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INTRODUCTORY SECTION



October 1, 2023

Honorable President and
Members of the Board of Trustees
Pride Academy Charter School
117 Elmwood Avenue
East Orange, New Jersey 07018

Dear Board Members:

The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of Pride Academy Charter School (Charter School) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, is hereby submitted. Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the management of the Board. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the data presented in this report is accurate in all material respects and is reported in a manner designed to present fairly the basic financial statements and results of operations of the various funds of the Charter School. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the Charter School's financial activities have been included.

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

- The Introductory Section contains a table of contents, Letter of Transmittal, List of Principal Officials, and an Organizational Chart of the Charter School;
- The Financial Section begins with the Independent Auditors' Report and includes the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Basic Financial Statements and Notes providing an overview of the Charter School's financial position and operating results, and other schedules providing detailed budgetary information;
- The Statistical Section includes selected economic and demographic information, financial trends, and the fiscal capacity of the Charter School, generally presented on a multi-year basis;
- The Single Audit Section — The Charter School is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the provisions of the Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and the audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey; New Jersey Circular 15-08 OMB. Information related to this single audit, including the independent auditor's report on the internal control and compliance with applicable laws, regulations, contracts and grants, along with findings and questioned costs, are included in the single audit section of this report.

CHARTER SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

An elected five to nine-member Board of Trustees serves as the governance and policy maker for the Charter School. The Board approves and adopts an annual budget and oversees all expenditures, which serve as the basis for control over and authorization for all expenditures of Charter School tax money.

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

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1) Reporting Entity and its Services:

Pride Academy Charter School opened in 2008 and currently in its fourteenth year of operation. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:36A-17 and N.J.A.C. 6A11-2.3(b) the New Jersey Department of Education completed its comprehensive review of the renewal application submitted on October 15, 2021. As a result, The New Jersey Department of Education has renewed the charter for the next five years 2022-2023 through 2026-2027 after evaluation which included but not limited to, the renewal application, annual reports, student performance on statewide assessments, a structured interview with school officials, public comments, student composition, and the fiscal impact on the sending district(s). As demonstrated in the Renewal Summary Report, Pride Academy Charter School met standard on all rated measures in the Fiscal Performance Framework and met standard on many indicators in the Organizational Performance Framework.

Pride Academy Charter School constitutes an independent reporting entity within the criteria adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). All funds and account groups of the entity are included in this report.

OUR MISSION

Pride Academy Charter School strongly believes that every member of the staff plays a vital role in creating a safe and supportive learning community where our children can develop and grow. All members of the Pride Academy Charter School team are dedicated to the following mission:

“Pride Academy Charter School endeavors to ignite success in middle school students of all abilities through a curriculum rooted in the values of peace, respect, integrity, determination, and empathy. By establishing a community dedicated to academic achievement, mastery of fundamental skills, positive leadership, and active service, Pride Academy Charter School strives to embolden its students to harness their own power to shape their futures and the world.”

OUR CORE BELIEFS

The foundation of Pride Academy Charter School is built upon the following core beliefs:

- Students of all abilities will thrive in a peaceful learning community that values respect, integrity, determination, and empathy for others.
- Within all students lies the power to shape their own future by making positive choices today.
- By serving individual academic needs through a cohesive skill-centered curriculum, untapped student potential will be realized.

- Through critical examination and active response to challenges facing our community, students are best able to comprehend the interconnectedness of life and the power of the individual.
- By deliberately honoring accomplishments while continuously setting new challenges, students gain the courage, confidence, and competencies needed to take academic and leadership risks.
- Adults teach students with their actions. All members of our school community--administration, faculty, and parents—must live and embody the values that the school seeks to instill in its students.
- A culture which prizes goal-setting, positive choices, and perseverance will equip students with the skills and mindset needed to seize future educational opportunities.
- By questioning, seeking, understanding, and responding, all members of our school community will be active participants in the lifelong learning cycle essential for growth.

In the power of the words quoted by Nelson Mandela: "...as we let our light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same."

THE PRIDE PHILOSOPHY

PRIDE Academy is characterized by a culture that is orderly, supportive and focused on academic achievement. Our school community emphasizes mutual care and respect. Our philosophy emphasizes a positive approach to teaching and managing discipline, in which the students are gradually led towards self-discipline. Students are expected to behave respectfully towards their teachers, classmates, school staff and property. Our committed staff will likewise address students with respect and compassion. Administrators and teachers will work together to promote student achievement and to ensure that the code of conduct is consistently followed, and enforced in a timely and fair manner.

Our teachers strive to create a sense of community within our classrooms. Our students are expected to come to school on time every day and be prepared to contribute positively to the school community. Our goal is to discourage misbehavior and teach students to make better choices in the future.

Lastly, PRIDE Academy is shaped by five guiding principles, or core values. The first of these core values is peace. Violence of any type has no place at PRIDE Academy. Students, parents, staff, and administration will work together to resolve conflicts constructively and peacefully.

THE PRIDE SCHOOL VISION

In order to develop a community of scholars and philanthropists who can excel among their peers from surrounding communities, we envision Pride Academy as a school that provides our students with a strong academic foundation, with skills to lead and the opportunities to be leaders, and with a profound understanding of their role in their communities and the world at large.

We envision Pride Academy as an integral part of the community we serve where the power of families and the collective efforts of all members of "our village" are unleashed in order to support our students as they become critical thinkers, life-long learners, and agents of change in their families, their communities, and our world.

Pride Academy will be a PLACE that ignites and fosters the following qualities in all members of our school community:

Philanthropy
Leadership
Academic Achievement
Cultural Awareness
Excellence

All members of our school community will:

Philanthropy: commit to the actions and ideals of service and social justice in our communities and our world.

Leadership: recognize their power as individuals to affect positive change.

Academic Achievement: apply the habits of questioning, seeking, understanding, and responding towards their personal growth as life-long learners, decision-makers, and problem solvers.

Cultural Awareness: explore and find value in their own cultural identity and the cultural identities of others.

Excellence: develop the knowledge, skills and resilience to achieve high expectations in their personal and professional lives.

CORE VALUES

The Pride philosophy is based upon five core values: peace, respect, integrity, determination, and empathy. All members of our school community are expected to live by these values. Students and their parents or guardians affirm their commitment to practice the core values by signing the PRIDE Academy Charter School Parent Compact.

The five core values are characterized as follows:

Peace: Conflicts will be resolved in non-violent ways. Students and adults will work together to create a calm, safe environment by learning and teaching how to resolve and avoid conflicts in non-violent, non-confrontational ways.

Respect: All members of the school community will treat each other with respect. We treat each person as valuable, worthy of greatness and goodness. We accept individuals for who they are. We demonstrate high regard for others, for property, for differences, and for opinions different from our own. We respect the rights of our teachers to teach and of our classmates to learn.

Integrity: Honesty will be at the core of all that we say and do. We follow through on our obligations and commitments. We do not do things halfway.

Determination: We will not allow obstacles to block our pathways to excellence. We do our best in every area. We never give up.

Empathy: Compassion and understanding of each other's feelings will guide our choices and conduct. We will not hurt each other physically or emotionally. We are kind and supportive of one another.

We teach our students to take responsibility for their actions and to consider the impact of their actions on others. By doing so, we prepare our students to be successful in school, in our community, and in our world.

SCHOOL DESCRIPTION

School Name: Pride Academy Charter School

Startup and Current Year. Pride Academy Charter School commenced implementation in the 2008-2009 school year and has completed its 15th year of operation.

Address. The school is located at 117 Elwood Ave, East Orange, NJ 07018.

Facility. The school is located in a three-story building that formerly served as a Catholic School and was purchased from the Imani Baptist Church.

Number of Students, Grades and Classes. The school's original charter authorized a maximum enrollment of 240 students in grades 5-8. During our first Charter Renewal we requested and received approval for an increase in enrollment to a total of 264 students. We requested for and received approval for an additional increase to 288 students for the 2015-2016 school year. On February 3, 2020, the New Jersey Department of Education granted the amendment request to increase enrollment from 288 students to 300 students beginning in 2020-2021. At the end of the year, the enrollment was 299 students. There are three classes totaling 75 students in each of grades 5, 6, 7, and 8.

Class Size. Class size is 25 students per class.

School Day: The school day begins at 8:00 am and ends at 3:20 pm. for a total of 7.5 hours.

School Year: School began September 6th for all students and ended June 21st for a total of 188 school days.

District of Residence. The school draws its students from the following districts: Newark, East Orange, and Orange.

Waiting List: Waiting List: for 2023-2024 by grade level Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:11-4.6(a)2 as of July 2023 was 5th Grade: 3, 6th Grade: 48, 7th Grade: 20 and 8th Grade: 8. Waitlist within the district/region of residence was 71 and Waitlist of non-resident/region of residence was 8;

Student/Teacher Ratio: 10:1

Employees. The school employs 1 Principal, 2 Vice Principals, 1 School Business Administrator, 1 Dean of Students, 1 Dean of Academics, 1 Coordinator of High School Placement, 22 content teachers, 5 Special Education teachers, 1 Physical Education teacher, 1 Spanish teacher, 1 Computer teacher, 1 Dance teacher, 1 Nurse, and 2 Social Workers. In addition, the school employs the services of 1 School Secretary, 1 Main Office Coordinator, 1 Business Office Manager and 2 Custodians. On a contract time basis, the school employs a learning consultant, a school psychologist, a speech therapist, and an occupational therapist.

Lead Person. The school's lead person is Mrs. Fiona Thomas (Tel. 973-627-3200), (Fax 973-672-3207), (email fthomas@prideacs.org).

Board Members. The school's organizational documents provide for up to 9 Board of Trustee members.

Defining Attributes. The defining attributes reference the mission with its focus on academic achievement and mastery of fundamental skills, positive leadership, and active service.

Summary of Accomplishments: Board of Trustees

The three main strengths of the board identified in the last board self-evaluation include board compliance with the mission and vision, performance with regards to fiscal oversight, and operations with regards to academic support. The Board of Trustees continues to exhibit overall strength in governance, ethics and encouragement. The Board implemented a regular review of all current policies as well as new policy trends to ensure that ongoing discussion and action necessary for success is ongoing. The Board of Trustee members meet monthly during the year to ensure successful operations and are very productive and efficient in operating through bylaws and collaborative decision-making to ensure the safety and welfare of the students, faculty and families. Good communication is at the heart of the Board's relationship with its Administrators. The Board is a diverse set of individuals with strength in experience and vision. The Board President and the School Leader always maintain a strong relationship with clear expectations for meeting the school's mission and vision.

Summary of Accomplishments: School Administration

During the 2022-2023 school year, the Administrative team continued to lead the growth and strengthening of our 15th year of operation. Some highlights in accomplishments include the following:

- The continued strong leadership of our School Business Administrator and combined efforts, skills, and capacity of business office personnel have sustained an efficient and professional management of critical policies and procedures, Federal grants such as ESSA, IDEA, and ESSER I and II, savings in many areas, continued stabilization in enrollment, as well as detailed oversight and management of the school budget, facility issues, and human resources;
- Development and approval of state mandated plans including the Professional Development Plan, the Mentoring Plan, the Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials, the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Plan, and Comprehensive Equity Plan;

- Continued a new school wide interim benchmark assessment program, LinkIt to support and strengthen our data driven instructional school wide process;
- Provided professional development to support our co-teaching model, cultural competency training, and the use and analysis of data to drive informed and differentiated instruction and learning;
- Continued parent involvement opportunities and increased the number of parents who participated in a range of school activities throughout the course of the year in such virtual events as: Parent Parties; participation in school leadership and planning meetings including School Safety Team meetings and Special Education meetings; Teacher-Parent Conference Nights; High School Night; and workshops related to parent well-being, testing and other protocols to support health and safety within our school community.
- Planned and executed a successful, community building Gala to celebrate our 15 years of operation, which created an opportunity to bring our school and wider community partners and supporters together to express appreciation for their work and dedication and celebrate our achievements.

Charter School Organization

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Local Academic Results for 2022-2023

The following information about our 2022-2023 assessment results is excerpted from our Annual Report 2022-2023.

