total Current Assets:		2,361
Total Assets	\$	2,361
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION:	_	
Intergovernmental Accounts Payable Interfund Payable - General Fund	\$	1,530 831
Total Liabilities	_	2,361
Net Position: Unreserved Retained Earnings		
Total Net Position	_	
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$_	2,361

#### **EXHIBIT G-2**

# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES ENTERPRISE FUND COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Totals
OPERATING REVENUES:	
Local Sources: Daily Sales - Reimbursable Programs	3,802
Total Operating Revenue	3,802
OPERATING EXPENSES: Salaries Satellite Food Service Operation Cost Supplies and Materials Other Costs	9,624 7,742 1,541 35
Total Operating Expenses	18,942
Operating Loss	(15,140)
Non-Operating Revenues: State Sources: State School Lunch Program Federal Sources: School Breakfast Program National School Lunch Program Board Subsidy	129 1,389 4,828 8,794
Total Non-Operating Revenues	15,140
Net Income before Operating Transfers  Net Position - July 1	
Net Position - June 30	

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES ENTERPRISE FUND COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH FLOWS AS OF JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019

	_	Totals 2020
Cash Flows from Operating Activities: Receipts from Customers Payments to Employees Payments for Employee Benefits Payments to Suppliers	\$	3,802 (9,624) (7,091)
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities		(12,913)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities Board Subsidy Food Distribution Program Cash Received from State and Federal Reimbursements		8,794 6,346
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	_	15,140
Net Cash Used by Capital Financing Activities Purchase of Fixed Assets		
Net Cash Used by Capital Financing Activities		
Cash Flows from Investing Activities: Interest Income		
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash		2,227
Cash and Cash Equivalents, July 1)		
Cash and Cash Equivalents, June 30	\$ 	2,227
Operating Income (Loss) Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Cash Used by Operating Activities: Depreciation Change in Assets and Liabilities:	\$	(15,140)
(Increase)/Decrease in Accounts Receivable Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable Increase/(Decrease) in Interfund Payable Increase/(Decrease) in Unearned Revenue		(134) 1,530 831
Total Adjustments		2,227
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	\$	(12,913)

## FIDUCIARY FUNDS

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

Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the school district 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 the payroll transactions of the school.

## **EXHIBIT H-1**

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2020

		Jnemploymen						
	•	Compensation _		A(				
		Expendable		Student			_	Total
		Trust		Activity		Payroll	_	2020
ASSETS:								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	1	\$	369	\$	585	\$	955
Total Assets	\$	1	\$	369	\$ _	585	\$_ 	955
LIABILITIES:								
Accounts Payable	\$		\$		\$		\$	
Due to General Fund	1	1	•	1	•	496	•	498
Due to Student Groups				368				368
Payroll Deductions and Withholding			_			89		89
Total Liabilities		1		369		585		955
NET POSITION:								
Unreserved for Unemployment Claims	3							
Total Liabilities and								
Net Position	\$	1	\$ = =	369	\$_	585	\$	955

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Expendable Trust Unemployment Funds 2020
OPERATING REVENUES:	
Contributions	\$
Total Revenues	
OPERATING EXPENSES:	
Unemployment Claims	
Total Expenses	
NONOPERATING REVENUES:	
Interest	
Total Non-operating Revenues	
Change in Net Position	
Net Position Beginning of Year	
Net Position End of Year	\$

