

# PRINCIPLE ACADEMY C H A R T E R

A Polymath Managed School



# ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

PREPARED BY PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

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December 17, 2023

The Honorable Angelica Allen-McMillan, Acting Commissioner New Jersey Department of Education Riverview Executive Plaza – Bldg. 100 P. O. Box 500 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0500

Dear Acting Commissioner Allen-McMillan:

We hereby submit the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the Principle Academy Charter School (the "Charter School" or "PACS") for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the management of the Charter School. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the data presented in this report is accurate in all material respects and are reported in a manner designed to fairly present the financial position and result 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.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) requires that management provide a narrative introduction overview and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The Charter School's MD&A can be found immediately following the Independent Auditor's Report.

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The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report is presented in four sections: introductory, financial, statistical and single audit. The introductory section includes this transmittal letter, the Charter School's organizational chart and a list of principal officials. The financial section includes the independent auditor's report, management's discussion and analysis (MD&S) and the basic financial statements including the Charter School-wide financial statements presented in conformity with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34. The basic financial statements also include individual fund financial statements and required supplemental information (RSI). The statistical section includes selected financial and demographic information, generally presented on a multi-year basis.

The Charter School is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the provisions of the *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 New Jersey OMB's Circular 15-08, "Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants, and State Aid. Information related to this single audit, including the auditor's report on internal control and compliance with applicable laws and regulations and findings and recommendations are included in the single audit section of this report.

#### **Charter School Organization**

The Board of Trustees (the "Board") is comprised of four voting members. The voting members are elected to oversee that the Charter School operates in compliance with statute and administrative code. Voting members of the Board serve as the official governing body of the school charged with policy making, fiscal oversight, and accountability for student academic achievement results of the Charter School. Voting members adopt the annual budget and directly approve all expenditures which serve as the basis for control for the authorization of all expenditures of Charter School tax money which in turn support the Charter School's business to promote academic achievement. Non-voting members include the Charter School's Chief School Administrator, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and Board Attorney.

The Principal and Head of School of the Charter School is responsible to the Board for the implementation and administration of all educational and support operations. The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary 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.

#### 1) Reporting Entity and Its Services

The Principle Academy Charter School (the "Charter School") is an independent reporting entity within the criteria adopted by the Government Auditing Standards Board (GASB) as established by GASB Statement No. 14. All funds and account groups of the Charter School are included in this report. The Charter School's Board of Trustees, constitutes the Charter School's reporting entity.

The mission of the Principle Academy Charter School is to show mastery of a standards driven, international, college preparatory curriculum, delivered through proven, research based instruction. Students will develop positive values and social behaviors through a nurturing school climate and student culture activities. We will accomplish this mission by providing any child who enrolls in our school regardless of his or her background, socioeconomic status, prior academic experience, or other factors with a college-preparatory public education in a student-centered setting that emphasizes community, civic responsibility, and personal development as well as academic rigor.

The Charter School is a K-6 charter school located in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey. It was created on October 15, 2014 and subsequently received approval of its New Jersey Charter Schools Application by the State of New Jersey, Department of Education. The Charter School was originally named International Academy of Atlantic City Charter School, but received approval in September 2018 to amend their charter agreement and change the school's name to Principle Academy Charter School. As a charter school, the Principle Academy Charter School functions independently through a Board of Trustees (the "Board"). In accordance with the amended bylaws of the Charter School, the Board is to consist of no less than three and no more than five individuals. The number of ex-officio members shall be no more than four members including the school principal. Ex-officio members do not have a right to vote. The Board's responsibility is to supervise and control the operations of the Charter School. The purpose of the Charter School is to educate students in grades Kindergarten through Sixth at its elementary school. The Charter School completed the 2022-2023 school year with an enrollment of 465 students.

#### 2) <u>Economic Condition and Outlook</u>

The Charter School is located in Egg Harbor Township in the County of Atlantic of New Jersey. As of the 2020 United States census, the township's population was 47,842, its highest decennial count ever and an increase of 4,519 (+10.4%) from the 2010 census count of 43,323 which in turn reflected an increase of 12,597 (+41.0%) from the 30,726 counted in the 2000 census.

The median income for a household in the township was \$52,550, and the median income for a family was \$60,032.

Egg Harbor Township (along with Hamilton and Galloway Townships) were designated as Regional Growth Areas" by the New Jersey Pinelands Commission resulting in increased residential development. In exchange for the development in Egg Harbor Township, no trees are demolished for housing and other buildings in the Pine Barrens also known as the Pinelands. The "Regional Growth Area" designation was, and remains, tantamount to a state mandate to construct +/- 30,000 additional housing units in Egg Harbor Township.

The Egg Harbor Township Schools serve public school students in pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade. As of the 2018–19 school year, the district, comprised of seven schools, had an enrollment of 7,432 students.

The township is traversed by several major roadways. The Atlantic City Expressway runs through the township.

Continued growth and opportunity are the future of Egg Harbor Township.

### 3) <u>Major Initiatives</u>

In the 2022-2023 school year, in addition to undertaking all regular operations and programming, PACS worked on the following major initiatives:

#### ☐ Standards-Driven Curriculum with Clear Student Learning Objectives (SLOs):

Our school will implement standards-driven curriculum that contains clearly defined student learning objectives aligned to the NJ Performance Framework at both the grade level and content level. Our curriculum will be aligned with the Common Core State Standards and the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards (CCCS), as well as with International standards. Our curriculum will not only ensure students are prepared for

#### ☐ Clear goals, high expectations, and strong accountability for performance:

Our staff, students, and parents will know and support our goals and our expectations. Stakeholders across all levels of the school will be held accountable for high student performance—from the school director to the classroom teacher and all other staff in between.

#### ☐ Effective Assessment & Intervention Strategies:

At our school, weekly assessment will be a key factor to improving student performance. Our assessments will drive classroom instruction, professional development, intervention, and enrichment. We will utilize various intervention strategies such as teacher tutoring and peer tutoring through student prefects, etc.

#### ☐ Research-based Effective Instructional Methods:

Teachers at our school will implement research-based, instructional methods. Teachers will receive extensive, job embedded professional development concerning instructional delivery and class management techniques.

#### ☐ Intentional Use of Time:

Our school will maximize every minute within our school day. We understand that the efficient use of time is an extremely important driver of school success. Accordingly, we have created a school schedule that is very intentional and focuses heavily on ensuring students are proficient in reading and math in the lower grades. Students will have seven to ten periods of both English language arts and math each week in addition to other subjects.

#### 3) <u>Major Initiatives</u> - continued

#### ☐ Student Life Organization:

Our school will have a student life organization, which will be an integral part of our educational model and an important part of every school day. Emphasizing the acquisition of "life skills" through real-life experiences.

#### **☐** Home-to-school links:

We will encourage meaningful parent/guardian involvement and establish strong partnerships with a wide range of agencies that provide social, emotional, educational, and practical support for students.

#### 4) <u>Internal Accounting Controls</u>

Management of the Charter School is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control designed to ensure 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 system of internal control is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived; and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

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

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

#### 5) **Budgetary Controls**

In addition to internal accounting controls, the Charter School maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with the statutory requirements of charter school budgets. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for general and special revenue funds. 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. No reservation of fund balance was made at June 30, 2023.

During the 2022-2023 fiscal school, the Charter School continued its efforts to improve its audit status and operational processes and procedures, correcting deficiencies identified in previous audits and reviews and on maintaining general compliance with sound fiscal practices.

#### 6) Accounting System and Report

The Charter School's accounting records reflect generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The accounting records also reflect New Jersey State Statute (N.J.S.A 18:4-14) that requires a uniform system of double-entry bookkeeping consistent with the GAAP established by GASB for us in all school districts and charter school.