Table 4: Proficiency Rates on Local Assessments (% of Students) —Fall Diagnostic Assessment 2022

Assessment	Below (%)	On (%)	Above (%)
ELA 5	74%	25%	1%
ELA 6	75%	24%	1%
ELA 7	73%	21%	6%
ELA 8	62%	33%	5%
MAT 5	75%	25%	0%
MAT 6	97%	3%	0%
MAT 7	77%	18%	5%
MAT 8	100%	0%	0%
Algebra I	70%	30%	0%

Table 4b: Proficiency Rates on Local Assessments (% of Students) —End of Year Summative Assessment 2023

Assessment	Below (%)	On (%)	Above (%)
ELA 5	65%	34%	1%
ELA 6	67%	33%	0%
ELA 7	62%	26%	12%
ELA 8	30%	66%	4%
MAT 5	64%	33%	3%
MAT 6	77%	22%	1%
MAT 7	61%	25%	14%
MAT 8	96%	4%	0%
Algebra I	21%	37%	42%

c) Identify the type of assessments used for interim assessment data:

Assessment Type (interim assessment)	✓ or X
Solely charter created	X
Vendor and charter created	✓
Combination of solely charter and vendor and charter created	X

d) Identify the type of assessments used for end of year assessment results:

Assessment Type (end of year)	✓ or X
Solely charter created	X
Vendor and charter created	✓
Combination of solely charter and vendor and charter created	X

Table 5: Proficiency Rates on NJSLA Assessments

NJSLA Assessment	2021-2022	2022-2023
	Percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations	Percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations
ELA 5	26.7%	52%
ELA 6	38.7%	35%

NJSLA Assessment	2021-2022	2022-2023
	Percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations	Percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations
ELA 7	62.7%	68%
ELA 8	56%	64%
MAT 5	10.7%	36%
MAT 6	22.7%	29%
MAT 7	45.3%	39%
MAT 8	1.8%	17%
Algebra I	44.4%	80%

e) Explain what steps the school has taken, or plans to take, to ensure progress in both subjects by grade level and by subgroup (i.e., students eligible for free and reduced-price lunch, English language learners, students with disabilities, and racial/ethnic groups).

To maximize the amount of instructional time and minimize the amount of time students spend testing, the department chairs, in consultation with the teachers, decided to align all SGO goals with the Interim Assessment results. Other measures taken to ensure teachers were equipped with the student data needed to plan and support all learners:

- Testing dates set in the calendar at the start of the year
- Department and data analysis meetings with a focus on dissemination of student data were set in the week immediately following the whole-school testing dates.
- All student data is accessible by all stakeholders, including students, parents, teachers, and the administration.
- The use of the LinkIt Benchmark Assessments allows teachers to access accurate and in-the-moment data broken down into standards. LinkIt also provides a scale based on hundreds of thousands of student tests; if a student scores x on the benchmark assessment, she or he will more than likely score y on the NJSLA.
- Student data and grades were used to create extra support groups such as after-school tutoring lists and homework help.

f) For each subject and grade level, provide a list of the diagnostic, formative, and summative assessments that were administered during the 2022-2023 year.

ELA teachers used the following kinds of assessments:

- I-Ready on all grade levels. I-Ready provides a diagnostic assessment with differentiated lessons based on what students score.
- LinkIt Benchmark Assessments as Interim Assessments at the beginning, middle, and end of the school year.
- LinkIt Standard Assessments, which are smaller assessments designed by selecting the standard(s) students should be measured on.
- Actively Learn and teacher-created assessments to measure students' formative and summative progress periodically.

Math teachers used the following kinds of assessments:

- MobyMax on all grade levels. MobyMax provides a diagnostic assessment with differentiated lessons based on what students score.
- 5th-grade math teachers used Zearn, which allows teachers to target specific standards on or below grade level.
- LinkIt Benchmark Assessments as Interim Assessment at the beginning, middle, and end of the school year.
- LinkIt Standard Assessments, which are smaller assessments designed by selecting the standard(s) students should be measured on.
- Teacher-created assessments to periodically measure students' formative and summative progress.

g) Describe how results from the assessments listed above were used to improve instructional effectiveness and student learning.

There were three Interim Assessments windows at Pride; one in September, one in December, and one in April. The following steps were taken school-wide to utilize the student data from both Start Strong and the recurring Interim Assessments:

- After each Interim Assessment, the data for each subject was shared school-wide. Each department had assigned meetings where they supported each other in finding ways to respond to the student data.
- All Interim Assessment data (and goals) were displayed in each classroom. The students knew their individual goal and were self-monitoring their progress towards their goal, just as each class was tracking their big group goal.
- Specific re-teach windows were assigned where teachers spiraled back to standards already taught but where students had not scored as well as anticipated.
- All department meetings had an agenda item addressing curriculum, revisions of unit maps, as well as overall standard mastery.
- Assessment data was used as a discussion point in walk-throughs or formal observations
- Students self-monitor their progress, reflecting on what worked and what did not and what new steps to make.
- Start Strong Data and Interim Assessment data were all uploaded to LinkIt, a data warehouse, which allowed all teachers to access all student assessment data across all subject areas.
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h) Describe the school's process for selecting the locally administered assessments. Explain how they align to NJSL and the school's chosen curricula.

Pride Academy has been working with LinkIt since the 2019-2020 school year. As the 19/20 and the 20/21 school years did not have state assessments, Pride deemed it unnecessary to change vendors at that point as LinkIt provided teachers with macro data predictions on where each individual student might score at the end of the year.

LinkIt Benchmark assessments are tested at many school districts in New Jersey, and the assessments emulate the NJSLA assessment given at the end of the year. Based on the 10+ years of student data collected across New Jersey, LinkIt can give Pride Academy teachers a fairly accurate estimate of how well students will score overall on the NJSLA assessment as well as how they will score on individual standards. Our curricula in ELA and Math are aligned to NJSL standards and learning targets.

i) Compare student results on locally administered assessment with student results on statewide assessments (NJSL). Explain any notable disparities.

The LinkIt assessment divides student data into 6 categories: Exceeding, Meeting, Bubble, Approaching, Partial, and Not Meeting. Each category indicates where students would potentially fall at the EOY NJSLA. Additionally, LinkIt also provides a percentage of students within each category that are predicted to pass the NJSLA at the end of the year. For instance, the “Exceeding” category has a 99% passing rate, whereas the “Approaching” category has a 40% passing rate.

Comparing these numbers to the 21/22 LinkIt and NJSLA data, we have found the following trends:

- Overall, the LinkIt assessment is very accurate in predicting which students will pass the NJSLA. All students that received the “Meeting” proficiency on either ELA or Math LinkIt final Interim Assessments achieved a level 4 or higher on their 2022 NJLSA score.
- Pride students tend to outperform their LinkIt scores. For instance, the passing rate for a “Partially meeting” student should be 15%, whereas in 5th and 7th grade ELA at Pride, the number was closer to 40%.
- Certain anomalies are challenging for any benchmark assessment to measure, such as two-part questions and extended constructed responses on the math assessment; these are best-created in-district and will affect the final NJSLA results.

j) Describe how the school disseminated or otherwise made assessment results accessible to stakeholders (i.e., parents, students, board members, administration).

- All assessment data and analysis-related deliverables were shared school-wide among all teachers the same week the assessment was completed.
- All assessment data was uploaded to LinkIt, a data warehouse, which allows all teachers to access all student assessment data across all subjects.
- Parent nights were hosted throughout the year during which student assessment results, upcoming student assessment dates, as well as action steps parents could take to support their child daily were shared and modeled.
- Student data was shared during board meetings, allowing all stakeholders to have a trajectory of the end-of-the-year results and an analysis of how the pandemic years have impacted students.

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

As a recipient of Federal and State financial assistance, the Charter School is also responsible for ensuring that an adequate internal control structure is in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to those programs. This internal control structure is 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 the internal control structure, including that portion related to Federal and State financial assistance programs, as well as to determine that the Charter School has complied with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grants.

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

An encumbrance accounting system is used to record outstanding purchase commitments on a line item basis. Open encumbrances at year-end are either 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, 2023.

4. **CASH MANAGEMENT:** The investment policy of the Charter School is guided in large part by state statute as detailed in “Notes to the Financial Statement” Note 2. The Charter School had adopted a cash management plan which requires it to deposit funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (“GUDPA”). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect Government Units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. The law requires governmental units to deposit public funds only in public depositories located in New Jersey, where the funds are secured in accordance with the Act.

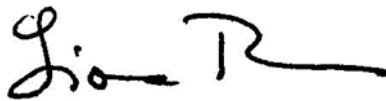
5. **RISK MANAGEMENT:** The Charter School carries various forms of insurance, including but not limited to general liability, automobile liability and comprehensive collision, hazard and theft insurance on property and contents.

6. **OTHER INFORMATION:**

Independent Audit - State statutes require an annual audit by independent certified public accountants or registered municipal accountants. The accounting firm of Meshinsky & Associates LLC, CPA’s, was appointed by the Board. In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in State statutes, the audit also was designed to meet the requirements of the Single Audit Act of 1984 and the Single Audit Act Amendment of 1996 and the related OMB Circular A-133, “Audits of State, Local Governments and Non-Profits Organizations” and New Jersey Circular Letter 04-04 OMB, “Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants, and State Aid.” The auditor’s report on the basic financial statements and specific required supplemental information is included in the financial section of this report. The auditors’ reports, related specifically to the single audit, are included in the single audit section of this report.

7. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:** We would like to express our appreciation to the members of the Pride Academy Charter School Board of Trustees for their concern in providing fiscal accountability to the citizens and taxpayers of the Charter School and thereby contributing their full support to the development and maintenance of our financial operation. The preparation of this report could not have been accomplished without the efficient and dedicated services of our staff.

Respectfully submitted,



Mrs. Fiona Thomas
School Principal

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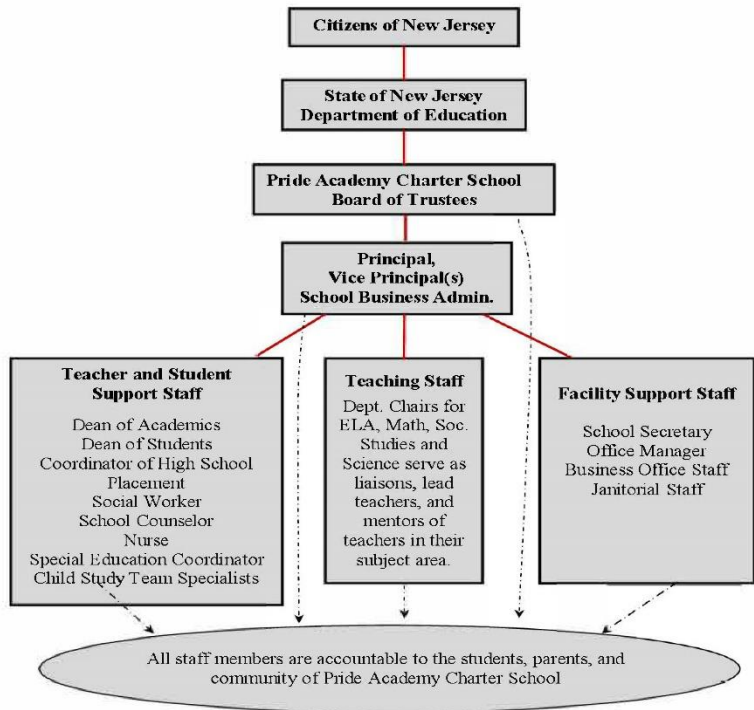
**ROSTER OF OFFICIALS
JUNE 30, 2023**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
Robert Mitchell, II	President	06/30/2026
Deirdre Taylor	Vice President	06/30/2026
Michael Moore Esq.	Member	06/30/2025
Ashley D. Taylor	Member	06/30/2025
Jacqueline Spence	Member	06/30/2024
Mylene Brown	Member	06/30/2027



Organizational Chart 2022-2023



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FINANCIAL SECTION



MESHINSKY &
ASSOCIATES LLC

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS,
CONSULTANTS & INDEPENDENT TRUSTEES

Independent Auditor's Report

Honorable President
Members of the Board of Trustees
Pride Academy Charter School
County of Essex
East Orange, New Jersey

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

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 Pride Academy Charter School in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, 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.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above, present fairly in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Pride Academy Charter School in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey as of June 30, 2023 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.