#### **EXHIBIT H-3**

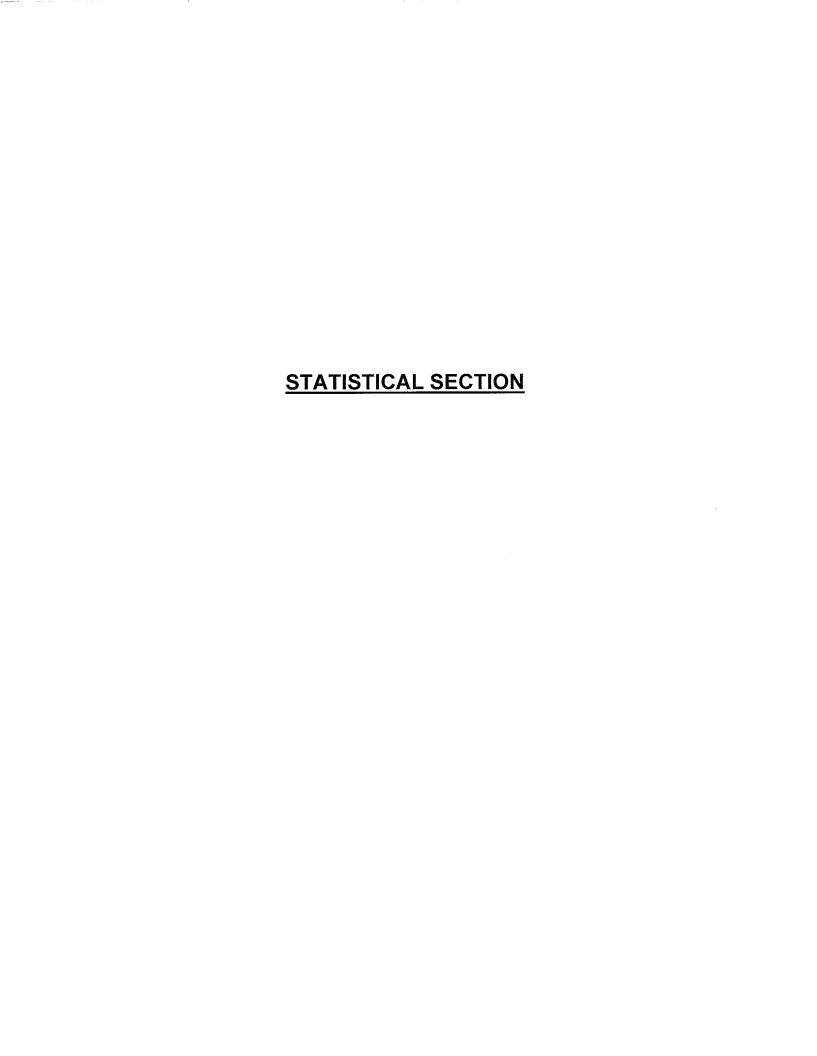
# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITY AGENCY FUND SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	_	Balance July 1, 2019	 Cash Receipts	D	Cash Disbursements	Accounts Payable June 30, 2020	 Balance June 30, 2020
Student Activity Fund	\$		\$ 418	\$	50 \$		\$ 368

## **EXHIBIT H-4**

# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL PAYROLL AGENCY FUND SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Balance July 1, 2019		Additions		Deletions		Balance June 30, 2020
ASSETS:							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	\$	715,326	\$	714,741	\$	585
	\$	\$ _	715,326	- - - -	714,741	\$ _	585
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:							
Due to General Fund Payroll Deductions and	\$	\$	496	\$		\$	496
Withholdings		_	714,830	_	714,741	_	89
Total Liabilities and Reserves	\$	\$_	715,326	\$	714,741	\$_	585



## **EXHIBIT J-1**

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL NET POSITION BY COMPONENT LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(Accrual Basis of Accounting)
(UNAUDITED)

	 2020
Governmental Activities	
Invested in Capital Assets, net of related debt Restricted: Other Purpose	\$
Unrestricted (Deficit)	 72,598
Total Governmental Activities Net Position	\$ 72,598
Business-Type Activities	
Invested in Capital Assets, net of related debt Unrestricted	\$
Total Business-Type Activities Net Position	\$
District-Wide	
Invested in Capital Assets, net of related debt Restricted: Other Purpose	\$
Unrestricted (Deficit)	72,598
Total District-Wide Net Position	\$ 72,598

Source: CAFR Schedule A-1

# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL CHANGES IN NET POSITION LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS (Accrual Basis of Accounting) (UNAUDITED)