The accounting system is organized on the basis of funds in accordance with the Uniform Charter of Accounts (Handbook 2R2) for New Jersey Public Schools. These funds are explained in "Notes to the Financial Statements", Note 1.

#### 7) Financial Statement Information at Fiscal Year-End

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 schedule presents a summary of the General Fund, and Special revenue funds for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 fiscal year:

**Summary of the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund Revenues** 

		Increase/							
Revenue	2023		2022	(	decrease)	% Change			
Local sources	\$ 3,083,928	\$	3,064,371	\$	19,557	0.64%			
State sources	6,900,195		5,836,414		1,063,781	18.23%			
Federal sources	1,148,612		1,197,151		(48,539)	-4.05%			
	\$ 11,132,735	\$	10,097,936	\$	1,034,799	10.25%			

The Charter School experienced a general increase in revenue of 10.25%. The significant increase was due to significant COVID-19 related revenue earned during 2022-2023.

The following schedule presents a summary of general fund and special revenue expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023:

Summary of the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund Expenditures

			]	Increase/	
<b>Expenditures</b>	2023	2022	(	decrease)	% Change
Instruction	\$ 4,799,987	\$ 4,096,246	\$	703,741	17.18%
Administrative	3,067,325	3,272,897		(205,572)	-6.28%
Support	2,877,573	1,623,237		1,254,336	77.27%
Capital outlay	119,095	212,074		(92,979)	-43.84%
	\$ 10,863,980	\$ 9,204,454	\$	1,659,526	18.03%

The Charter School experienced an increase in expenditures of 18.03% due to significant increase in COVID-19 related expenditures in 2022-2023.

#### 8) <u>Cash Management</u>

The investment policy of the Charter School is guided in large part by state statute as detailed in "Notes to the Financial Statements". The Charter School has adopted a cash management plan, which requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provision of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect Governmental Units from loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. The law requires governmental units to deposit public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey, where the funds are secured in accordance with the Act.

### 9) Risk Management

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

#### 10) Other Information

#### **Independent Audit**

State statute requires an annual audit by independent Certified Public Accountants or registered Municipal Accountants. The Charter School appointed the accounting firm of Olugbenga Olabintan, CPA.

In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in state statutes, the audit also was designed to meet the requirements of *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and New Jersey OMB Circular Letter 15-08 "Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants, and State Aid".

The auditor's report on the basic financial statements is included in the financial section of this report. The auditor's reports related specifically to the single audit are included in the single audit section of this report.

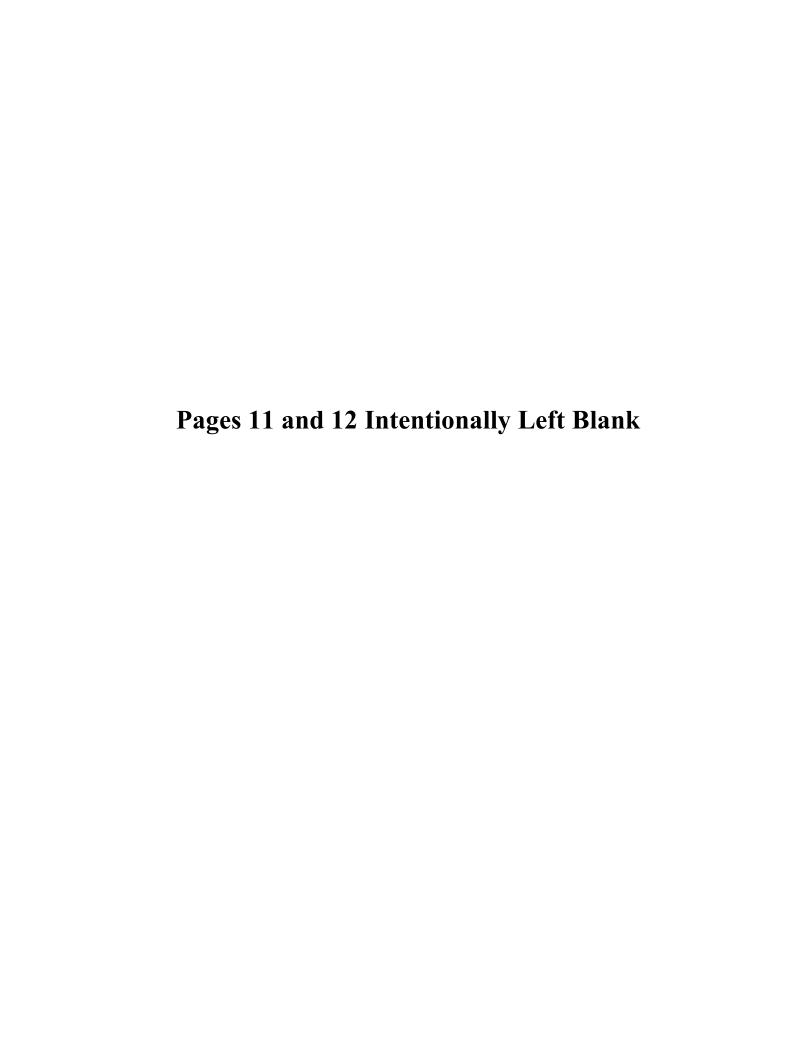
#### 11) Acknowledgments

A note of appreciation is extended to the Board Finance Committee of the Charter School for their ongoing support and commitment to fiscal integrity and to the Charter School's Board of Trustees for their selfless dedication to improving student achievement.

A special note of appreciation is extended to the Business Office and to all of the business operations staff members for their untiring efforts to improve processes, procedures and audit outcomes. Their contributions in support of the students and staff of the Charter School are truly noteworthy. The preparation of this report could not have been accomplished without the efficient and dedicated services of our financial, accounting and administrative staff.

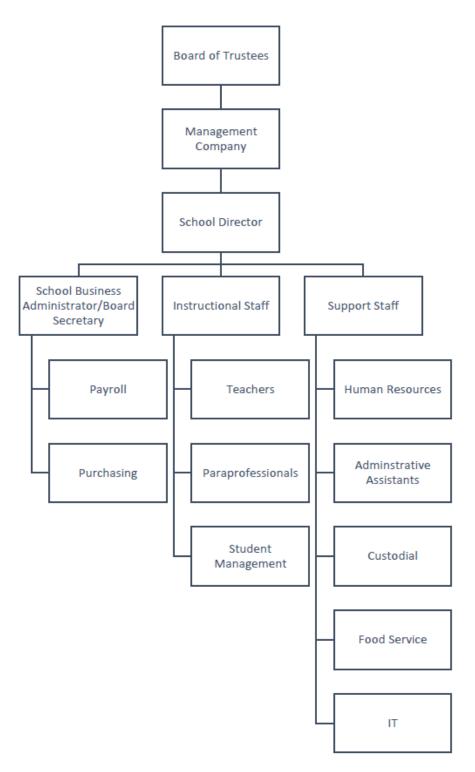
Respectfully submitted,

Michael Falkowski School Business Administrator



#### **ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**

**JUNE 30, 2023** 



# ROSTER OF TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

# June 30, 2023

# **Members of Board of Trustees**

	Term
Dirk DaCosta, President	6/30/26
Jeanne Eisele, Member	6/30/24
Gary Hill, Member	6/30/24
Dr. Albert Monillas, Member	6/30/24

# **Administration**

Alvaro Cores, Chief School Administrator

Michael Falkowski, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

#### **Consultants and Advisors**

# **Independent Auditors**

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# Olugbenga Olabintan

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Principle Academy Charter School Egg Harbor, New Jersey County of Atlantic

#### **Report on the Audit of Financial Statements**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Board of Trustees of the Principle Academy Charter School, (the "Charter School") 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.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities of the Charter School as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in net position and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit 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 prescribed by the *Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey*. 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 the 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 the 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 misstatements, 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 the 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 opinion. 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 (GAAS), Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, 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, Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, we:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 the Charter School, Inc.'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 the Charter School, Inc.'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.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, pension information and other postemployment benefits information 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 and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Charter School's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards as required by 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 schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance as required by New Jersey 0MB Circular 15-08, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Charter School Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate 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, schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the introductory section, financial schedules and statistical section 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 I 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 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 December 5, 2024 on our consideration of the 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 Charter School's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Olugbenga Olabintan, CPA

December 17, 2023 Newark, New Jersey

OLUGBENGA OLABINTAN Certified Public Accountant/Consultant

Olugbenga Olabintan, CPA Licensed Public School Accountant No. 20CS00230200

# **Required Supplementary Information**

#### Part I

# Management's Discussion and Analysis

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) provides an analysis of the Charter School's overall financial position and results of operations.