Basis for Opinions

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Pride Academy Charter School and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management 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, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Pride Academy Charter School's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Pride Academy Charter School's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Pride Academy Charter School's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, the schedules related to accounting and reporting for pensions and the schedules related to accounting and reporting for postemployment benefits other than pensions, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise of Pride Academy Charter School's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the introductory and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated January 10, 2024 on our consideration of Pride Academy Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely 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 Pride Academy Charter School 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 Pride Academy Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Meshinsky & Associates, LLC, CPA's



Philip T. Meshinsky
Licensed Public-School Accountant
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January 10, 2024

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART I

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
EAST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY**

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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The discussion and analysis of Pride Academy Charter School's financial performance provides an overall review of the Charter School's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Charter School's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the Charter School's financial performance. Certain comparative information between the current year (2022 to 2023) and the prior year (2021 to 2022) is required to be presented in the MD & A.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2023 are as follows:

- ❖ General revenues accounted for \$6,730,401 in revenue or 87% percent of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and operating grants and contributions accounted for \$981,221 or 13% percent of total revenues of \$7,711,622.
- ❖ The Charter School had \$6,806,342 in expenses; only \$981,221 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues of \$6,730,401 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- ❖ Among governmental funds, the General Fund had \$6,476,267 in revenues and \$5,769,592 in expenditures. The General Fund's fund balance increased \$706,675 from 2022. This increase was anticipated by the Board of Trustees.

Using this Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)

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

The *Statement of Net Position* and *Statement of Activities* provide information about the activities of the whole Charter School, presenting both an aggregate view of the Charter School's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the Charter School's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column. In the case of Pride Academy Charter School, the General Fund is by far the most significant fund.

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Reporting the Charter School as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the Charter School to provide programs and activities, the view of the Charter School as a whole looks at all financial transactions and ask the question, "How did we do financially during 2023?" The *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities* answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector businesses. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

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

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

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

Reporting the Charter School's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

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

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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Governmental Funds

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

Enterprise Fund

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

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the Charter School-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the basic financial statements can be found starting on page 42 of this report.

The Charter School as a Whole

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

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

The Charter School's combined net position were \$1,313,234 for 2023 and \$407,954 for 2022.

Governmental Activities

The Charter School's total revenues were \$6,957,128 for 2023 and \$6,270,171 for 2022, this includes \$1,160,932 for 2023 and \$1,117,467 for 2022 of state reimbursed TPAF social security, pension and post-retirement medical contributions.

The total cost of all program and services was \$6,095,401 for 2023 and \$6,075,653 for 2022. Instruction comprises 54% for 2023 and 51% for 2022 of Charter School expenditures.

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Business-Type Activities

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

- ❖ Food service revenues exceeded expenditures by \$43,553 for 2023 and revenues exceeded expenditures by \$49,086 for 2022.
- ❖ Charges for services represent \$24,732 for 2023 and \$3,243 for 2022 of revenue. This represents amounts paid by patrons for daily food.
- ❖ Federal and state reimbursements for meals, including payments for free and reduced lunches and breakfast, and state snack program were \$188,456 for 2023 and \$169,041 for 2022.

Governmental Activities

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

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

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

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

The Charter School's Funds

All governmental funds (i.e., general fund and special revenue fund presented in the fund-based statements) are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Total revenues amounted to \$6,957,128 for 2023 and \$6,270,171 for 2022 and expenditures were \$6,246,017 for 2023 and \$6,136,422 for 2022. The net change in fund balance was most significant in the general fund, an increase of \$706,675 for 2023 and an increase of \$129,185 for 2022.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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The Charter School's Funds (Continued)

As demonstrated by the various statements and schedules included in the financial section of this report, the Charter School continues to meet its responsibility for sound financial management. The following schedules present a summary of the revenues of the governmental funds for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, and the amount and percentage of increases and decreases in relation to prior year revenues.

Revenues	Amount	Percent of Total	Increase/ (Decrease) From 2022	Percent of Increase/ (Decrease)
Local Sources	\$ 846,873	12.17%	\$ 191,250	29.17%
State Sources	5,650,129	81.22%	508,479	9.89%
Federal Sources	460,126	6.61%	(12,772)	(2.70%)
Total	<u>\$ 6,957,128</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 686,957</u>	

The following schedule represents a summary of general fund and special revenue fund expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, and the percentage of increases and decreases in relation to prior year amounts.

Expenditures	Amount	Percent of Total	Increase/ (Decrease) From 2022	Percent of Increase/ (Decrease)
Instruction	\$ 2,429,913	38.90%	\$ 133,353	5.81%
Administration	2,345,333	37.55%	(7,307)	(0.31%)
Support Services	1,339,538	21.45%	(140,281)	(9.48%)
Capital Outlay	131,233	2.10%	123,830	1672.70%
Total	<u>\$ 6,246,017</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 109,595</u>	

Changes in expenditures were the results of varying factors. Current expense decreased due to reductions in staff and medical costs.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

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

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

Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)

At the end of the fiscal year 2023, the Charter School had \$107,278 invested in capital assets and \$0 for 2022.

For the Future

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

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

Contacting the Charter School's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the Charter School's finances and to show the Charter School's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary at Pride Academy Charter School, 117 Elmwood Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey 07018.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SECTION A – CHARTER SCHOOL–WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
ASSETS:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,448,715	\$ 50,560	\$ 2,499,275
Interfund Receivables	390,229	74,705	464,934
Receivables	406,003	11,956	417,959
Other Assets	76,386	-	76,386
Capital Assets, Net	101,360	5,918	107,278
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Total Assets	3,422,693	143,139	3,565,832
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
Pensions	358,600	-	358,600
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Deferred Outflows of Resources	358,600	-	358,600
LIABILITIES:			
Payroll Deductions and Withholding Payable	115,674	-	115,674
Interfund Payable	669,015	-	669,015
Accounts Payable	167,343	11,157	178,500
Payable to Districts	37,716	-	37,716
Unearned Revenue	390,229	-	390,229
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Pensions	982,003		982,003
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Total Liabilities	2,361,980	11,157	2,373,137
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
Pensions	238,061		238,061
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Deferred Inflows of Resources	238,061	-	238,061
NET POSITION:			
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	101,360	-	101,360
Restricted for:			
Student Activities	12,180	-	12,180
Unassigned	1,067,712	131,982	1,199,694
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Total Net Position	\$ 1,181,252	\$ 131,982	\$ 1,313,234
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PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Statement of Activities
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Indirect Expenses Allocation	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
			Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:								
Instruction	\$ 2,441,175	\$ 850,995	\$ -	\$ 226,727	\$ -	\$ (3,065,443)	\$ -	\$ (3,065,443)
Administration	776,443	668,639	-	-	-	(1,445,082)	-	(1,445,082)
Support Services	1,339,538	-	-	-	-	(1,339,538)	-	(1,339,538)
Capital Outlay	18,611	-	-	-	-	(18,611)	-	(18,611)
Unallocated Employee Benefits	541,306	-	-	541,306	-	-	-	-
Total Governmental Activities	5,117,073	\$ 1,519,634	-	768,033	-	(5,868,674)	-	(5,868,674)
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:								
Food Service	169,635		24,732	188,456	-	-	43,553	43,553
Total Business-Type Activities	169,635		24,732	188,456	-	-	43,553	43,553
Total Primary Government	\$ 5,286,708		\$ 24,732	\$ 956,489	\$ -	\$ (5,868,674)	\$ 43,553	\$ (5,825,121)
GENERAL REVENUES								
General Purposes						\$ 656,233	\$ -	\$ 656,233
Federal and State Aid Not Restricted						5,883,528	-	5,883,528
Investment Earnings						1,784	-	1,784
Miscellaneous Revenue						188,856	-	188,856
Total General Revenues						6,730,401	-	6,730,401
Change in Net Position						861,727	43,553	905,280
Net Position - Beginning of Year						319,525	88,429	407,954
Net Position - Ending of Year						\$ 1,181,252	\$ 131,982	\$ 1,313,234

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

SECTION B – FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

**GOVERNMENTAL
FUNDS**

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

Governmental Funds

Balance Sheet

June 30, 2023

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Total
ASSETS:			
Cash	\$ 2,165,524	\$ 12,180	\$ 2,177,704
Cash-Restricted	271,011	-	271,011
Interfund Receivables	-	390,229	390,229
Receivables From Other Governments	179,043	-	179,043
Other Receivables	226,960	-	226,960
Prepaid Expenses	20,023	-	20,023
Security Deposits	56,363	-	56,363
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Total Assets	<u>\$ 2,918,924</u>	<u>\$ 402,409</u>	<u>\$ 3,321,333</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:			
Liabilities:			
Payroll Deductions and Withholding Payable	\$ 115,674	\$ -	\$ 115,674
Interfund Payable	669,015	-	669,015
Accounts Payable	167,343	-	167,343
Payable to District	37,716	-	37,716
Unearned Revenue	-	390,229	390,229
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Total Liabilities	<u>989,748</u>	<u>390,229</u>	<u>1,379,977</u>
Fund Balances:			
Restricted:			
Student Activities	-	12,180	12,180
Unassigned:			
General Fund	1,929,176	-	1,929,176
Total Fund Balances	<u>1,929,176</u>	<u>12,180</u>	<u>1,941,356</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 2,918,924</u>	<u>\$ 402,409</u>	

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in governmental funds. The cost of the assets is \$387,576 and the accumulated depreciation is \$286,216. 101,360

Net pension liability of \$982,003, deferred inflows of resources of \$238,061 less deferred outflows of resources of \$358,600 related to pensions are not reported in the governmental funds (861,464)

Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 1,181,252

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

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
 Governmental Funds
 Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
 Changes in Fund Balance
 For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Total
REVENUES:			
Local Sources:			
Local Tax Levy	\$ 656,233	\$ -	\$ 656,233
Interest on Investments	1,784	-	1,784
Miscellaneous	168,121	20,735	188,856
Total Local Sources	826,138	20,735	846,873
State Sources	5,650,129	-	5,650,129
Federal Sources	-	460,126	460,126
Total Revenues	6,476,267	480,861	6,957,128
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Instruction	2,214,021	215,892	2,429,913
Administration	2,345,333	-	2,345,333
Student Related Services	-	16,299	16,299
Support Services	1,191,627	131,612	1,323,239
Capital Outlay	18,611	112,622	131,233
Total Expenditures	5,769,592	476,425	6,246,017
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	706,675	4,436	711,111
FUND BALANCE, JULY 1	1,222,501	7,744	1,230,245
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$ 1,929,176	\$ 12,180	\$ 1,941,356

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

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
 Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
 and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
 to the Statement of Activities
 For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Total net change in fund balances - governmental fund (from B-2)	\$	711,111
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (A-2) are different because:		
<p>Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, on the statement of activities, the cost of those assets if capitalized is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current fiscal year.</p>		
Capital Asset Additions	112,622	
Depreciation Expense	<u>(11,262)</u>	101,360
<p>Pension costs associated with the PERS pension plan are reported in the governmental funds as expenditures in the year the school pension contribution is paid. However, on the statement of activities, the net difference between the current and prior year net pension liability is recognized</p>		
		<u>49,256</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	<u>861,727</u>

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

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
 Proprietary Funds
 Statement of Fund Net Position
 June 30, 2023

	Business-Type Activities
	Food Service
ASSETS:	
Current Assets:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 50,560
Intergovernmental Accounts Receivable	
Federal	11,562
State	394
Interfund Accounts Receivable	74,705
Total Current Assets	137,221
Noncurrent Assets:	
Machinery and Equipment	6,575
Accumulated Depreciation	(657)
Total Noncurrent Assets	5,918
Total Assets	\$ 143,139
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION:	
Liabilities:	
Account Payable	\$ 11,157
Total Liabilities	11,157
NET POSITION:	
Unassigned	131,982
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 143,139

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

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Proprietary Funds
Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Business-Type Activities
OPERATING REVENUES:	
Charges for Services:	
Daily Sales - Program (Reimbursable Program) Meals	\$ 24,732
Total Operating Revenues	24,732
OPERATING EXPENSES:	
Cost of Sales	161,096
General Supplies	7,882
Depreciation	657
Total Operating Expenses	169,635
OPERATING (LOSS)	(144,903)
NONOPERATING REVENUES:	
State Sources:	
State School Breakfast Program	409
State School Lunch Program	4,717
Federal Sources:	
National School Breakfast Program	25,783
National Lunch Program	156,394
National Snack Program	1,153
Total Nonoperating Revenues	188,456
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	43,553
TOTAL NET POSITION, JULY 1	88,429
TOTAL NET POSITION, JUNE 30	\$ 131,982

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

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
 Proprietary Fund
 Statement of Cash Flows
 For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Business-Type Activities
	Food Service
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Cash Received from Customers	\$ 24,732
Cash Payments to Suppliers and Employees	(216,352)
Net Cash Used In Operating Activities	(191,620)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	
Cash Received from State and Federal Reimbursements	188,456
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	188,456
Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(3,164)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of the Year	53,724
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of the Year	\$ 50,560
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Used in:	
Operating Activities:	
Operating Loss (Used For) Operating Activities	\$ (144,903)
Depreciation	657
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:	
Decrease in Accounts Receivable	5,694
Increase in Interfund Accounts Receivable	(46,599)
Increase in Equipment	(6,575)
Increase in Accounts Payable	106
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	\$ (191,620)

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Pride Academy Charter School have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The GASB is the accounting standard-setting body responsible for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant accounting policies of the Charter School are described below.