	_	2020
Expenses Governmental activities Instruction		
Regular Support Services	\$	515,583
School Administrative Services		189,373
General Administrative Services Rental of Land and Buildings		172,612
Plant Operations and Maintenance		180,057
Employee Benefits Unallocated Depreciation and Amortization		178,727
Total Governmental Activities Expenses	-	1,236,352
Business-Type Activities Food Service	_	18,942
Total Business-Type Activities Expense	_	18,942
Total District Expenses	\$_	1,255,294
Program Revenues	_	
Governmental Activities Charges for Services	\$	
Operating Grants and Contributions	_	23,469
Total Governmental Activities Program Revenues	_	23,469
Business-Type Activities Charges for Services		
Food Service		3,802
Operating Grants and Contributions	_	6,346
Total Business-Type Activities Program Revenues	_	10,148
Total District Program Revenues	\$_	33,617
Net (Expense)/Revenue Governmental Activities	\$	(1,212,883)
Business-Type Activities	φ	(8,794)
Total District-Wide Net Expense	\$_	(1,221,677)
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position		
Governmental Activities Property Taxes Levied for General Purposes, net	\$	664,617
Unrestricted Grants and Contributions		629,658
Miscellaneous Income Transfers		(8,794)
Total Governmental Activities	-	1,285,481
Business-Type Activities	_	·
Miscellaneous Income Transfer		8,794
Total Business-Type Activities	-	8,794
Total District-Wide	\$	1,294,275
Change in Net Position	-	
Governmental Activities Business-Type Activities	\$	72,598
Total District-Wide	\$_	72,598

Source: CAFR Schedule A-2

#### **EXHIBIT J-3**

### CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting)
(UNAUDITED)

		2020
General Fund		
Restricted	\$	
Escrow Account		-
Assigned		
Year-end Encumbrances		
Designated for Subsequent Year's		
Expenditure		
Unassigned		72,598
Total General Fund	\$	72,598
	_	
All Other Governmental Funds		
Restricted	\$	
Capital Reserve		
Escrow Account		
Unassigned		
Year-end Encumbrances		
Total All Other Governmental Funds	 \$	
Total All Other Governmental Fullds	Φ_	

Source: CAFR Schedule B-1

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(UNAUDITED)

	 2020
Revenues Tax Levy Miscellaneous State Sources Federal Sources	\$ 664,617 629,658 23,469
Total Revenues	1,317,744
Expenditures Instruction Regular Instruction Support Services General Administrative Services School Administrative Services Plant Operations and Maintenance Unallocated Employee Benefits Capital Outlay Debt Service Principal	 515,583 189,373 172,612 180,057 178,727
Total Expenditures	 1,236,352
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	81,392
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers	 (8,794)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(8,794)
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ 72,598
Debt Service as a Percentage of Noncapital Expenditures	 0.0%

Source: CAFR Schedule B-2

## **EXHIBIT J-5**

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL GENERAL FUND OTHER LOCAL REVENUE BY SOURCE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(UNAUDITED)

Fiscal Year Ended				
June 30,	 Misc.		 Total	
2020	\$	_	\$	_

Source: District Records

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC STATISTICS\*\* LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(UNAUDITED)

				Personal		
				Income (thousands	Per Capita Personal	Unemployment
Year		Population <sup>a</sup>	_	of dollars) b	 Income c	Rate d
2020	*	1,308	\$	63,749,932	\$ 48,738	3.5%

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate

#### Source:

<sup>\*\*</sup> The above demographics reflect the Borough of Elmer population and unemployment rate. The per capita persona income reflects the county of Salem.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Population information provided by the NJ Dept of Labor and Workforce Development

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Personal income

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Per Capita

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> Unemployment data provided by the NJ Dept of Labor and Workforce Development

## **EXHIBIT J-16**

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT DISTRICT EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(UNAUDITED)

	2020
Function/Program	
Instruction	
Regular	6
Special education	3
Other special education	
Vocational	
Other instruction	1
Support Services:	
Tuition	
Student & instruction related services	5
General administrative services	
School administrative services	1
Business administrative services	4
Plant operations and maintenance	2
Pupil transportation	
Food Service	1
Total	23

**Source:** District Personnel Records

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL OPERATING STATISTICS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(UNAUDITED)

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) °	Average Daily Attendance (ADA) <sup>c</sup>	% Change in Average Daily Enrollment	Student Attendance Percentage
2020	93	\$ 1,236,352	13,294	NA	16	6:1	92.97	89.32	NA	96.07%

Sources: District records, ASSA and Schedules J-12, J-14

Note: Enrollment based on annual October district count.

- a Operating expenditures equal total expenditures less debt service and capital outlay; Schedule J-4
- b Teaching staff includes only full-time equivalents of certificated staff.
- c Average daily enrollment and average daily attendance are obtained from the School Register Summary (SRS).