## Management's Discussion and Analysis Year Ended June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

#### Introduction

This section of the Principle Academy Charter School's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the Charter School's financial performance and provides an overview of the Charter School's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. It should be read in conjunction with the transmittal letter at the front of this report and the Charter School's financial statements, which follow this section.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is an element of Required Supplementary Information specified in the Governmental Accounting Standard Board's (GASB) Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statement – and Management's Discussion and Analysis- for State and Local Governments. Certain comparative information between the current fiscal year and the prior fiscal year is required to be presented in the MD&A.

#### **Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2023 are as follows:

- Net position of governmental activities ended the fiscal year with \$556,956. Net position of business-type activities, which represent food service operations/after care and summer instructional programs, ended the fiscal year with \$37,618.
- General revenues accounted for \$9,913,004 in revenue or 86 percent of total revenues of \$11,519,515. Program specific revenues, in the form of charges for services, grants, and contributions accounted for \$1,606,511 or 14 percent of total revenues.
- The Charter School had \$10,955,568 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$1,219,731 of these expenses is offset by operating grants and contributions. General revenues (primarily state aid) of \$9,913,004 helped to provide for the balance of these programs.
- The General Fund reported fund surplus at June 30, 2023, of \$1,876,597.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis Year Ended June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

#### **Using the Basic Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of a series of basic financial statements, required supplementary information, other supplementary information and notes to those statements and information.

The report is organized so the reader can understand the Principle Academy Charter School as a financial whole, or as an entire operating entity. The first two basic financial Statements, the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, are governmental-wide financial statements and provide overall information about the activities of the entire Charter School, presenting both an aggregate view of the Charter School's finances and a long-term view of those finances. The remaining basic financial statements are fund financial statements that focus on the individual parts of the government, reporting the Charter School's operation in more detail than the government-wide statements. The fund financial statements also look at the Charter School's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in a single column. For the Principle Academy Charter School, the General Fund is the most significant fund.

The governmental funds statements tell how general government services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.

Proprietary fund statements offer short and long-term financial information about the activities, the government operates like a business, such as food service.

Fiduciary fund statements provide information about financial relationship in which the Charter School acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefits of others, to whom the resources in question belong.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of Required Supplementary Information that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements.

#### Reporting the Charter School as a Whole

#### **Statement of Net Position and Statements of Activities**

While this report contains the fund 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 asks the question, "how did we do financially during fiscal year 2023?" The statements of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These Statements include all the Charter School's assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting system used by most private sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash was received or paid.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis Year Ended June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

#### Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities-continued

These two statements report the Charter School's net position and changes in those assets. This change in net position is important because it identifies whether the financial position of the Charter School has improved or diminished for the Charter School as a whole. The cause of this change may be the result of many factors some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the property tax base of the School District where the Charter School is located, current educational funding laws in New Jersey, facilities conditions, required educational programs, and other factors. In the Statements of Net Position and the Statements of Activities, the Charter School is divided into two distinct kinds of activities:

**Governmental Activities** – Most of the Charter School's programs and services are reported here including instructions, extracurricular activities, curriculum, staff development, special education and other support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, health services and general administration.

**Business-Type Activity** – Services are provided on a charge for goods or services or reimbursement basis to recover the expenses of the goods or services provided. The food service operation 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 major funds-not the Charter School as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the Charter School uses to keep track of a multitude of financial transactions. The Charter School's only major governmental fund is the General Fund.

#### **Governmental Funds**

Most of the Charter School's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how monies flow into and out of those funds and the balances left at fiscal year-end for spending in future periods. 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 statement provides a detailed short-term view of the Charter School's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or less 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 the governmental funds are reconciled in the financial statements.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis Year Ended June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

#### **Enterprise Fund**

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

#### The Charter School as a Whole

The perspective of the Statement of Net Position is of the Charter School as a whole. Net position may serve over time as useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the Charter School, assets exceeded liabilities by \$594,574 at the close of 2023. The following table provides a summary of net position relating to the Charter School's governmental and business type activities:

	Governmental Activities						sines 'ype tiviti		Total				
		2023		2022		2023		2022		2023		2022	
Assets													
Current assets	\$	1,866,598	\$	1,739,627	\$	37,618	\$	40,352	\$	1,904,216	\$	1,779,979	
Capital assets, net		346,826		286,203		-		-		346,826		286,203	
Right-of-use assets, net		561,136		1,122,271						561,136		1,122,271	
Deferred outflows of resources		1,285,997		905,547		-		-		1,285,997		905,547	
Total Assets		4,060,557		4,053,648		37,618		40,352		4,098,175		4,094,000	
Liabilities													
Current liabilities		759,596		127,691		_		2,998		759,596		130,689	
Long term liabilites		2,373,492		2,734,963		_		-		2,373,492		2,734,963	
Deferred inflows of resources		370,513		811,205		_		-		370,513		811,205	
Total Liabilities		3,503,601		3,673,859		-		2,998		3,503,601		3,676,857	
Net position													
Invested in													
Capital assets						_		-					
(net of related debt)		346,826		273,787		_		-		346,826		273,787	
Restricted - student activity		4,093		4,093		_		-		4,093		4,093	
Invested in Right-of-use assets		(149,622)		(249,561)		_		-		(149,622)		(249,561)	
Unrestricted		355,659		351,470		37,618		37,354		393,277		388,824	
Total net position	\$	556,956	\$	379,789	\$	37,618	\$	37,354	\$	594,574	\$	417,143	

# Management's Discussion and Analysis Year Ended June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

The largest portion of the Charter School's net position is its current assets. The Charter School uses these current assets to provide services.

The total net position of the Charter School increased by \$177,431 during the current fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The majority of the increase is attributable to an increase of \$177,167 in the Governmental Activities net position.