For fiscal year 2016, the Charter School implemented the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions" and GASB Statement No. 71, "Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68." GASB 68 established standards for measuring and recognizing pension liabilities, deferred outflows of resources and expense/expenditure.

A. Reporting Entity

The Charter School is an instrument of the State of New Jersey, established to function as an educational institution. Its mission is to establish a character school to serve as a neighborhood resource and as a model for other similar schools. The Pride Academy Charter School is committed to achieving the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and producing high academic achievement by all students. The Charter School will integrate a holistic curriculum, utilize learner center techniques, family and care giver centered approaches, comprehensive community involvement, cutting edge technology and an intimate nurturing environment that will enhance positive self-images.

The primary criterion for including activities within the Charter School's reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of the GASB's Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, is the degree of oversight responsibility maintained by the Charter School management. Oversight responsibility includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, and ability to significantly influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters. The combined financial statements include all funds and account groups of the Charter School.

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

B. Basis of Presentation. Basis of Accounting

The Charter School's basic financial statements consist of Charter 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.

Charter school-wide Statements: The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Charter School as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the overall Charter School, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activity of the Charter School. Governmental activities generally are financed through intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange 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 activity of the Charter School at fiscal year-end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the business-type activity of the Charter School and for each function of the Charter School's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function.

Program revenues include (a) fees and 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 are presented as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function or business segment is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the Charter School. *Fund Financial Statements:* 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 Charter 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 Charter 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 Charter School financial reporting models.

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Basis of Presentation. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

The Charter School reports the following governmental funds:

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 vehicles and movable instructional or non- instructional equipment which are classified in the capital outlay subfund.

As required by the New Jersey State Department of Education, the Charter School includes budgeted capital outlay in this fund. Generally accepted accounting principles as they pertain to governmental entities state that general fund resources may be used to directly finance capital outlays for long-lived improvements as long as the resources in such cases are derived exclusively from unrestricted revenues. Resources for budgeted capital outlay purposes are normally derived from State of New Jersey Aid and appropriated fund balance. Expenditures are those that result in the acquisition of or additions to fixed assets for land, existing buildings, improvements of grounds, construction of buildings, additions to or remodeling of buildings and the purchase of built-in equipment. These resources can be transferred from and to Current Expense by Board resolution.

Special Revenue Fund: The special revenue fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue from State and Federal Government, (other than major capital projects, debt service or the enterprise funds) and local appropriations that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital Projects Fund: The capital projects fund is used to account for all financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds).

Debt Service Fund: Not applicable.

The Charter School reports the following proprietary fund:

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

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Basis of Presentation. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Additionally, the Charter School reports the following fund type:

Fiduciary Funds: The Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the Charter School on behalf of others and includes Payroll and Payroll Agency Funds.

Basis of Accounting

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

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

Governmental Fund Financial Statements: Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

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

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Budgets/Budgetary Control

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

Appropriations, except remaining project appropriations, encumbrances, and unexpended grant appropriations, lapse at the end of each fiscal year. The capital projects fund presents the remaining project appropriations compared to current year expenditures.

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the fiscal year. For governmental funds, there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) with the exception of the special revenue fund as noted below. Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

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

The following presents a reconciliation of the Special Revenue Funds from the budgetary basis of accounting to the GAAP basis of accounting:

Total Revenues & Expenditures (Budgetary Basis)	\$ 480,861
Adjustments:	
Less Encumbrances at June 30, 2023	-
Plus Encumbrances at June 30, 2022	-
Total Revenue and Expenditures (GAAP Basis)	<u>\$ 476,425</u>

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

D. Encumbrances Accounting

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

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

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

E. Assets, Liabilities, and Equity

Interfund Transactions:

Transfers between governmental and business-type activities on the Charter School – wide statements are reported in the same manner as general revenues.

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as Interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and after non-operating revenues/expenses in the enterprise fund. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

Inventories:

Inventory purchases, other than those recorded in the enterprise fund, are recorded as expenditures during the year of purchase. Enterprise fund inventories are valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first-in/first-out (FIFO) method.

Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts:

No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been recorded as all amounts are considered collectible.

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Assets, Liabilities, and Equity (Continued)

Capital Assets:

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

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

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
School Buildings	50
Building Improvements	20
Electrical/Plumbing	30
Office & Computer Equipment	5-10

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

Unearned Revenue:

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Grants and entitlement received before the eligibility requirements are met are recorded as deferred revenue.

Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations:

All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported on the Charter School – wide financial statements. In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds.

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Assets, Liabilities, and Equity (Continued)

Net Position:

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net investment in capital assets 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 are 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.

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. There is no fund balance reserve for the current year.

Revenues — Exchange and Nonexchange 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. For the Charter 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 grants, entitlements, and donations. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations are 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 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 non-exchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year-end: state and local revenues available as an advance, interest, and tuition.

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Assets, Liabilities, and Equity (Continued)

Operating Revenues and Expenses:

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the enterprise fund. For the 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.

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.

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.

Management Estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Accrued Salaries and Wages:

Certain Charter School employees who provide services to the Charter School over the ten-month academic year have the option to have their salaries evenly disbursed during the entire twelve-month year. New Jersey statutes require that these earned but undisbursed amounts be retained in a separate bank account.

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

A. Pensions

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

B. Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles

Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Charter School implemented GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. As a result of implementing this statement, the Charter School is required to measure certain investments at fair value for financial reporting purposes. In addition, the Charter School is required to measure donated capital assets at acquisition value (an entry price); these assets were previously required to be measured at fair value. Statement No. 72 requires disclosures to be made about fair value measurements, the level of fair value hierarchy, and valuation techniques. Implementation of this Statement did not impact the Charter School's financial statements.

The Charter School implemented GASB Statement No. 73, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets that are Not Within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68*. Implementation of this Statement did not impact the Charter School's financial statements.

The Charter School implemented GASB Statement No. 76, *The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments*. Implementation of this Statement did not impact the Charter School's financial statements.

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles (Continued)

Recently Issued and Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

The GASB has issued the following Statements which will become effective in future years as shown below:

Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*. This Statement requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose information about those agreements. This Statement will be effective for the year ended June 30, 2023. Management does not expect this Statement to impact the Charter School's financial statements.

Statement No. 78, *Pensions Provided Through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans*. The objective of this Statement is to address a practice issue regarding the scope and applicability of Statement No. 68.

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles (Continued)

Recently Issued and Adopted Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)

Statement No. 79, *Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants*. This Statement addresses accounting and financial reporting for certain external investment pools and pool participants. This Statement will be effective for the year ended June 30, 2023. Management does not expect this Statement to impact the Charter School's financial statements.

Statement No. 80, *Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14*. The objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by clarifying the financial statement presentation requirements for certain component units. This Statement amends the blending requirements established in paragraph 53 of Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity, as amended*. This Statement will be effective for the year ended June 30, 2023. Management does not expect this Statement to impact the Charter School's financial statements.

Statement No. 81, *Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements*. The objective of this Statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting for irrevocable split-interest agreements by providing recognition and measurement guidance for situations in which a government is a beneficiary of the agreement. This Statement will be effective for the year ended June 30, 2023. Management does not expect this Statement to impact the Charter School's financial statements.

Statement No. 82, *Pension Issues – an amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, 68 and 73*. The objective of this Statement is to address certain issues that have been raised with respect to Statements No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans*, No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, and No. 73, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not Within The Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68*. This Statement will be effective for the year ended June 30, 2023. Management has not yet determined the potential impact on the Charter School's financial statements.

NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

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

Investments are stated at cost, or amortized cost, which approximates market. The amortized cost method involves valuing a security at its cost on the date of purchase and thereafter assuming a constant amortization to maturity of any discount or premium. The Board classifies certificates of deposit which have

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023**

NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

original maturity dates of more than three months but less than twelve months from the date of purchase, as investments.

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

Deposits

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

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

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

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

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

Investments

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

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

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NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

Investments (Continued)

c. Bonds or other obligations of the charter school.

The Charter School had no investments as of June 30, 2023. Cash and cash equivalents of the Charter School consisted of the following:

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Proprietary Fund	Fiduciary Fund	Total
Operating Account	\$ 2,320,861	\$ 12,180	\$ 50,560	\$ 115,674	\$ 2,499,275

The carrying amount of the Board’s cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2023 was \$2,499,275 and the bank balance was \$2,650,312. All bank balances were covered by federal depository insurance and/or covered by a collateral pool maintained by the banks as required by New Jersey statutes.

Risk Category

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

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

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

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

As of June 30, 2023, the Board had funds invested and on deposit in checking accounts. These funds constitute “deposits with financial institutions” as defined by GASB Statement No. 3 and are classified as Category 1, both at year-end and throughout the year.

New Jersey Cash Management Fund

All investments in the Fund are governed by the regulations of the Investment Council, which prescribe specific standards designed to insure the quality of investments and to minimize the risks related to investments. In all the years of the Division of Investment’s existence, the Division has never suffered a default of principal or interest on any short-term security held by it due to the bankruptcy of a

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NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

Risk Category (Continued)

New Jersey Cash Management Fund (Continued)

securities issuer; nevertheless, the possibility always exists, and for this reason a reserve is being accumulated as additional protection for the “Other-than-State” participants. In addition to the Council regulations, the Division sets further standards for specific investments and monitors the credit of all eligible securities issuers on a regular basis.

As of June 30, 2023, the Charter school had no funds on deposit with the New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

NOTE 3: RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2023 consisted of accounts, intergovernmental, grants, and miscellaneous.

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

	Governmental Fund Financial Statements	Governmental Wide Financial Statements
State Aid	\$ 206,556	\$ 206,950
Federal Aid	-	11,562
Other	199,447	199,447
Total Receivables, Net	\$ 406,003	\$ 417,959

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NOTE 4: INTERFUND TRANSFERS AND BALANCES

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

The following interfund balances remained on the fund financial statements at June 30, 2023:

Fund	Interfund Receivable	Interfund Payable
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 669,015
Special Revenue Fund	390,229	-
Proprietary Fund	74,705	-
Fiduciary Fund	204,081	-
Total	\$ 669,015	\$ 669,015

NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Retirements	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:				
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:				
Building Improvements	\$ 130,681	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 130,681
Equipment	144,273	112,622	-	256,895
Totals at Historical Cost	274,954	112,622	-	387,576
Less Accumulated Depreciation For:				
Building Improvements	130,681	-	-	130,681
Equipment	144,273	11,262	-	155,535
Total Accumulated Depreciation	274,954	11,262	-	286,216
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	-	-	-	-
Government Activity Capital Assets, Net	\$ -	\$ 101,360	\$ -	\$ 101,360

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

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NOTE 6: RENTAL LEASES

The school leases space at 117 Elmwood Ave, East Orange, New Jersey under a lease agreement commencing April 21, 2011 with Shining Schools Inc. for one (1) year and shall automatically renew for additional periods of five (5) years each after the expiration of the initial term. The Base Rent for the initial year is \$324,000 per annum payable in equal monthly installments. Each year thereafter, the Base Rent shall be increased by 1% of the prior year's Base Rent paid. On February 27, 2017, the lease was amended and rent was increased to \$38,000 per month effective April 1, 2017. The lease was later amended and rent was decreased to \$33,000 per month effective July 1, 2022. Rent for the year amounted to \$396,000.