#### **EXHIBIT J-18**

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL SCHOOL BUILDING INFORMATION LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS (UNAUDITED)

2020	

#### **District Building**

#### Middle School

Building Name Art Center
Square Feet 5,733 square feet

Capacity (students) 60 (five classrooms)

Enrollment 93

Building Name Hill Building
Square Feet 4,200 square feet
Capacity (students) 60 (five classrooms)

Enrollment

Building Name Coop Building
Square Feet 4,200 square feet
Capacity (students) 60 (five classrooms)

Enrollment

Building Name Dining Hall Square Feet 6,386 square feet

Capacity (students) 250

**Enrollment** 

#### Other

Admistrative Building Located in Art Building

Number of Schools at JUNE 30, 2020

Elementary =
Middle School = 1
High School =
Other =

Source: District records, ASSA

Note: Increases in square footage and capacity are the result of additions.

Enrollment is based on the annual October district count.

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL INSURANCE SCHEDULE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 (UNAUDITED)

Not Available

# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL CHARTER SCHOOL PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE - FISCAL RATIOS JUNE 30, 2020

(UNAUDITED)

		2020		Source
Cash	\$	29,927		Audit: Exhibit A-1
Current Assets		250,810		Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total Assets		250,810		Audit: Exhibit A-1
Current Liabilities		178,212		Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total Liabilities		178,212		Audit: Exhibit A-1
Net Position	\$ 	72,598		Audit: Exhibit A-1
Fotal Revenue		1,327,892		Audit: Exhibit A-2
otal Expenses		1,255,294		Audit: Exhibit A-2
Change in Net Position	\$ <u></u>	72,598		Audit: Exhibit A-2
Depreciation Expense		-		Financial Statements/ Audit Workpapers
nterest Expense		2,813		Financial Statements/ Audit Workpapers
Principal Payments		120,000		Financial Statements/ Audit Workpapers
nterest Payments		2,813		Financial Statements/ Audit Workpapers
Final Average Daily Enrollment		93		DOE Enrollment Reports
March 30th Budgeted Enrollment		95		Charter School Budget
			3 Year	
		2020	Cumulative	Source

		3 Year	
	2020	Cumulative	Source
Near Term Indicators			
Current Ratio	1.41	N/A	Current Assets/ Current Liabilities
Unrestricted Days Cash	8.70	N/A	Cash/ (Total Expenses/365)
Enrollment Variance	98%	N/A	Average Daily Enrollment / Budgeted Enrollment
Default	N/A	N/A	Audit
Sustainability Indicators			
Total Margin	5.47%	N/A	Change in Net Position/ Total Revenue
Debt to Asset	0.71	N/A	Total Liabilities/ Total Assets
Cash Flow	N/A	N/A	Net change in cash flow from prior years
			(Change in Net Position+Interest
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	0.61	N/A	Expense+Depreciation+Noncash Pension Expense)
			(Principal & Interest Payments)



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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

To the Members of The Board of Trustees Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. County of Salem 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Board of Trustees of the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. School District, in the County of Salem, State of New Jersey, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board of Trustees of the Creative Collaboratory Charter School, Inc. School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 30, 2020.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. Board of Trustees' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. Board of Trustees' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. Board of Trustees' internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

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

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. Board of Trustees' financial statements are free of 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 financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance, or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey.

#### Purpose of this Report

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

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. Board of Trustees, the New Jersey State Department of Education and other state and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Respectfully submitted,