The table that follows reflects the change in net position for fiscal year 2023.

		ernmental	Ty	iness ype	Total				
	2023	Activities 2023 2022		vities 2022	2023	2022			
Revenues									
Program revenues:									
Charge for services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,086	\$ -	\$ 28,086	\$ -			
Operating grants			_	_	-	-			
and contributions	1,219,731	2,840,064	358,694	378,410	1,578,425	3,218,474			
Total program revenues	1,219,731	2,840,064	386,780	378,410	1,606,511	3,218,474			
General revenues:									
Local aid	3,041,348	3,057,831	-	-	3,041,348	3,057,831			
Federal and state aid	6,829,076	4,717,707	-	-	6,829,076	4,717,707			
Miscellaneous	42,580	6,540	-	3,440	42,580	9,980			
Transfers	-	(99,670)	-	99,670	-	-			
Total general revenues	9,913,004	7,682,408	-	103,110	9,913,004	7,785,518			
Total revenues	11,132,735	10,522,472	386,780	481,520	11,519,515	11,003,992			
Expenses:									
Instructions	4,799,987	5,950,727	-	-	4,799,987	5,950,727			
Administrative &					-	-			
support services	5,535,975	3,817,753	-	-	5,535,975	3,817,753			
Capital outlay	-	212,074			-	212,074			
Unallocated depreciation	58,471	12,752	-	_	58,471	12,752			
Unallocated amortization	561,135	499,411			561,135	499,411			
Food service	-	-	362,516	439,759	362,516	439,759			
After care			24,000	12,233	24,000	12,233			
Total expenses	10,955,568	10,492,717	386,516	451,992	11,342,084	10,944,709			
Change in net position	\$ 177,167	\$ 29,755	\$ 264	\$ 29,528	\$ 177,431	\$ 59,283			

#### **Governmental Activities**

The Statement of Activities reflects the cost of program services and the charges for services and operating grants and contributions offsetting those services. The table below, for government activities, indicates the total cost of services and the net cost of services. It identifies the cost of these services supported by unrestricted state entitlements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

## Management's Discussion and Analysis Year Ended June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

#### **Governmental Activities** - continued

	To	otal Cost of Services	N	Net Cost of Services
Instruction	\$	4,799,987	\$	4,052,526
Administrative & support services		5,535,975		5,147,224
Capital outlay		-		(83,519)
Unallocated depreciation and amortization		619,606		619,606
Total expenses	\$	10,955,568	\$	9,735,837

#### Business-Type Activity

The business-type activity of the Charter School consists of the food service operation and the after-care program. The programs had revenues of \$386,780, operating expenses of \$386,516 and a current year surplus of \$264 for fiscal year 2023. The current year's accumulated fund balance was \$37,618. The Charter School intended to have the food services and the after-care program be self-operating without assistance from the General Fund.

#### The Charter School's Funds

The Charter School's governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All governmental funds had revenues of \$11,132,735 and expenditures of \$10,863,980, with a positive change in fund balance of \$268,755. The positive change in fund balance was due to significant increase in federal grants.

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.

During the course of fiscal 2023, the Charter School amended its General Fund budget as needed. The Charter School uses state-aid and other revenue-based budget. The budgeting systems are designed to tightly control total budget, but provide flexibility for Charter School's management team.

For the General Fund, final budgeted revenues were \$8,668,440, which included a local tax levy of \$3,041,348. Expenditures and other financing uses were budgeted at \$9,141,162. The Charter School anticipated budgeted fund balance of \$1,135,120 in its 2022-2023 budget year. Actual revenues and other financing sources were \$9,913,004 and expenditures were \$9,644,249, respectively.

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The State of New Jersey reimbursed the Charter School \$177,803 during the year ended June 30, 2023 for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members. The State also paid \$1,024,181 into the TPAF pension representing on-behalf employer's portion of the Pension System Contributions, Post-Retirement Medical Benefits Contributions and Long-Term Disability Insurance Premium Contributions. These unbudgeted amounts were included in both revenues and expenditures.

#### **Capital Assets**

At the end of fiscal year 2023, the Charter School had \$346,826 invested in capital assets in its governmental activities.

The Charter School's 2023-2024 budget projects spending approximately \$100,000 for capital projects.

#### **Long-term Liabilities**

The Charter School had \$2,373,492 and \$1,294,630 at June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, in net pension liability regarding the Public Employees Retirement System. More detailed information about the Charter School's long term obligations is presented in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget**

The State of New Jersey and indeed the entire United States continue to face serious budgetary constraints and a result of the sharp downturn in the economy. These impact the amount of state and federal aids allocated to charter schools. This reality was taken into account when adopting the general fund budget for 2023-2024. Nothing was done to compromise the quality of the programs in place in our Charter School during the regular instructional day. The budget was prepared to ensure that all students have the textbooks, materials, supplies, equipment and programs they need to meet New Jersey's Core Curriculum Content Standards. The budget was adopted with a redirection of funds to maintain the quality of the regular school day.

Management's Discussion and Analysis Year Ended June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

#### **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 reflect the Charter School's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions about this report or additional financial information needs should be directed to:

#### PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

C/o School Business Office, LLC. 158 South Main Street Hightstown, New Jersey 08520 732-631-4009 **Basic Financial Statements** 

# **Government-wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements provide a financial overview of the Charter School's operations. These financial statements present the financial position and operating results of all governmental activities and business-type activities as of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2023.

#### **Statement of Net Position**

#### June 30, 2023

		vernmental Activities		siness-type Activities		Total
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,177,960	\$	1,799	\$	1,179,759
Restricted cash - escrow		-		-		-
Accounts receivable		530,305		180,291		710,596
Other current assets - security deposits (\$108,333) plus Polymath (\$50,000)		158,333		-		158,333
Interfund receivables		<del>-</del>		(144,472)		(144,472)
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation of \$345,532)		346,826		-		346,826
Right-of-use lease asset, net of accumulated anortization of \$3,273,291)		561,136		<del></del>		561,136
Total assets		2,774,560		37,618		2,812,178
Deferred outflows of resources						
Pension deferred outflows		1,285,997				1,285,997
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$	4,060,557	\$	37,618	\$	4,098,175
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$	62,795	\$	_	\$	62,795
Intergovermental payables - state and federal	*	46,864	•	_	-	46,864
Deferred revenue		-		-		-
Interfunds payables		(144,472)		-		(144,472)
Payroll deductions and withholdings payable		20,721		-		20,721
Compensated absences liabilities		62,930				62,930
Net pension liability		2,373,492		-		2,373,492
Lease liabilities		710,758		-		710,758
Total liabilities		3,133,088	-			3,133,088
Deferred inflows of resources						
Pension deferred inflows		370,513				370,513
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources		3,503,601		-		3,503,601
Net position						
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		346,826		-		346,826
Invested in right-of-use assets, net of related debt		(149,622)		-		(149,622)
Restricted - student activity		4,093		-		4,093
Unrestricted, undesignated		355,659		37,618		393,277
Total net position (Note 18)		556,956		37,618		594,574
Total liabilities, deferred inflows & net position	\$	4,060,557	\$	37,618	\$	4,098,175

See independent auditor's report and accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

#### **Statement of Activities**

# Year ended June 30, 2023

		Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position				
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services		Operating Grants and Contributions		Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities		T	otals
Governmental activities:										
Instruction:										
Regular	\$ 4,799,987	\$	-	\$	747,461	\$ (4,052,526)	\$	-	\$ (4	,052,526)
Administrative & support services:	-		-		-	-		-		-
General administration	2,658,402		-		-	(2,658,402)		-		,658,402)
Support services	2,877,573		-		388,751	(2,488,822)		-	(2	,488,822)
Capital outlay	-		-		83,519	83,519		-		83,519
Unallocated amortization of right-of-use assets	561,135				-	(561,135)			(	(561,135)
Unallocated depreciation	58,471		-		-	(58,471)		-		(58,471)
Total governmental activities	10,955,568		-		1,219,731	(9,735,837)		-	(9	,735,837)
<b>Business-type activities:</b>										
Food service	362,516		2,998		358,694	-	(	(824)		(824)
After care/summer programs	24,000		25,088		- -	-	1.	,088		1,088
Total business-type activities	386,516		28,086		358,694	-	-	264	-	264
Total primary government	\$ 11,342,084	\$	28,086	\$	1,578,425	(9,735,837)		264	(9	,735,573)
	General reven	nes, fi	ransfers and	snec	ial items:					
	Local sources			- P		3,041,348		_	3	,041,348
	State sources	_				6,829,076		_		,829,076
	Federal source	es				-		_		-
	Miscellaneou					42,580		_		42,580
	Total general revenues, transfers and special items				and special items	9,913,004		_	9	,913,004
		Change in net position			p	177,167		264		177,431
	Net position - l	oeginn	ing			379,789	37.	,354		417,143
	Net position - 6					\$ 556,956		,618	\$	594,574