School also leases additional office space at 115 Elmwood Avenue for a monthly rental of \$1,843. The lease for the office space is for one (1) year. Rent expense for the year amounted to \$418,116 for both locations.

NOTE 7: OBLIGATIONS UNDER EQUIPMENT LEASES

In September 2020, the Charter School leased three (3) copier machines for 60 months with monthly payments in the amount of \$678 expiring August 2025. The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments under the capital leases at June 30, 2023:

Year	Amount
2024	8,136
2025	8,136
2026	1,356
Total minimum lease payments	\$ 17,628

NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS

A substantial number of the Charter School's employees participate in one of the following defined benefit pension plans: the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund ("TPAF") and the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS"), which are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (the "Division"). In addition, employees may participate in the Defined Contribution Retirement Program, which is a defined contribution pension plan. This plan is administered by Prudential Financial for the Division.

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NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

Each plan has a Board of Trustees that is primarily responsible for its administration. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to:

State of New Jersey
Division of Pensions and Benefits
P.O. Box 295
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295
<http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions>

General Information about the Pension Plans

Plan Descriptions

Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund - The Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, with a special funding situation, which was established as of January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:66. The State of New Jersey (the "State") is responsible to fund 100% of the employer contributions, excluding any local employer early retirement incentive (ERI) contributions. The TPAF's designated purpose is to provide retirement benefits, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. Membership in the TPAF is mandatory for substantially all teachers or members of the professional staff certified by the State Board of Examiners, who have titles that are unclassified, professional and certified. The TPAF's Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the TPAF.

Public Employees' Retirement System - The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan which was established as of January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A. The PERS's designated purpose is to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. Membership in the PERS is mandatory for substantially all full-time employees of the Charter School, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state pensions fund or local jurisdiction's pension fund. The PERS's Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the PERS.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - The Defined Contribution Retirement Program is a multiple-employer defined contribution pension fund established on July 1, 2007 under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007, and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007 (N.J.S.A. 43:15C-1 et. seq.). The DCRP is a tax-qualified defined contribution money purchase pension plan under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) § 401(a) et seq., and is a "governmental plan" within the meaning of IRC § 414(d). The DCRP provides retirement benefits for eligible employees and their beneficiaries. Individuals covered under DCRP are employees enrolled in TPAF or PERS on or after July 1, 2007, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees enrolled in New Jersey State Police Retirement

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NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)

System (SPRS) or the Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) after May 21, 2010, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees otherwise eligible to enroll in TPAF or PERS on or after November 2, 2008, who do not earn the minimum annual salary for tier 3 enrollment but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually; and employees otherwise eligible to enroll in TPAF or PERS after May 21, 2010 who do not work the minimum number of hours per week required for tiers 4 or 5 enrollment, but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually.

Vesting and Benefit Provisions

Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund - 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, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of TPAF. Members are always fully vested for their own contributions and, after three years of service credit, become vested 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 and PERS:

Tier Definition

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

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching 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 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit, and tier 5 before age 65 with 30 or more years of service credit. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the retirement age for his/her respective tier. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

Public Employees' Retirement System - The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and 43:3B. The PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits.

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NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)

All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of the PERS.

The membership tiers for PERS are the same as previously noted for TPAF.

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 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit and tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age 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.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - Eligible members are provided with a defined contribution retirement plan intended to qualify for favorable Federal income tax treatment under IRC Section 401(a), a noncontributory group life insurance plan and a noncontributory group disability benefit plan. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employee contributions shall immediately become and shall at all times remain fully vested and nonforfeitable. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employer contributions shall be vested and nonforfeitable on the date the participant commences the second year of employment or upon his or her attainment of age 65, while employed by an employer, whichever occurs first.

Contributions

Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 18A:66 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, the active member contribution rate increased from 5.5% of annual compensation to 6.5% plus an additional 1% phased-in over 7 years beginning in July 2012. The member contribution rate was 7.20% in State fiscal year 2017. The phase-in of the additional incremental member contribution rate takes place in July of each subsequent State fiscal year. The State's contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount, which includes the employer portion of the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Funding for noncontributory group insurance benefits is based on actual claims paid.

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NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

Contributions (Cont'd)

For fiscal year 2021, the State's pension contribution was less than the actuarial determined amount.

Under current statute, all employer contributions are made by the State of New Jersey on-behalf of the Charter School and all other related non-contributing employers. No normal or accrued liability contribution by the Charter School has been required over the 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 Charter School commenced operations on January 1, 2013 and the enrollment process of Charter School employees in the TPAF began upon hiring of applicable personnel. As a result of the timing of participation in the pension plan, at June 30, 2023 there are no contractual requirements to contribute. Timing of participation aside, the Charter School would not have been required to make any contributions to the pension plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 because of the 100% special funding situation with the State of New Jersey.

Based on the most recent TPAF measurement date of June 30, 2019 and the timing of the Charter School's participation in the pension plan, there was no State contractually required contribution, on-behalf of the Charter School, to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. Charter School employee contributions to the pension plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 were \$232,946.

Public Employees' Retirement System - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Members contribute at a uniform rate. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, the active member contribution rate increased from 5.5% of annual compensation to 6.5% plus an additional 1% phased-in over seven years beginning in July 2012. The member contribution rate was 7.20% in State fiscal year 2017. The phase-in of the additional incremental member contribution rate takes place in July of each subsequent State fiscal year. The rate for members who are eligible for the Prosecutors Part of PERS (Chapter 366, P.L. 2001) increased from 8.5% of base salary to 10%. Employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate. The Charter School's contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined amount, which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability.

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NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)

Contributions (Cont'd)

Public Employees' Retirement System (Cont'd) - The Charter School's contractually required contribution rate for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 was 15.73% of the Charter School's covered payroll. This amount was actuarially determined as the amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, including an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Based on the most recent PERS measurement date of June 30, 2023, the Charter School's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 was \$82,057 and was paid by April 1, 2023. Charter School employee contributions to the pension plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 were \$46,212.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15C-3 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. In accordance with Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007, plan members are required to contribute 5.5% of their annual covered salary. In addition to the employee contributions, the Charter School contributes 3% of the employees' base salary, for each pay period, to Prudential Financial not later than the fifth business day after the date on which the employee is paid for that pay period.

At June 30, 2023, the Charter School had no employees participating in this program.

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

Public Employees' Retirement System - At June 30, 2023, the Charter School reported a liability of \$982,003 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2020. The Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Charter School's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. For the June 30, 2023 measurement date, the Charter School's proportion was .0056263106%, which was an decrease from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2020.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the Charter School recognized pension expense of \$1, in the government-wide financial statements. This pension expense was based on the pension plan's June 30, 2020 measurement date.

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NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)

Public Employees' Retirement System (Cont'd) - At June 30, 2023, the Charter School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
\$ 358,600	\$ 238,061

Actuarial Assumptions

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2020. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation Rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases:	
Through 2026	2.00% - 6.00% Based on Years of Service
Thereafter	3.00% - 7.00% Based on Years of Service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%
Mortality Rate Table	PUB-2010
Period of Actuarial Experience	
Study upon which Actuarial Assumptions were Based	July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2018 July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2018 Respectively

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Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)

For PERS, pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Employee Preretirement Mortality Table for male and female active participants. Mortality tables are set back 2 years for males and 7 years for females. In addition, the tables provide for future improvements in mortality from the base year of 2013 using a generational approach based on the plan actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Male and Female Mortality Tables (setback 1 year for males and females) for service retirements and beneficiaries of former members and a one-year static projection based on mortality improvement Scale AA. In addition, the tables for service retirements and beneficiaries of former members provide for future improvements in mortality from the base year of 2013 using a generational approach based on the plan actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table (set back 3 years for males and set forward 1 year for females).

For PERS, 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 Investments 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. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following tables:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate Of Return</u>
US Equity	27.00%	8.09%
Non-U.S. Developed Markets Equity	13.50%	8.71%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	10.96%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.30%
Real Assets	3.00%	7.40%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.50%
High Yield	2.00%	3.15%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.60%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	1.88%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	0.50%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	0.95%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.35%

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NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability at June 30, 2020 was 7.00% for PERS. For PERS, the respective single blended discount rates were based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00%, and a municipal bond rate of 2.21% as of June 30, 2020, 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 rates assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made based on 78% of the actuarially determined contribution by 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 2062. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2062 for PERS, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

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

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - The following presents the net pension liability of the State as of June 30, 2020, calculated using a discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the State net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rate.

	PERS		
	At 1% Decrease (6.00%)	At Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	At 1% Increase (8.00%)
Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 3,185,051	\$ 2,337,565	\$ 1,620,744

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NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the respective fiduciary net position of the PERS and additions to/deductions from PERS's respective fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS. Accordingly, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value. For additional information about PERS, please refer to the plan's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) which can be found at www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions.

NOTE 9: STATE POST-RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS

P.L. 1987, c.384 of P.L. 1990, c.6 required Teachers' Pensions and Annuity Fund ("TPAF") and the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS"), respectively, to fund post-retirement medical benefits for those State employees who retire after accumulating 25 years of credited service or on a disability retirement. P.L. 2007, c.103 amended the law to eliminate the funding of postemployment medical benefits through the TPAF and PERS. It created separate funds outside of the pension plans for the funding and payment of postemployment medical benefits for retired State employees and retired educational employees. As of June 30, 2015, there were 107,314 retirees receiving postemployment medical benefits, and the State contributed \$1.25 billion on their behalf. The cost of these benefits is funded through contributions by the State in accordance with P.L. 1994, c.62. Funding of post-retirement medical premiums changed from a pre-funding basis to a pay-as-you-go basis beginning in fiscal year 1994.

The State is also responsible for the cost attributable to P.L. 1992 c.126, which provides free health benefits to members of PERS and the Alternate Benefit Program who retire from a Board of Education, Charter School or county college with 25 years of service. The State paid \$214.1 million toward Chapter 126 benefits for 19,056 eligible retired members in fiscal year 2015.

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NOTE 10: 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.

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NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (CONT'D)

Basis of Presentation

The Schedule presents the State of New Jersey's obligation under NJSA 52:14-17.32f. The Schedule does not purport to be a complete presentation of the financial position or changes in financial position of the State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan or the State of New Jersey. The accompanying Schedule was prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Such preparation requires management of the State of New Jersey to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability

The total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022. 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:

Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability \$67,809,962,608

	TPAF/ABP	PERS
Inflation Rate	2.50%	2.50%
	Based on Years of Service	Based on Years of Service
Salary Increases:		
Through 2026	1.55% - 4.45%	2.00% - 6.00%
Thereafter	1.55% - 4.45%	3.00% - 7.00%

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NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (CONT'D)

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-2020. 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-2020. 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-2020

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 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 6.25% 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 rates for fiscal year 2023 is reflected. The assumed post-65 medical trend is 4.5% for all future years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 8.0% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after seven years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.0%.

Discount rate

The discount rate for June 30, 2022 was 3.54%. 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.