NIGHTLINGER, COLAVITA&VOLPA, PA

Raymond Colavita, CPA

Licensed Public School Accountant

No. 915

December 30, 2020

### CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (SCHEDULE A) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Federal	Federal	Grant or	Program or		Balance at June 30, 2019		Budgetary Expenditures	Total Budgetary Budgetary	Balance	at JUNE 30	, 2020
Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor Grantor/ Program Title	CFDA Number	FAIN Number	State Project Number	Award Amount	Grant Period From To	(Accounts Unearned Due to Receivable) Revenue Grantor	Cash Received	Pass Through Funds	Expenditures Expenditures Direct (A)	(Accounts Receivable)	Unearned Revenue	Due to Grantor
U.S. Department of Agriculture Passed-through State Department of Edi Enterprise Fund:	ucation:											
Child Nutrition Cluster: Cash Assistance: National School Breakfast Program National School Lunch Program	10.553 10.555	201NJ304N1099 201NJ304N1099	N/A N/A	\$1,389 4,828	7/1/19 to 6/30/20 7/1/19 to 6/30/20		\$1,343 4,741	(\$1,389) (4,828)	(\$1,389) (4,828)	(\$46) (87)		
Total Enterprise Fund:							6,084	(6,217)	(6,217)	(133)		
U.S. Department of Education Passed-through State Department of Ed Special Revenue Fund:	ucation:											
E.S.E.A. Title I, Part A Title II - A IDEA Cluster:	84.010A 84.367A	S010A180030 S367A180029	ESEA 6215-20 ESEA 6215-20	13,994 2,918	7/1/19 to 6/30/20 7/1/19 to 6/30/20			(10,000) (2,918)	(10,000) (2,918)	(10,000) (2,918)		
IDEA Part B-Basic	84.027	H027A180100	IDEA 6215-20	10,551	7/1/19 to 6/30/20			(10,551)	(10,551)	(10,551)		
CARES Emergency Relief Grant CARES ACT 2020 ESSER	84.425D	S425D200027	S425D200027	11,143	3/13/20 to 10/15/22			(2,232)	(2,232)	(2,232)		
								(25,701)	(25,701)	(25,701)		
Total Federal Financial Awards						\$	\$ 6,084	\$ (31,918)	\$ (31,918)	\$ (25,834)	\$	\$

<sup>(</sup>A) There were no awards passed through to subreciepents.

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

These funds were audited in accordance with the Uniform Guidance since the total of all grant expenditures exceeded \$750,000.

### CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (SCHEDULE B) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

				Balance a	nt June 30, 2019						Balance at Ju	ne 30, 202	:0	
State Grantor/Program Title	Grant or State Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period From To	Unearned Revenue (Accounts Receivable)	Due to Local Government		Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Repayment of Prior Years' Balances and Adjustments	(Accounts From Districts	Receivable) From State	Unearned Revenue Interfund Payable	İ	Due to Local overnment
State Department of Education														
General Fund: Equalization Aid Special Education Categorical Aid Security Aid Relmbursed TPAF S.S. Contributions	20-495-034-5120-078 20-495-034-5120-089 20-495-034-5120-084 20-495-034-5094-003	\$ 537,418 68,490 13,093 10,657	7/1/19 to 6/30/20 7/1/19 to 6/30/20 7/1/19 to 6/30/20 7/1/19 to 6/30/20	\$	\$	\$	465,262 51,650 11,971	\$ (537,418) \$ (68,490) (13,093) (10,657)	\$	(88,395) \$ (18,592) (1,596)	(10,657)	\$	\$	16,239 1,752 474
Total General Fund			:	\$	\$	\$	528,883	\$ (629,658)	\$	(108,583)	(10,657)	\$	\$	18,465
State Department of Agriculture							,		,					
Enterprise Fund - State Share: State School Lunch Program	20-100-010-3350-023	129	7/1/19 to 6/30/20				128	(129)		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(1)			
							128	(129)			(1)			
Total State Financial Assistance			:	\$	\$	\$_	529,011	\$ (629,787)	\$	(108,583)	(10,658)	\$	\$	18,465

Total For State Financial Assistance - Major Program Determination

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

# CREATIVIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF AWARDS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE JUNE 30, 2020

**NOTE 1: GENERAL** 

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of awards and financial assistance present the activity of all federal and state award programs of the Board of Trustees, Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, Inc. 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 are included on the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance.

#### **NOTE 2: BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are presented using 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 2 to the Board's basic financial statements. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of 2 CFR 200- Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, and New Jersey OMB 15-08. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements. The Charter School has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under Uniform Guidance.

#### NOTE 3: RELATIONSHIP TO GENERAL PURPOSE 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 expenditures have been made.

The general fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on a 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 state aid June payments in the current budget year, consistent with N.J.S.A. 18A:22-4.2.