**Funds Financial Statements** 

**Governmental Funds** 

# PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL Governmental Funds

#### **Balance Sheet**

June 30, 2023

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Totals Governmental Funds
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,173,867	\$ 4,093	\$ 1,177,960
Restricted cash in escrow Accounts receivable:	-		-
Accounts receivable: State	64,161	-	64,161
Federal	-	348,554	348,554
Other	117,590	-	117,590
Other current assets - security deposits plus Polymath (\$50,000) Interfund receivable	158,333 493,026	-	158,333 493,026
Total assets	\$ 2,006,977	\$ 352,647	\$ 2,359,624
Liabilities and Fund Balances Interfund payables	\$ -	\$ 348,554	\$ 348,554
Accounts payables	62,795	ψ 310,331 -	62,795
Intergovernmental payables - federal	· -	-	· -
Intergovernmental payables - state	-	-	-
Intergovernmental payables - other Payroll deductions and withholdings payable	46,864 20,721	-	46,864 20,721
Deferred revenue	20,721	_	20,721
Total liabilities	130,380	348,554	478,934
Fund balances:			-
Restricted - Student Activity:		4,093	4,093
Unreserved: Undesignated	1,876,597	_	1,876,597
Total fund balances	1,876,597	4,093	1,880,690
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 2,006,977	\$ 352,647	
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (A-1) are different because:			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds:			
Cost of capital assets	\$ 692,358		
Accumulated depreciation	(345,532)		246.026
Cost of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 346,826		346,826
Deferred Outflows related to pension contributions subsequent			
to the Net Pension Liablity measurement date and other deferred			
items are not current financial resources and therefore are not reported in the fund statements. (See Note 7)			1,285,997
(			-,,
Deferred Inflows related to pension actuarial gains from experience and differences in actual return and assumed returns and other			
deferred items are not reported as liabilities in the fund statements.			
(See Note 7)			(370,513)
Long town lightifies including Not Dension Lightifity, and not due			
Long-term liabilities, including Net Pension Liability, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as			
liabilities in the funds (see Note 7)			(2,373,492)
Compensated absences payable			(62,930)
Right-of-use assets used in governmental activities are not financial			
resources and therefore are not reported in the funds (see Note 4):			
Cost of right-of-use assets	\$ 3,772,702		
Accumulated amortization	(3,211,566) \$ 561,136		561,136
Cost of right-of-use assets, net of accumulated amortization	э 301,130		301,130
Lease liabilities used in governmental activities are not financial			
resources and therefore are not reported in the funds (see Note 5).			(710,758)
Net position of governmental activities - A-1			\$ 556,956

# PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL Governmental Funds

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Year ended June 30, 2023

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Total
Revenues:			
Local sources:			
Local tax levy	\$ 3,041,348	\$ -	\$ 3,041,348
Miscellaneous	42,580		42,580
Total revenues - local sources	3,083,928	-	3,083,928
Federal sources	-	1,148,612	1,148,612
State sources	5,627,092	71,119	5,698,211
Reimbursed TPAF-Social Security (non-budgeted)	177,803	-	177,803
TPAF pension and post retirement medical and long-term disability	-	-	-
premium benefits on-behalf payments (non-budgeted)	1,024,181		1,024,181
Total revenues	9,913,004	1,219,731	11,132,735
Current expense:	4.052.526	747.461	4 700 007
Instruction	4,052,526	747,461	4,799,987
Administrative	1,865,341	-	1,865,341
Support services	2,488,822	388,751	2,877,573
Capital outlay	35,576	83,519	119,095
Reimbursed and on-behalf payments:	177.002	-	177.002
Reimbursed TPAF-Social Security (non-budgeted)	177,803	-	177,803
TPAF pension and post retirement medical benefits on-behalf payments (non-budgeted)	1,024,181	-	1,024,181
Total expenditures	9,644,249	1,219,731	10,863,980
Excess (deficiency) of revenues			
over (under) expenditures before special item	268,755	-	268,755
Fund balances, beginning of year	1,607,842	4,093	1,611,935
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 1,876,597	\$ 4,093	\$ 1,880,690

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#### PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

#### Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures And Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities Year ended June 30, 2023

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds (B-2)	\$	268,755
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities (A-2) are different because:		
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation expenses in the period. Additionally, in the Statement of Activities gains or (losses) are recognized upon disposition.  Depreciation expense \$ Capital outlays	(58,471) 119,095	
•	·	60,624
Adoption of GASB 87 resulted in an increase in right-to-use lease assets offset by the current year amortization of the right-to-use assets, allocated over the term of the leases		
Amortization expense		(561,135)

Adoption of GASB 87 resulted in an increase in lease liabilities offset by the current year principal payments on lease liabilities. Principal payments on lease liabilities decrease liabilities in the statement of net position, but are included in the governmental funds as expenses

> 661,074 Principal payments

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Compensated absences

(6,845)

Pension contributions are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the contributions are adjusted for actuarial valuation adjustments, including service and interest costs, administravtive costs, investment returns, and experience/assumption. This is the amount by which net pension liability and deferred inflows/outflows related to pension changed during the period

(245,306)

#### Change in net position of governmental activities (A-2)

177,167

**Proprietary Funds** 

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# PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL Proprietary Funds

# **Statement of Net Position**

# June 30, 2023

Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,799
Accounts receivable:		_
Federal		176,309
State		3,982
Interfund receivable - general fund		(144,472)
Total current assets	\$	37,618
Noncurrent assets:		
Machinery and equipment		56,114
Less: accumulated depreciation		(56,114)
Total noncurrent assets	<u> </u>	-
Total assets	<u> </u>	37,618
Liabilities		
Current liabilities:		
Interfund payable - general fund	\$	-
Accounts payable		_
Total current liabilities	\$	-
Net position		
Unresricted		37,618
Total net position	\$	37,618

# PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL Proprietary Funds

# Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position

#### Year ended June 30, 2023

Operating revenues: Charges for services: Daily sales - reimbursable programs Daily sales - nonreimbursable programs Miscellaneous revenue	\$ - 25,088 2,998
Total operating revenues	28,086
Operating expenses:  Cost of sales - reimbursable programs Cost of sales - nonreimbursable programs Salaries Employee benefits Professional /technical service Supplies and materials	281,379 - 40,669 - 24,000 40,248
Depreciation	-
Miscellaneous	220
Total operating expenses	386,516
Operating income (loss)	(358,430)
Nonoperating revenues:	
State sources:	4.210
State School Breakfast Program	4,319
State School Lunch Program Federal sources:	3,652
National School Lunch Program	226,930
National School Breakfast Program	115,325
After School Snacks	4,295
Fresh Fruits & Vegetable Program	-
Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act (HHFKA)	4,173
Total nonoperating revenues	358,694
Net income/(loss) before contributions & transfers	264
Other financing sources:	
Transfer in/(out) - board contribution	
Change in net position	264
Total net position-beginning of year	37,354
Total net position-end of year	\$ 37,618

# PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL Proprietary Fund

#### **Statement of Cash Flows**

#### Year ended June 30, 2023

Cash flows from operating activities		
Operating loss	\$ (358,430)	
Adjustment to reconcile operating loss to net cash		
used in operating activities:		
Depreciation expense	-	
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(154,569)	
Due to/(from) general fund	156,104	
Accounts payable	-	
Net cash used in operating activities	(356,895)	
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities		
Cash received from state reimbursements	7,971	
Cash received from federal reimbursements	350,723	
Operating subsidies and transfers from other funds	-	
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	358,694	
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of kitchen equipment	_	
Net cash used in investing activities	 	
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Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	1,799	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	1,799	
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	\$ 3,598	

Fiduciary Funds Not Applicable **Notes to Basic Financial Statements** 

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# 1 Description of the Charter School and Reporting Entity

Principle Academy Charter School (the "Charter School" was incorporated in the State of New Jersey on October 15, 2014 as a non-for-profit corporation for the purpose of operating and maintaining a public school under a charter granted by the State of New Jersey, which promotes comprehensive educational reform by infusing innovation into the public education system. It is an instrumentality of the State of New Jersey, established to function as an education institution. The Charter School's Board of Trustees (the Board) is responsible for the fiscal control of the Charter School. A Chief Executive Officer is appointed by the Board and is responsible for the administrative control of the Charter School. Under the existing the statutes, the Charter School's duties and powers include, but not limited to the development and adoption of a school program; the establishment, organization and operation of schools; and the acquisition, maintenance and disposition of school property.