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NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (CONT'D)

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	Total OPEB Liability
Balance as of June 30, 2021 Measurement Date	\$ 3,925,447
Changes for the Year:	
Service Cost	537,153
Interest Cost	92,171
Changes of Benefit Terms	-
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	(55,406)
Changes in Assumptions or Other Inputs	(933,003)
Member Contributions	2,929
Gross Benefit Payments	(91,298)
Net Changes	(447,454)
Balance as of June 30, 2022 Measurement Date	\$ 3,477,993

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

The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2020, 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% Decrease (1.21%)	At Discount Rate (2.21%)	At 1% Increase (3.21%)
\$81,748,410,002	\$67,809,962,608	\$56,911,439,160

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, 2020, calculated using the healthcare trend rate as disclosed above as well as what the total 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:

1% Decrease	Healthcare Cost Trend Rate	1% Increase
\$54,738,488,540	\$67,809,962,608	\$83,375,182,975

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NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (CONT'D)

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Charter School recognized OPEB expense of \$541,306.

Special Funding Situation

The participating employer allocations included in the supplemental Schedule of special funding amounts by employer for each 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.

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NOTE 11: RISK MANAGEMENT

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

Property and Liability Insurance

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

NOTE 12: FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATED

General Fund

The General Fund fund balance in the fund financial statements at June 30, 2023, in the amount of \$1,854,176, is unassigned and undesignated, \$75,000 is reserved for a school closing and \$12,180 is restricted for student activities.

NOTE 13: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through January 10, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Events occurring after that date have not been evaluated to determine whether a change in the financial statements would be required. The COVID-19 outbreak in the United States and specifically in New Jersey has caused disruption of the School's normal financial operations. Though the impact on the School's operation cannot be reasonably estimated at this date, it is likely that there will be an impact on certain revenue in the General Fund other than state aid and the local tax levy.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART II

SECTION C – BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
REVENUES:					
Local Sources:					
Equalization Aid-Local Share	\$ 656,233	\$ -	\$ 656,233	\$ 656,233	\$ -
Total Local Sources	656,233	-	\$ 656,233	656,233	\$ -
Categorical Aid:					
Equalization Aid-State Share	4,107,493	-	4,107,493	4,107,493	-
Security Aid	154,977	-	154,977	154,977	-
Special Education Categorical Aid	226,727	-	226,727	226,727	-
Total Categorical Aid	4,489,197	-	4,489,197	4,489,197	-
Other Sources:					
Interest Income	-	-	-	1,784	1,784
Miscellaneous Revenue	-	-	-	168,121	168,121
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contributions (Non-Budgeted)	-	-	-	773,649	773,649
On-Behalf TPAF Post Retirement Medical Contributions (Non-Budgeted)	-	-	-	203,714	203,714
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contributions (Non-Budgeted)	-	-	-	183,569	183,569
Total other Sources	-	-	-	1,330,837	1,330,837
Total Revenues	5,145,430	-	5,145,430	6,476,267	1,330,837
EXPENDITURES:					
Instruction:					
Salaries of Teachers - Grades 5 to 8	\$ 2,126,495	\$ -	\$ 2,126,495	\$ 2,107,021	\$ 19,474
Other Purchased Services	105,634	-	105,634	85,509	20,125
General Supplies	23,977	-	23,977	13,200	10,777
Textbooks	1,000	-	1,000	966	34
Miscellaneous	12,689	-	12,689	7,325	5,364
Total Instruction	2,269,795	-	2,269,795	2,214,021	55,774
Administration					
Salaries - General Administration	786,246	-	786,246	784,885	1,361
Total Benefits Cost	430,939	-	430,939	237,926	193,013
Purchases Prof/Tech Services	83,178	-	83,178	82,526	652
Other Purchased Services	19,648	-	19,648	20,940	(1,292)
Communications/Telephone	33,929	-	33,929	27,032	6,897
Supplies and Materials	27,575	-	27,575	27,572	3
Miscellaneous Expenses	21,750	-	21,750	3,520	18,230
Total Administration	1,403,265	-	1,403,265	1,184,401	218,864

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

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
(Continued From Prior Page)					
Support Services:					
Salaries	\$ 344,327	\$ -	\$ 344,327	\$ 344,319	\$ 8
Repair and Maintenance Service	224,605	-	224,605	224,567	38
Purchased Prof/Ed Services	61,794	-	61,794	47,738	14,056
Rental of Land and Buildings	418,116	-	418,116	418,116	-
Insurance for Property, Liability and Fidelity	67,613	-	67,613	66,288	1,325
Supplies and Materials	27,800	-	27,800	27,734	66
Energy Costs (Heat and Electricity)	47,000	-	47,000	46,662	338
Transportation Service	18,000	-	18,000	16,203	1,797
Total Support Services	1,209,255	-	1,209,255	1,191,627	17,628
Capital Outlay:					
Non-Instructional Equipment	24,000	-	24,000	18,611	5,389
Total Capital Outlay	24,000	-	24,000	18,611	5,389
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contributions (Non-Budgeted)				773,649	(773,649)
On-Behalf TPAF Post Retirement Medical Contributions (Non-Budgeted)				203,714	(203,714)
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contributions (Non-Budgeted)				183,569	(183,569)
Total Expenditures	4,906,315	-	4,906,315	5,769,592	(863,277)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	239,115	-	239,115	706,675	467,560
FUND BALANCE, JULY 1	1,222,501	-	1,222,501	1,222,501	-
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$ 1,461,616	\$ -	\$ 1,461,616	\$ 1,929,176	\$ 467,560
Recapitulation of Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures:					
Budgeted Fund Balance	\$ 1,461,616	\$ -	\$ 1,461,616	\$ 1,929,176	\$ 467,560
Total	\$ 1,461,616	\$ -	\$ 1,461,616	\$ 1,929,176	\$ 467,560

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

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Special Revenue Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
REVENUE SOURCES:					
Federal	\$ 460,126	\$ -	\$ 460,126	\$ 460,126	\$ -
State	-	-	-	-	-
Local	-	-	-	20,735	20,735
Total Revenues	460,126	-	460,126	480,861	(20,735)
EXPENDITURES:					
Instruction:					
Salaries of Teachers	190,317	-	190,317	190,317	-
Purchased Ed Services	3,275	-	3,275	3,275	-
Supplies and Materials	134,922	-	134,922	134,922	-
Total Instruction	328,514	-	328,514	328,514	-
Support Services:					
Support Salaries	4,375	-	4,375	4,375	-
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	77,520	-	77,520	77,520	-
Purchased Pro/Ed Services	32,192	-	32,192	32,192	-
Other Objects	15,468	-	15,468	15,468	-
Supplies and Materials	2,057	-	2,057	2,057	-
Student Activities	-	-	-	16,299	(16,299)
Total Support Services	131,612	-	131,612	147,911	(16,299)
Total Expenditures	460,126	-	460,126	476,425	(16,299)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	4,436	\$ 4,436
Fund Balance, July 1				7,744	
Fund Balance, June 30				\$ 12,180	
Recapitulation:					
Restricted					
Student Activities				\$ 12,180	
Total Fund Balance				\$ 12,180	

NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
 Required Supplementary Information
 Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 Note to RSI
 Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

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

		General Fund		Special Revenue Fund
Sources/Inflows of Resources				
Actual amounts (budgetary) "revenues" from the budgetary comparison schedules	[C-1]	\$ 6,476,267	[C-2]	\$ 480,861
Difference - Budget to GAAP				
Grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that encumbrances are recognized as expenditures, and the related revenue is recognized		-		-
Total revenues as reports on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance - governmental funds.	[B-2]	\$ 6,476,267	[B-2]	\$ 480,861
Uses/Outflows of resources				
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total outflows" from the budgetary comparison schedule	[C-1]	\$ 5,769,592	[C-2]	\$ 476,425
Differences - Budget to GAAP:				
Encumbrances for supplies and equipment ordered but not received are reported in the year the order is placed for budgetary purposes, but in the year the supplies are received for financial accounting purposes		-		-
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances - governmental funds.	[B-2]	\$ 5,769,592	[B-2]	\$ 476,425

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART III

**SCHEDULE L - SCHEDULES RELATED TO ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FOR
PENSIONS (GASB 68)**

**PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE
SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS)
LAST ONE PLAN YEAR
UNAUDITED**

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Charter School's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.0065070480%	0.0056263106%
Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 982,003	\$ 831,894
Charter School's Covered Employees Payroll	N/A	N/A
Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	N/A	N/A
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	N/A	N/A

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

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**SECTION E – SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
DETAIL STATEMENTS**

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

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Special Revenue Fund
Combining Schedule of Program Revenues and Expenditures - Budgetary Basis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	ESEA Consolidated Title I Part A	ESEA Consolidated Title II	ESEA Consolidated Title IV	IDEA Basic	CRRSA			Student Activities Fund	Grand Total
					ESSER II Grant	Mental Health	Cares Act		
REVENUE SOURCES:									
Federal Sources	\$ 168,952	\$ 18,186	\$ 12,270	\$ 80,641	\$ 61,006	\$ 6,449	\$ 112,622	\$ -	\$ 460,126
State Sources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Local Sources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,735	20,735
Total Revenues	\$ 168,952	\$ 18,186	\$ 12,270	\$ 80,641	\$ 61,006	\$ 6,449	\$ 112,622	\$ 20,735	\$ 480,861
EXPENDITURES:									
Instruction:									
Salaries of Teachers	\$ 102,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 52,125	\$ 36,192	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 190,317
Purchased Ed Services	-	-	-	-	3,275	-	-	-	3,275
Supplies and Materials	2,572	-	1,510	3,016	15,202	-	112,622	-	134,922
Total Instruction	104,572	-	1,510	55,141	54,669	-	112,622	-	328,514
Support Services:									
Support Salaries	-	-	-	-	4,375	-	-	-	\$ 4,375
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	52,020	-	-	25,500	-	-	-	-	77,520
Purchased Pro/Ed Services	3,432	18,000	10,760	-	-	-	-	-	32,192
Other Objects	8,928	-	-	-	91	6,449	-	-	15,468
Supplies and Materials	-	186	-	-	1,871	-	-	-	2,057
Student Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,299	16,299
Total Support Services	64,380	18,186	10,760	25,500	6,337	6,449	-	16,299	147,911
Total Expenditures	\$ 168,952	\$ 18,186	\$ 12,270	\$ 80,641	\$ 61,006	\$ 6,449	\$ 112,622	\$ 16,299	\$ 476,425
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,436	-
Fund Balance July 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,744	-
Fund Balance, June 30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>12,180</u>	-

**SECTION G – PROPRIETARY FUNDS
DETAIL STATEMENTS**

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

Food Services Fund – This fund provides for the operation of food services in all schools within the school district.

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

**SECTION H – FIDUCIARY FUNDS
DETAIL STATEMENTS**

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

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

Payroll Fund – This agency fund is used to account for the payroll transactions of the school

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**STATISTICAL SECTION
(UNAUDITED)**

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

Contents

Financial Trends

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

Revenue Capacity (Not Applicable To Charter School)

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

Debt Capacity

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

Demographic and Economic Information

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

Operating Information

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

Sources: *Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports (ACFR) for the relevant year. The charter school implemented GASB Statement 34 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004; schedules presenting charter school-wide information include information beginning in that year.*

FINANCIAL TRENDS

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
 Net Position by Component
 Last Ten Fiscal Years
(accrual basis of accounting)
 Unaudited

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Governmental Activities										
Invested in Capital Assets, Net or Related Debt	\$ 101,360	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,071	\$ 51,586	\$ 83,101	\$ 49,989	\$ 80,436
Restricted	12,180	7,744	3,180	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	1,067,712	311,781	121,827	233,595	237,570	144,799	97,348	131,601	127,809	928,256
Total Governmental Activities Net Assets/Position (Deficit)	\$1,181,252	\$ 319,525	\$ 125,007	\$ 233,595	\$ 237,570	\$ 164,870	\$ 148,934	\$ 214,702	\$ 177,798	\$1,008,692
Business-Type Activities										
Unassigned	\$ 131,982	\$ 88,429	\$ 39,343	\$ 39,318	\$ 35,110	\$ 35,755	\$ 35,246	\$ 31,328	\$ 23,205	\$ 13,022
Total Business-Type Activities Net Position	\$ 131,982	\$ 88,429	\$ 39,343	\$ 39,318	\$ 35,110	\$ 35,755	\$ 35,246	\$ 31,328	\$ 23,205	\$ 13,022
Charter School-wide										
Invested in Capital Assets, Net or Related Debt	\$ 101,360	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,071	\$ 51,586	\$ 83,101	\$ 49,989	\$ 80,436
Restricted	12,180	7,744	3,180	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	1,199,694	400,210	161,170	272,913	272,680	180,554	132,594	162,929	151,014	941,278
Total Charter School Net Position (Deficit)	\$1,313,234	\$ 407,954	\$ 164,350	\$ 272,913	\$ 272,680	\$ 200,625	\$ 184,180	\$ 246,030	\$ 201,003	\$1,021,714

Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Changes in Net Position
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Unaudited

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Expenses										
Governmental Activities:										
Instruction	\$ 3,292,170	\$ 3,126,973	\$ 2,835,353	\$ 2,477,694	\$ 2,420,271	\$ 2,310,460	\$ 2,349,274	\$ 1,860,430	\$ 2,382,422	\$ 2,280,493
Administration	1,445,082	1,461,458	1,569,205	1,371,971	1,404,282	1,381,391	1,374,240	1,940,372	1,945,219	2,027,582
Support Services	1,339,538	1,479,819	1,270,054	1,444,916	1,473,589	1,420,458	1,369,873	1,063,843	609,835	496,420
Capital Outlay	18,611	7,403	127,777	1,287	7,520	29,676	43,842	67,131	50,620	81,202
Unallocated Depreciation										
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	9,445	9,445	9,445	9,445	3,873	3,873
Employee Benefits	541,306	730,330	576,620	347,280	443,348	566,103	-	-	-	-
Total Governmental Activities Net Assets/Position	6,636,707	6,805,983	6,379,009	5,643,148	5,758,455	5,717,533	5,146,674	4,941,221	4,991,969	4,889,570
Business-Type Activities:										
Food Service	169,635	123,198	11,352	120,216	183,065	177,610	221,319	221,243	189,646	187,877
Total Business-Type Activities Expenses	169,635	123,198	11,352	120,216	183,065	177,610	221,319	221,243	189,646	187,877
Total Charter School Expenses	\$ 6,806,342	\$ 6,929,181	\$ 6,390,361	\$ 5,763,364	\$ 5,941,520	\$ 5,895,143	\$ 5,367,993	\$ 5,162,464	\$ 5,181,615	\$ 5,077,447
Program Revenues										
Governmental Activities:										
Operating Grants and Contributions	768,033	957,391	739,403	507,046	608,113	658,357	115,517	120,633	131,404	158,773
Total Governmental Activities Expenses	768,033	957,391	739,403	507,046	608,113	658,357	115,517	120,633	131,404	158,773
Business-Type Activities:										
Charges for Services	24,732	3,243	11,377	3,823	4,377	4,019	4,724	6,449	6,916	4,997
Operating Grants and Contributions	188,456	169,041	-	120,601	178,043	174,100	220,513	222,917	192,914	187,353
Total Business-Type Activities Expenses	213,188	172,284	11,377	124,424	182,420	178,119	225,237	229,366	199,830	192,350
Total Charter School Program Revenues	\$ 981,221	\$ 1,129,675	\$ 750,780	\$ 631,470	\$ 790,533	\$ 836,476	\$ 340,754	\$ 349,999	\$ 331,234	\$ 351,123
Net (Expense)/Revenue										
Governmental Activities	\$ (5,868,674)	\$ (5,848,592)	\$ (5,639,606)	\$ (5,136,102)	\$ (5,150,342)	\$ (5,059,176)	\$ (5,031,157)	\$ (4,820,588)	\$ (4,860,565)	\$ (4,730,797)
Business-Type Activities	43,553	49,086	25	4,208	(645)	509	3,918	8,123	10,184	4,473
Total Charter School-wide Net Expense	\$ (5,825,121)	\$ (5,799,506)	\$ (5,639,581)	\$ (5,131,894)	\$ (5,150,987)	\$ (5,058,667)	\$ (5,027,239)	\$ (4,812,465)	\$ (4,850,381)	\$ (4,726,324)
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position										
Governmental Activities:										
General Purposes	\$ 656,233	\$ 591,064	\$ 537,819	\$ 535,374	\$ 535,075	\$ 483,739	\$ 461,081	\$ 474,667	\$ 450,397	\$ 475,126
Federal and State Aid Not Restricted	5,883,528	5,387,487	4,967,358	4,589,205	4,664,833	4,590,146	4,487,168	4,367,521	4,121,847	4,058,566
Investment Earnings	1,784	1,765	1,660	5,437	12,095	230	464	2,668	2,284	142
Miscellaneous Income	188,856	62,794	21,001	2,111	11,039	997	16,676	12,636	13,179	5,098
Total Governmental Activities	6,730,401	6,043,110	5,527,838	5,132,127	5,223,042	5,075,112	4,965,389	4,857,492	4,587,707	4,538,932
Business-Type Activities:										
Miscellaneous Earnings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Business-Type Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Charter School-wide	\$ 6,730,401	\$ 6,043,110	\$ 5,527,838	\$ 5,132,127	\$ 5,223,042	\$ 5,075,112	\$ 4,965,389	\$ 4,857,492	\$ 4,587,707	\$ 4,538,932
Change in Net Assets/Position										
Governmental Activities	\$ 861,727	\$ 194,518	\$ (111,768)	\$ (3,975)	\$ 72,700	\$ 15,936	\$ (65,768)	\$ 36,904	\$ (272,858)	\$ (191,865)
Business-Type Activities	43,553	49,086	25	4,208	(645)	509	3,918	8,123	10,184	4,473
Total Charter School	\$ 905,280	\$ 243,604	\$ (111,743)	\$ 233	\$ 72,055	\$ 16,445	\$ (61,850)	\$ 45,027	\$ (262,674)	\$ (187,392)

Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)
Unaudited

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
General Fund										
Reserved	\$ 12,180	\$ 7,744	\$ 3,180	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Unassigned	1,929,176	1,222,501	1,093,316	1,144,093	1,101,309	976,882	860,026	778,430	737,326	928,256
Total General Fund	<u>\$ 1,941,356</u>	<u>\$ 1,230,245</u>	<u>\$ 1,096,496</u>	<u>\$ 1,144,093</u>	<u>\$ 1,101,309</u>	<u>\$ 976,882</u>	<u>\$ 860,026</u>	<u>\$ 778,430</u>	<u>\$ 737,326</u>	<u>\$ 928,256</u>

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

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Revenues:										
Local Sources:										
Local Tax Levy	\$ 656,233	\$ 591,064	\$ 537,819	\$ 535,374	\$ 535,075	\$ 483,739	\$ 461,081	\$ 474,667	\$ 450,397	\$ 475,126
Interest In Investments	1,784	1,765	1,660	5,437	12,095	230	464	2,668	2,284	142
Miscellaneous	188,856	62,794	21,001	2,111	11,039	997	16,676	12,636	13,179	5,098
State Sources	5,650,129	5,141,650	4,859,967	4,479,881	4,561,281	4,415,711	4,361,044	4,188,323	3,967,435	3,971,623
Federal Sources	460,126	472,898	270,174	269,090	268,317	266,689	241,641	299,831	285,816	245,716
Total Revenues	<u>6,957,128</u>	<u>6,270,171</u>	<u>5,690,621</u>	<u>5,291,893</u>	<u>5,387,807</u>	<u>5,167,366</u>	<u>5,080,906</u>	<u>4,978,125</u>	<u>4,719,111</u>	<u>4,697,705</u>
Expenditures:										
Instruction	2,429,913	2,296,560	2,025,467	1,813,449	1,770,758	1,685,178	1,716,428	1,770,685	1,891,652	1,853,135
Administration	2,345,333	2,352,640	2,318,100	1,989,457	2,011,513	1,915,198	1,869,167	1,970,735	1,839,024	1,822,872
Support Services	1,339,538	1,479,819	1,270,054	1,444,916	1,473,589	1,420,458	1,369,873	1,063,843	1,128,745	1,101,914
Capital Outlay	131,233	7,403	127,777	1,287	7,520	29,676	43,842	131,758	50,620	118,028
Total Expenditures	<u>6,246,017</u>	<u>6,136,422</u>	<u>5,741,398</u>	<u>5,249,109</u>	<u>5,263,380</u>	<u>5,050,510</u>	<u>4,999,310</u>	<u>4,937,021</u>	<u>4,910,041</u>	<u>4,895,949</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$ 711,111</u>	<u>\$ 133,749</u>	<u>\$ (50,777)</u>	<u>\$ 42,784</u>	<u>\$ 124,427</u>	<u>\$ 116,856</u>	<u>\$ 81,596</u>	<u>\$ 41,104</u>	<u>\$ (190,930)</u>	<u>\$ (198,244)</u>

Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
 General Fund - Other Local Revenue by Source
 Last Ten Fiscal Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)
 Unaudited

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Interest Income	Miscellaneous Revenue	Total
2023	\$ 1,784	\$ 188,856	190,640
2022	1,765	62,794	64,559
2021	1,660	21,001	22,661
2020	5,437	2,111	7,548
2019	12,095	11,039	23,134
2018	230	997	1,227
2017	464	16,676	17,140
2016	12,636	2,668	15,304
2015	13,179	-	13,179
2014	5,098	142	5,240

Source: Charter School records

OPERATING INFORMATION

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
 Full-Time Equivalent Charter School Employees by Function
 Last Ten Fiscal Years
Unaudited

Function	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Instruction	32	32	29	29	29	29	29	31	32	30
Administrative	5	5	9	8	8	8	8	9	8	3.0
Support Service	8	8	7	8	8	8	7	7	7	11
Total	45	45	45	45	45	45	44	47	47	44

Source: Charter School Personnel Records

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
 Operating Statistics
 Last Ten Fiscal Years
Unaudited

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Enrollment	Operating Expenditures*	Cost Per Pupil	Percentage Change	Teaching Staff**	Pupil / Teacher Ratio	Average Daily Enrollment (ADE)***	Average Daily Attendance (ADA)***	Percent Change in Average Daily Enrollment	Student Attendance Percentage
2023	299	\$ 6,114,784	\$ 20,451	0.23%	32	9.3:1	298.6	283.6	-0.40%	95.00%
2022	299	6,129,019	20,498	0.09%	32	9.3:1	299.8	285.8	0.01%	95.58%
2021	300	5,613,621	18,712	0.02%	29	10.3:1	299.7	292.9	0.05%	97.63%
2020	286	5,247,822	18,349	0.01%	29	9.7:0	285.0	285.0	0.00%	0.00%
2019	287	5,255,860	18,313	4.68%	29	9.9:1	287.5	287.5	0.00%	0.00%
2018	287	5,020,834	17,494	1.32%	29	9.9:1	287.0	278.0	0.00%	97.00%
2017	287	4,955,468	17,266	2.76%	29	9.9:1	287.5	278.9	0.00%	97.18%
2016	286	4,805,263	16,802	-9.07%	31	9.3:1	287.5	279.4	8.17%	97.18%
2015	263	4,859,421	18,477	1.71%	32	8.2:1	264.0	256.0	0.38%	96.97%
2014	263	4,777,921	18,167	3.81%	30	8.8:1	263.0	255.1	-0.34%	97.00%

Sources: Charter School records.

Note: Enrollment based on annual final Charter School count.