#### **EXHIBIT K-5**

# CREATIVIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF AWARDS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE JUNE 30, 2020

The net adjustment to reconcile from the budgetary basis to the GAAP basis is zero for the special revenue fund. See Note 2 for a reconciliation of the budgetary basis to the Modified Accrual basis of accounting for the general and special revenue fund. Awards and financial assistance revenues are reported in the Board's basic financial statements on a GAAP basis as follows:

	 Federal	State	_	Total
General Fund	\$	629,658	\$	629,658
Special Revenue Fund	23,469			23,469
Food Service Fund	 6,217	129		6,346
Total Awards & Financial Assistance	\$ 29,686 \$	629,787	\$	659,473

#### NOTE 4: RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

#### NOTE 5: FEDERAL AND STATE LOANS OUTSTANDING

Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School had no outstanding loans at June 30, 2020.

#### NOTE 6: OTHER

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 represents the amount paid by the state on behalf of the Charter School for the year ended June 30, 2020. TPAF Social Security Contributions represent the amount reimbursed by the state for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members for the year ended June 30, 2020.

#### NOTE 7: SCHOOL-WIDE PROGRAM FUNDS

The District's Federal Programs are maintained on a school-wide basis.

#### **NOTE 8: MAJOR PROGRAMS**

There were no Major programs identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results Section of the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Cost.

### **EXHIBIT K-5**

# CREATIVIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF AWARDS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE JUNE 30, 2020

**NOTE 9: ADJUSTMENTS** 

There no adjustments reported on Schedule A or Schedule B for the 2019-20 School Year.

## CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

### Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

### **Financial Statements**

Type of auditor's repo	ort issued:		Unmodified			
Internal control over fi	inancial reporting:					
1) Material weakne	ess (es) identified	?	0	yes	X	no
Significant defice reported	iencies identified?			yes	X	no
Noncompliance mater financial statements				yes	X	no
Federal Awards	N/A					
Internal control over n	najor programs:					
1) Material weakne	ess (es) identified	?	9	yes		_ no
2) Significant defic	ciencies identified	?		yes		_ no
Type of auditor's repo major programs:	ort issued on comp	oliance for	<u>N/A</u>			
Any audit findings dis reported in accorda .516(a)?		00 section	yes		no	
Identification	of major program	ns:				
CFDA N	umber(s)	FAIN Number(s)	Name of F	ederal Cluste	Program or er	
Dollar threshold used	to distinguish bet	ween type A and	I type B progra	ms:	N/A	
Auditee qualified as lo	ow-risk auditee?			\	/es	no

# CREATIVE COLLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 (continued)

### Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results (continued)

State Awards: N/A			
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A ar	nd type B programs:	<u>N/A</u>	
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	yes	-	no
Internal control over major programs:			
<ol> <li>Material weakness (es) identified?</li> <li>Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material</li> </ol>	yes		no
weaknesses?	yes		no
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major	or programs: <u>N/A</u>		
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with NJOMB  Circular Letter 15-08	yes	no	
Identification of major programs:			
GMIS Number(s)	Name of State Pro	gram	

# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 (continued)

### **Section II - Financial Statement Findings**

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weakness, fraud, noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, and abuse related to the financial statements for which Government Auditing Standards requires reporting and with audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey that requires reporting in the Uniform Guidance, New Jersey OMB Treasury Circular 15-08 audit.

Criteria or specific requirement:
Condition:
Context:
Effect:
Cause:
Recommendation:
Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions:

Finding:

None

# CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 (continued)

### Section III - Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs

This section identifies audit findings required to be reported by 2 CFR 200 section .516 of the *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* and NJOMB Circular Letter 15-08, as applicable.

#### FEDERAL AWARDS - N/A

Finding:

Information on the federal program:

Criteria or specific requirement:

Condition:

**Questioned Costs:** 

Context:

Effect:

Cause:

Recommendation:

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions:

#### STATE AWARDS - N/A

Finding:

Information on the state program:

Criteria or specific requirement:

Condition:

**Questioned Costs:** 

Context:

Effect:

Cause:

Recommendation:

Management's response:

### CREATIVITY COLABORATORY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS AS PREPARED BY MANAGEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

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 Chapter 6.12 of Government Auditing Standards, US OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards section .511(a)(b) and New Jersey OMB's Treasury Circular 15-08.

STATUS OF PRIOR - YEAR FINDINGS N/A- Initial Year Of Operations