A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements of the Charter School are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Charter School. For the Charter School, this includes general operations, food service and student related activities of the Charter School.

The primary criterion for including activities within the Charter School's reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, is the degree of oversight responsibility maintained by the Charter School. 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 of the Charter School over which the Board exercises operating control. Based on the aforementioned criteria, the Charter School has no component units to be included in the reporting entity. Further, the Charter School is not includable in any other reporting entity on the basis of such criteria.

The Principle Academy Charter School Board of Trustees also has broad financial responsibilities, including the approval of the annual budget and the establishment of a system of accounting and budgetary controls.

Its mission is to establish a character school to serve as a neighborhood resource and as a model for other similar schools. The Principle 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.

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

This summary of significant accounting policies of Principle Academy Charter School is presented to assist in understanding the Charter School's financial statements and notes are a representation of the Charter School's management, who is responsible for their integrity and objectivity. These accounting policies conform to generally accepted accounting principles in the United States as applied to governmental units and have been consistently applied in the preparation of these financial statements.

The financial statements of the Principle Academy Charter School (the "Charter School") have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. GASB is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

The Charter School also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, to its governmental and business-type activities and to its enterprise fund unless they conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The most significant of the Charter School's accounting policies are described below:

#### **A** Basis of Presentation

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

#### **Charter School Government-wide Financial 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 Charter School, except for fiduciary funds.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental and business-type activities of the Charter School at year-end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the Charter School's governmental and business-type activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and are therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and 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 of the Charter School, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the Charter School.

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

The governmental activities generally are financed through federal and state awards, taxes and other non-exchange revenues. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

Fund financial statements of the Charter School are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be separate accounting entities. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditure/expenses. Funds are organized into three major categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the governmental and proprietary categories. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Charter School. The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) requires that all funds be reported as major, as it is considered important for public interest and to promote consistency among Charter Schools financial reporting in the State of New Jersey.

#### **B** Fund Accounting

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. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Charter School at a more detailed level.

#### **Governmental Funds**

Governmental funds are those funds through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. The following are the Charter Schools' major governmental funds:

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

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

As required by the New Jersey Department of Education, the Charter School included 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 ground, 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 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). The financial resources are derived from temporary notes or serial bonds that are specifically authorized by the voters as a separate question on the ballot either during the annual election or at a special election. As of June 30, 2023 there was no Capital Projects Fund.

#### **Proprietary Funds**

The focus of Proprietary Funds' measurement is upon determination of net income, changes in net position, financial position and cash flows. The generally accepted accounting principles applicable are those to similar to business in the private sector. The following is a description of the Proprietary Funds of the Charter School:

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

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

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

#### **Fiduciary Funds**

Fiduciary or trust and Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the Charter School in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds. This fund category includes:

**Trust Funds** - Expendable Trust Funds (unemployment compensation) are accounted for in essentially the same manner as the governmental funds. The unemployment compensation trust fund is used to account for contributions from employees and the employer (the Charter School) and interest earned on the balance as well as payments to the State for reimbursements of unemployment claims. **Agency Funds** – Agency funds (Payroll, Health Benefits and Student Activity Fund) are used to account for the assets that the Charter School holds on behalf of others as their agent. Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involved measurement of results of operations.

*GASB Statement No 84 Fiduciary Activities* – As of the year ended June 30, 2023, there was no Fiduciary Fund due to the adoption of GASB Statement 84, Fiduciary Activities during the previous year ended June 30, 2021.

# C Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

**Measurement focus** is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. **Basis of accounting** refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

#### **Measurement Focus**

On the government-wide statements of net position and the statement of activities, both governmental and business-like activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus. The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds and expendable trust funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statement of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources), and decreases (i.e. Expenditures and other finances uses) during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a flow economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, the accounting adjectives are the determination of operating income, changes in net position (or cost recovery), financial position, and cash flow. All assets and all liabilities, whether current or non-current, associated with their activities are included on the balance sheet. Fund equity (i.e., net total assets) is classified as net position.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

In the government wide statement of net position and statements of activities, both governmental and business like activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when the liability, resulting from exchange and exchange like transactions, is incurred (i. e the exchange takes place).

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund and agency funds are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when they become both measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determine and "available" means collectible with the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. State equalization monies are recognized as revenue during the period in which they are appropriated. A one-year availability period is used for revenue recognition for all other governmental funds revenues.

#### D Budgets/Budgetary Control

Annual appropriated budgets are prepared in the spring of each year for the general and special revenue fund. The budgets are submitted to the County Office and the Education Commissioner for approval. Budgets except for the special revenue fund which is prepared using a non-GAAP budgetary basis, are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The legal level of budgetary control is established at line item accounts within each fund. Line item accounts are 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. Transfers of appropriations may be made by Charter School Board resolution at any time during the fiscal year subject to the limitation of P.L. 2004 c73 (S1701). The Board of Trustees did not make any material supplemental budgetary appropriations during the fiscal year.

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the year. For governmental funds, there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and generally accepted accounting principles, with the exception of the Special Revenue Fund as noted below.

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental funds 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 recognized encumbrances as expenditures and also recognized the related revenues, whereas the GAAP basis does not. Sufficient supplemental records are maintained to allow of the presentation of GAAP basis financial reports.

# E Cash, Cash Equivalent and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds, cash in banks and all highly liquid investment with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchases and are stated at cost plus accrued interest. US Treasury and agency obligations and certificates of deposit with maturities of one year or less when purchases are stated at cost. All other investments are stated at fair value.

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

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

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

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

# **F** Short-Term Interfund Receivables/Payables

On the fund financial statement, receivable and payables resulting from short-term (due within one year) interfund loans are classified as interfund receivable/payable. Interfund balances within governmental activities and within business-type activities are eliminated on the Government Wide Statements of Net Position.

# **G** Inventories and Prepaid Expenses

Inventories and prepaid expenses, which benefit future periods, other than those recorded in the enterprise fund are recorded as expenditure during the year of purchase. Inventories in the proprietary funds are valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first-in-first-out (FIFO) method.

# **H** Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include leasehold improvements, equipment, furniture & fixtures and vehicles are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns of the Government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Charter School as assets with initial, individual cost of more than \$2,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or through estimation procedures performed by an independent appraisal company.

The cost of normal repairs and maintenance that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the assets lives are not capitalized. Donated capital assets are capitalized at estimated fair market value on the date donated. Depreciation of capital assets is computed and recorded by the straight-line method. The following estimated useful lives are used to compute depreciation:

<b>Description of Capital Assets</b>	<b>Estimated Lives (Years)</b>
Building improvements	5-50
Equipment	3-15
Furniture	3-15

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

# I Compensated Absences

The Charter School accounts for compensated absences (e.g., unused vacation, sick leave) as directed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 16 (GASB 16), "Accounting for Compensated Absences". A liability for compensated absences attributable to services already rendered and not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee is accrued as employees earn the rights to the benefits.