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

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

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

Commercial General Liability Coverage

Named Insured: Pride Academy Charter School

Policy Term: 7/1/2022 to 7/1/2023

Coverage Form Used

[X] Occurrence Form [] Claims Made Form Retroactive Date:

Limits of Liability

	General Liability		
	Per Occurrence Limit	\$	16,000,000
	Fund Aggregate		
	Employee Benefits Liability Limit	\$16,000,000 per occurrence/annual aggregate	
	Deductible	\$1,000 each claim	
	School Leaders Professional Liability	Coverage A	Coverage B
	Per Occurrence		\$100,000
*Claims-Made From Retro Date: 7/1/1986	Aggregate	\$16,000,000	\$300,000
	Deductible	\$5,000 each claim	\$5,000 each claim
	Sexual Abuse and Molestation	\$16,000,000 per occurrence	
	Fund Aggregate	\$17,000,000 annual NJSIG aggregate	
	Boiler Machinery	\$7,648,877 (\$1,000 deductible)	
	Employee Dishonesty	\$250,000 (\$1,000 deductible)	
	Money and Securities	\$50,000 (\$500 deductible)	
*Claims-Made From Retro Date: At Inception	Environmental Impairment Liability	\$1,000,000 each incident;\$2,000,000 aggregate	
	Fund Aggregate	\$11,000,000 (\$50,000 deductible)	
	Critical Incident Management	\$1,000,000	
	School Leaders Professional	Duplicate request (see above)	
	Deductible		

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
 Charter School Performance Framework Financial Indicators
 Fiscal Ratios
 Last Three Fiscal Years

	2021	2022	2023	Source
	Audit	Audit	Audit	
Cash	\$ 1,351,075	\$ 2,003,642	\$ 2,499,275	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Current Assets (Includes CASH)	1,650,667	2,722,147	3,458,554	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total Assets	1,707,030	2,778,510	3,565,832	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Current Liabilities	571,191	1,459,836	1,391,134	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total liabilities	1,488,695	2,291,730	2,273,137	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Net Assets	164,350	407,954	1,313,234	Audit: Exhibit A-1
Total Revenue	6,278,618	7,172,785	7,711,622	Audit: Exhibit A-2
Total Expenses	6,390,361	6,929,181	6,806,342	Audit: Exhibit A-2
Change in Net Assets	(111,743)	243,604	905,280	Audit: Exhibit A-2
Depreciation Expense	-	-	11,262	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Interest Expense	-	-	-	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Principal Payments	-	-	-	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Interest Payments	-	-	-	Financial Statements/Audit Workpapers
Final Average Daily Enrollment	299.7	299.8	299.8	DOE Enrollment Reports
March 30th Budgeted Enrollment	300	299	299	Charter School Budget

Changes

RATIOS ANALYSIS...						Changes	
Near Term Indicators		2021	2022	2023	3 Yr CUM	Source:	Target
1a.	Current Ratio	2.89	1.86	2.49		Current Assets/Current Liabilities	>1.1
1b.	Unrestricted Days Cash	77.17	105.54	134.02		Cash/(Total Expenses/365)	30-60
1c.	Enrollment Variance	0%	0%	0%		Average Daily Enrollment/Budgeted Enrollment	>95%
1d.*	Default	None	None	None		Audit	not in default
Sustainability Indicators							
2a.	Total Margin	0.000%	3.39%	11.74%	-3%	Change in Net Assets/Total Revenue	positive
2b.	Debt to Asset	0.87	0.82	0.64		Total Liabilities/Total Assets	<9
2c.**	Cash Flow	478,068	652,567	495,633		Net change in cash flow from prior years	3 yr cum positive
2d.	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	N/A	N/A	N/A		(Change in Net Assets+Depreciation+Interest Expense)/(Principal & Interest Payments)	>1.10

* Is school in default of loan covenant(s) and/or is delinquent with debt service payments? Yes or No

** 2023 = 2023 Cash - 2022 Cash

Refer questions to charterfinance@doe.state.nj.us

SINGLE AUDIT SECTION



**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN
AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
"GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS"**

Honorable President and
Members of the Board of Trustees
Pride Academy Charter School
County of Essex
East Orange, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and in compliance with audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Pride Academy Charter School (Charter School), in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Charter School's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated January 10, 2024.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

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

Reporting on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Charter School's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matter that are required to be reported under audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey.

We also noted other matters that we reported to the Board of Trustees of the Pride Academy Charter School in a separate report entitled, Auditor's Management Report on Administrative Findings dated January 10, 2024.

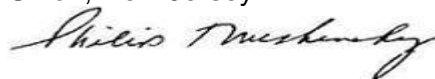
Purpose of this Report

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 the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, Pride Academy Charter School Board of Trustees, the New Jersey State Department of Education and other state 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,

Meshinsky & Associates, LLC CPA's
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January 10, 2024



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND
ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE
AND NEW JERSEY OMB CIRCULAR 15-08**

Honorable President and Members
of the Board of Trustees Pride
Academy Charter School
County of Essex
East Orange, New Jersey

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program
Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program**

We have audited Pride Academy Charter School's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement and the New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08 that could have a direct and material effect on each of Pride Academy Charter School's major federal and state programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. Pride Academy Charter School's major federal and state programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Golden Door Charter School complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal and state programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and the New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08. Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of Golden Door Charter School and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Pride Academy Charter School's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to Pride Academy Charter School's federal and state programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on Pride Academy Charter School's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, the Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08 will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Pride Academy Charter School's compliance with the requirements of each major federal and state programs as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance, and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding Pride Academy Charter School's, compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of Pride Academy Charter School's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Pride Academy Charter School's, internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance (continued)

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Meshinsky & Associates, LLC CPA's
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Licensed Public-School Accountant
No. CS00233400
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January 10, 2024

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Grant or State Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period		Balance at June 30, 2022	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Balance at June 30, 2023	
				From	To				Accounts Receivable	Unearned Revenue
U.S. Department of Education										
Passed through State Department of Education										
Special Revenue Fund:										
<u>ESEA Consolidated</u>										
Title 1-A	84.010	ESEA-6020-23	\$ 168,952	7/1/22	6/30/23	\$ -	\$ 168,952	\$ 168,952	\$ -	\$ -
Title II-A	84.367A	ESEA-6020-23	18,186	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	18,186	18,186	-	-
Title IV-A	84.424A	ESEA-6020-23	12,270	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	12,270	12,270	-	-
ESEA Consolidated						-	199,408	199,408	-	-
<u>Individuals with Disabilities Cluster</u>										
I.D.E.A. Consolidated-Basic	84.027A	ESEA-6020-23	80,641	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	80,641	80,641	-	-
<u>Education Stabilization Fund</u>										
CRRSA - ESSER II	84.425D	ESEA-6020-23	523,352	7/1/22	6/30/23	\$ -	\$ 451,235	\$ 61,006	\$ -	\$ 390,229
CR Mental Health	84.425D	ESEA-6020-23	45,000	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	6,449	6,449	-	-
Cares Act	84.425D	ESEA-6020-23	134,817	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	112,622	112,622	-	-
Education Stabilization Fund						-	570,306	180,077	-	390,229
Total Special Revenue Fund						-	850,355	460,126	-	390,229
Total Federal Financial Award.						\$ -	\$ 850,355	\$ 460,126	\$ -	\$ 390,229

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

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

State Grantor/Program Title	Grant or State Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period		Balance at June 30, 2022			Balance at June 30, 2023			MEMO
			From	To	Unearned Revenue (Accounts Receivable)	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Accounts Receivable	Unearned Revenue/ Interfund Payable	Budgetary Receivable	
State Department of Education											
General Fund:											
<i>State Aid- Public Cluster</i>											
Equalization Aid- State Share	22-495-034-5120-078	\$ 3,649,471	7/1/21	6/30/22	\$ (41,560)	\$ 41,560	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
Equalization Aid- State Share	23-495-034-5120-078	4,107,493	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	3,928,450	(4,107,493)	(179,043)	-	-	4,107,493
Special Education Categorical Aid	23-495-034-5120-089	226,727	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	226,727	(226,727)	-	-	-	226,727
Security Aid	23-495-034-5120-084	154,977	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	154,977	(154,977)	-	-	-	154,977
Total State Aid- Public Cluster					(41,560)	4,351,714	(4,489,197)	(179,043)	-	-	4,489,197
On- Behalf TPAF Pension Contributions	23-495-034-5094-002	773,649	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	773,649	(773,649)	-	-	-	773,649
Reimburse TPAF - Social Security	23-495-034-5094-003	176,221	7/1/21	6/30/22	(8,390)	8,390	-	-	-	-	-
Reimburse TPAF - Social Security	23-495-034-5094-003	183,569	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	156,056	(183,569)	(27,513)	-	-	183,569
On- Behalf TPAF Post Retirement Medical	23-495-034-5094-001	203,714	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	203,714	(203,714)	-	-	-	203,714
Total General Fund					(8,390)	1,141,809	(1,160,932)	(27,513)	-	-	1,160,932
Total All Funds					(49,950)	5,493,523	(5,650,129)	(206,556)	-	-	5,650,129
State Financial Assistance Not Subject to Major Program Determination:											
General Funds:											
On- Behalf TPAF Pension Contributions	23-495-034-5094-002	-	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	(773,649)	773,649	-	-	-	(773,649)
On- Behalf TPAF Post Retirement Medical	23-495-034-5094-001	-	7/1/22	6/30/23	-	(203,714)	203,714	-	-	-	(203,714)
Total General Fund					-	(977,363)	977,363	-	-	-	(977,363)
Total State Financial Assistance					\$ (49,950)	\$ 4,516,160	\$ (4,672,766)	\$ (206,556)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,672,766

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

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance
June 30, 2023

NOTE 1. GENERAL

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

NOTE 2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of awards and financial assistance are presented on the budgetary basis of accounting with the exception of programs recorded in the food service fund, which are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. These bases of accounting are described in Note 1 to the board's basic financial statements. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of 2 (CFR) Part 200 -Uniform Guidance Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and the audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey; New Jersey Circular 15-08 OMB, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the presentation of, the basic financial statements. This does not apply to charter schools as districts are not permitted to defer the June payments to charter schools.

NOTE 3. RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

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June 30, 2023

NOTE 3. RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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

	Federal	State	Total
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 5,650,129	\$ 5,650,129
Special Revenue Fund	460,126	-	460,126
Food Service Fund	183,330	5,126	188,456
Total Awards & Financial Assistance	\$ 643,456	\$ 5,655,255	\$ 6,298,711

NOTE 4. RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL 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

Pride Academy Charter School has no loan balances outstanding at June 30, 2023.

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, 2023. TPAF Social Security Contributions represents the amount reimbursed by the state for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members for the year ended June 30, 2023.

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

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

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Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance
June 30, 2023

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

<u>Program</u>	<u>Total</u>
ESEA Consolidated Title I	<u>\$ 168,952</u>

NOTE 8. SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAM FUNDS

Schoolwide programs are not separate federal programs as defined in Uniform Guidance; amounts used in schoolwide programs are included in the total expenditures of the program contributing the funds in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. There are no funds by program included in schoolwide programs in the charter school.

NOTE 9. INDIRECT COST RATE

The Charter School has elected not to use the 10-Percent De-Minimis Cost Rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Section I – Summary of Auditor’s Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditors’ report issued on financial statements Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

1) Material weakness(es) identified? ___ Yes X No

2) Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? ___ Yes X None Reported

Noncompliance material to basic financial statements noted? ___ Yes X No

Federal Awards

N/A

Internal Control over major programs:

1) Material weakness (es) identified? ___ Yes ___ No

2) Significant deficiencies identified? ___ Yes ___ None Reported

Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for major programs: **N/A**

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200 section .516(a)? ___ Yes ___ No

Identification of major programs:

CFDA Number(s) FAIN Number(s) Name of Federal Program or Cluster

N/A

Dollar threshold used to distinguish type A or type B Programs: **N/A**

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? ___ Yes ___ No

State Awards

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

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? Yes No

Internal control over major programs:

1) Material weakness(es) identified? Yes No

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

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

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with NJ Circular 15-08-OMB? Yes No

Identification of major state programs:

GMIS Number(s)	Name of State Program
23-495-034-5120-078	EQUALIZATION AID
23-495-034-5120-089	SPECIAL EDUCATION CATEGORICAL AID
23-495-034-5120-084	SECURITY AID

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, fraud, illegal acts, violations of provisions of contracts and grant agreements, and abuse related to the financial statements for which *Government Auditing Standards* requires reporting in a NJ Circular 15-08-OMB. See paragraphs 13.15 and 13.35.

Finding

There were no matters reported.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

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

This section identifies audit findings required to be reported by audit requirements for federal awards and NJ Circular 15-08-OMB, as applicable.

FEDERAL AWARDS

N/A

STATE AWARDS

Findings

There were no matters reported.

PRIDE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings
And Questioned Costs As Prepared by Management
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

This section identifies the status of prior-year findings related to the basic financial statements and federal and state awards that are required to be reported in accordance with Chapter 6.12 of *Government Auditing Standards*, NJ Circular 04-04-OMB or 15-08-OMB as applicable.

Findings

There were no matters reported.