Charter School employees are granted varying amounts of vacation and sick leave in accordance with the Charter School's personnel policy. The Charter School's policy permits employees to accumulate unused sick and personal days and carry forward the full amount to subsequent years. Upon termination or upon retirement, employees are currently not paid for accrued vacation or unused sick and personal days. The Board of the Charter School is currently reviewing the exiting compensated absences policies with the intent of addressing the issues of accumulation and payments upon termination.

The entire sick leave and vacation leave liabilities are reported on the school-wide financial statements.

# J Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported on the government-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. However, the non-current portion of compensated absences and mortgage payable (if any) that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as liabilities on the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are normally expected to be paid with expendable, available financial resources.

#### **K** Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue in special revenue fund represent cash that has been received but not yet earned.

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

# L Fund Balance and Equity

In February 2009, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions ("GASB 54"). GASB 54 is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2010 and establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of resources reported in governmental funds. Under GASB 54, fund balances in the governmental funds financial statements are reported under the modified accrual basis of accounting and classified into the following five categories, as defined below:

- 1. Nonspendable includes amounts that cannot be spent because they either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Assets included in this fund balance category include prepaid assets, inventories, long-term receivables, and corpus of any permanent funds.
- 2. Restricted includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.
- 3. Committed includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the government's highest level of decision-making authority.
- 4. Assigned amounts intended to be used by the government for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.
- 5. Unassigned includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Charter School's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed. For the unrestricted fund balance, the Charter School first spends committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally, unassigned funds.

#### **M** Management Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates that affect the recorded amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

#### N On-Behalf Payments

Revenues and expenditures of the General Fund include payment made by the state of New Jersey for Pension and social security contributions for certified teacher members of the New Jersey Teachers Pension and Annuity Fund. The amounts are not required to be included in the Charter School's annual budget.

#### O Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities in the Government-wide financial statements. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any long-term debt used to build or acquire the capital assets. Net position are reported as restricted in the Government-wide financial statements when there are limitations imposed on their use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments.

#### P GASB Pronouncements

#### **Adoption of New Accounting Standards**

Statement No. 84, Fiduciary Activities (GASB 84). GASB 84 enhances the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. Specifically, GASB 84 establishes criteria for identifying fiduciary activities of all state and local governments. The focus of the criteria generally is on (1) whether a government is controlling the assets of the fiduciary activity and (2) the beneficiaries with whom a fiduciary relationship exists. As part of the adoption, the Charter School no longer considers activities in the Unemployment Fund Account, Payroll Agency Fund and Student Activities as fiduciary activities applicable under GASB 84. As a result, the Charter School no longer presents a Statement of Fiduciary Net Position, and records payroll deductions and withholding payable, unemployment activities in the General Fund in the Governmental Fund financial statements.

During the prior fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the Charter School adopted **GASB Statement No. 87, Leases**. This Statement establishes standards of accounting and financial reporting for leases by lessees and lessors.

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# 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

#### **Q** Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Charter School follows the accounting and disclosure standards pertaining to GASB 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application, for qualifying assets and liabilities. Fair value is defined as the price that the Charter School would receive upon selling an asset or pay to settle a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The Charter School uses a framework for measuring fair value that included a hierarchy that categorizes and prioritizes the sources used to measure and disclose fair value. This hierarchy is broken down into three levels based on inputs that market participants would use in valuing the financial instruments based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Charter School. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the financial instruments, including assumptions about risk. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs are inputs that are developed using market date, such as publicly available information about actual events or transactions, and which reflect the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing an asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are inputs for which market data are not available and that is developed using the best information available about the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing an asset or liability.

The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized in the three broad levels as follows:

Level 1 – inputs that reflect unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets at the measurement date.

Level 2 – inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset either directly or indirectly, including inputs in markets that are not considered to be active.

Level 3 – inputs that are unobservable and which require significant judgement or estimation.

An asset or liability level within the framework is based upon the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

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# 3 Deposits and Investments

New Jersey statutes require that Charter Schools deposit public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey that 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 (NJCMF), the New Jersey Arbitrage Rebate Management Fund (NJARM) and the M.B.I.A Class.

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 5% of the average daily balance of collected 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.

The Charter School's cash and cash equivalents are classified below to inform financial statement users about the extent to which the Charter School's deposits and investments are exposed to custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2023, the Charter School's carrying amount of deposits and investments are as follows:

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Enterprise Funds	Agency Funds	Total
Cash balances	\$ 1,098,866	\$ 4,093	\$ 1,799	\$ -	\$ 1,104,758
Escrow	75,000				75,000
	\$ 1,173,866	\$ 4,093	\$ 1,799	\$ -	\$ 1,179,758

Operating cash accounts are held in the Charter School's name by one banking institution. At June 30, 2023, the Charter School's carrying amount of deposits was \$1,179,758 and the bank balance was \$1,349,654. Of the bank balance, \$250,000 of the Charter School's cash deposits on June 30, 2023 were secured by federal deposit insurance and \$1,099,654 was covered by a collateral pool maintained by the bank as required by New Jersey statutes in accordance with the New Jersey Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA").

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# 3 Deposits and Investments - continued

#### Establishment of an Escrow Account

The Charter School has established and funded an Escrow Account pursuant to an agreement signed with the New Jersey Department of Education. The required maximum is \$75,000. The Charter School has fully funded the \$75,000. The agreement stipulates that the intended use of the escrow amount is "to pay for legal and audit expenses and any other outstanding pension benefits that would be associated with a dissolution should it occur."

GASB Statement No. 40 requires that the Charter School disclose whether its deposits are exposed to custodial risk (risk that in the event of failure of the counterparty, the Charter School would not be able to recover the value of its deposit or investment). In general deposits are considered to be exposed to custodial risk by three categories described below:

#### Category 1

Insured or collateralized with securities held by the Charter School or by its agent in the Charter School's name.

#### Category 2

Collateralized with securities held by the pledging public depository's trust department or agent in the Charter School'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 Charter School's name.

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

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# 3 Deposits and Investments - continued

#### **Investments**

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

- 1. Bonds or other obligations of the United States or obligations guaranteed by the United States.
- 2. 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.
- 3. Bonds or other obligations of the Charter School.
- 4. New Jersey Cash Management Fund, New Jersey Arbitrage Rebate Management Fund and MBIA CLASS.

As of June 30, 2023, the Charter School did not hold any investments.

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# 4 Capital Assets and Right-of-Use Lease Assets

The following schedule is a summarization of the governmental activities changes in capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2023:

Governmental activities	Beginning Balance		Net Additions (Deletions)		Ending Balance	
Capital assets, being depreciated:						
Building and improvements	\$	178,044	\$	71,119	\$	249,163
Equipment		250,521		47,976		298,497
Furniture		144,699		-		144,699
Total capital assets being depreciated		573,264		119,095		692,359
Less accumulated depreciation for:						
Building and improvements		30,416		16,014		46,430
Equipment		164,491		27,987		192,478
Furniture		92,154		14,470		106,624
Total accumulated depreciation		287,061		58,471		345,532
Total capital assets net	\$	286,203	\$	60,624	\$	346,827

Depreciation expense of \$58,471 was charged to an unallocated function.

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# 4 Capital Assets and Right-of-Use Lease Assets - continued

Changes in right-of-use lease assets are as follows for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023:

Governmental Activities	Beginning Balance July 1, 2022		Net Additions		Ending Balance June 30, 2023		
Right-of-use lease assets							
Leased building	\$	3,772,702	\$	-	\$	3,772,702	
Total cost		3,772,702		-		3,772,702	
Less - accumulated amortization							
Leased building		2,650,431		561,135		3,211,566	
Total accumulated amortization		2,650,431		561,135		3,211,566	
Right-of-use lease assets - net	\$	1,122,271	\$	(561,135)	\$	561,136	
<b>Business-Type Activities</b>	_						
Leased building	\$	61,725	\$	-	\$	61,725	
Less: accumulated amortization		(61,725)				(61,725)	
Right-of-use lease assets - net	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	

# 5 Lease Obligations

# Lease Agreements – Implementation of GASB 87

Lease Liabilities	Outstanding Balance June 30, 2022		Acquired Current Year		Retired Current Year	Ending Balance 6/30/2023		
Facilities lease liabilities	\$	1,371,832	\$	-	\$ (661,074)	\$	710,758	
Total lease liabilities	\$	1,371,832	\$	-	\$ (661,074)		710,758	
Current portion Non-current portion						ф.	710,758	
Total lease liabilities						\$	710,758	

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# 5 Lease Obligations - continued

# Lease Agreements - Implementation of GASB 87 - continued

The Charter School leases its school building premises under the terms of a non-cancelable lease. The lease is automatically renewed upon the charter renewal and can be extended through various dates through June 30, 2037.

The leases required aggregate monthly cash payments of approximately \$731,250 during the year ended June 30, 2023. Interest expense on the leases was \$56,635 for the year ended June 30, 2023 which is reflected as lease interest expense on the accompanying budgetary comparison schedule – general fund (exhibit C-1).

The value of the right-of-use assets and lease liabilities was \$561,135 and \$710,758, respectively as of June 30, 2023 which was calculated using a discount rate of 5.25% (the Charter School's estimated incremental borrowing rate as of July 1, 2022).

The net value of the right-of-use assets at June 30, 2023 was \$561,135. Amortization of the related right-of-use lease assets was \$561,135 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Future minimum payments under these agreements and future amortization are as follows:

	Year ending June 30:		Principal		nterest	Amortization	
	2024	\$	710,758	\$	20,492	\$	561,136
	2025 to 2028		-		-		-
Thereafter			-		-		-
		\$	710,758	\$	20,492	\$	561,136

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# 5 Lease Obligations - continued

# **Description of Lease Terms**

#### **Facilities Lease**

The Charter School leases its facilities under an operating lease agreement:

On April 3, 2017, the Charter School entered into a lease with Cardiff Center, LLC for the schools new location at 6718 Black Horse Pike in the Township of Egg Harbor. The term of the lease begins September 1, 2017 and will continue through August 31, 2037 unless the Charter School is no longer in existence.

# **Equipment Leases**

The Charter School was leasing Chromebooks, charging storage carts and Google Chrome Management Console Licenses with a total cost of \$111,739 under a capital lease. The lease was for a term of three years commencing August 20, 2019 through August 20, 2022. As of June 30, 2023, the lease has expired, therefore, there were no minimum lease payments as of year-end.

Future minimum lease payments required under the operating leases are as follows:

Year ending June 30:	6718 Black Horse Pike Lease		Equipment Leases		Total	
2024	\$	731,250	\$	-	\$	731,250
2025		731,250		-		731,250
2026		731,250		-		731,250
2027		731,250		-		731,250
2028		822,656		-		822,656
Thereafter		8,339,300				8,339,300
	\$	12,086,956	\$	-	\$	12,086,956

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#### **6** Pension Plans

# **Description of Plans**

Substantially all of the employees of the Charter School are covered by either the Public Employee's Retirement System or the Teacher's Pension and Annuity Fund (both of which are contributory defined benefits plans). Both were established by state statute and are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefit (Division). According to the State of New Jersey Administrative Code, all obligations of both Systems will be assumed by the State of New Jersey should the Systems terminate.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information for TPAF and PERS. The financial reports may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, P.O. Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295.

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

The Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund was established in January 1955 under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:66 to provide coverage including post-retirement health care to substantially all full time public school employees in the State. Membership is mandatory for such employees and vesting occurs after 10 years of service for pension benefits and 25 years for health care coverage. Age eligibility and benefit provisions were affected by Chapters 92 and 103, P.L. 2007, Chapter 89, P.L. 2008, Chapter 1, P.L. 2010, and Chapter 78, P.L. 2011. Members are classified into one of five tiers dependent upon the date of their enrollment. Tier 1, 2 and 3 members are eligible to retire at age 60, 60, and 62, respectively, with an annual benefit generally determined to be 1/55th of the average annual compensation for the highest three fiscal years' compensation for each year of membership during years of credited service. Tier 4 and 5 members are eligible to retire at age 62 and 65, respectively, with an annual benefit generally determined to be 1/60th of the average annual compensation for the highest five fiscal years' compensation for each year of membership during years of credited service. Anyone who retires early and is under their respective tier's retirement age receives retirement benefits as calculated in the formulas mentioned above, but at a reduced rate in accordance with applicable New Jersey Statute based upon their tier.

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#### 6 Pension Plans - continued

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

The Public Employees' Retirement System was established in January 1955 under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A to provide coverage including post-retirement health care to substantially all full-time employees of the State or any county, municipality, school Board or public agency provided the employee is not a member of another Stateadministered retirement system. Age eligibility and benefit provisions were affected by Chapters 92 and 103, P.L. 2007, Chapter 89, P.L. 2008, Chapter 1, P.L. 2010, and Chapter 78, P.L. 2011. Members are classified into one of five tiers dependent upon the date of their enrollment. Tier 1, 2 and 3 members are eligible to retire at age 60, 60, and 62, respectively with an annual benefit generally determined to be 1/55th of the average annual compensation for the highest three fiscal years' compensation for each year of membership during years of credited service. Tier 4 and 5 members are eligible to retire at age 62 and 65, respectively with an annual benefit generally determined to be 1/60th of the average annual compensation for the highest five fiscal years' compensation for each year of membership during years of credited service. Anyone who retires early and is under their respective tier's retirement age receives retirement benefits as calculated in the formulas mentioned above, but at a reduced rate in accordance with applicable New Jersey Statute based upon their tier.

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

The Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP) was established under the provision of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007 to provide coverage to elected and certain appointed officials, effective July 1, 2007. Membership is mandatory for such individuals with vesting occurring after one year of membership.

#### **Funding Policy**

The contribution policy is set by New Jersey State Statutes and contributions are required by active members and contributing members. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. Under the provisions of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, employee contribution rates for TPAF and PERS increased to 7.5% of employees' annual compensation. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate in both the TPAF and PERS. The actuarially determined contribution includes funding for noncontributory death benefits and post-retirement medical premiums. Under current statute the Board is a non-contributing employer of the TPAF.

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#### 6 Pension Plans - continued

#### **Annual Pension Costs (APC)**

Per the requirements of GASB Statement No. 27 for the year ended June 30, 2011 for TPAF, which is a cost sharing plan with special funding situations, annual pension cost differs from the annual required contribution. For PERS, which is a cost sharing multi-employer defined benefit pension plan, the annual pension cost equals contributions made. TPAF employer contributions are made annually by the State of New Jersey to the pension system on behalf of the Board.

PERS employer contributions are made annually by the Board to the pension system in accordance with Chapter 114, P.L. 1997. In the DCRP, which is a defined contribution plan, member contributions are matched by a 3% employer contribution.

The Charter School's contribution to PERS for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$198,331.

In accordance with N.J.S.A 18A:66-66 the State of New Jersey reimbursed the Charter School \$177,803 during the year ended June 30, 2023 for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members, as calculated on their base salaries. Also, the State paid \$1,024,181 into the TPAF pension representing on-behalf employer's portion of the TPAF Pension System Contributions, TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Benefits Contributions and TPAF Long Term Disability Insurance Premium Contributions for the Charter School. These amounts have been included in the school wide financial statements and the fund financial statements as a revenue and expenditure in accordance with GASB No. 24.

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#### 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures

# Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)

# Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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 position of the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and additions to/deductions from the TPAF's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the TPAF.

For this purpose, 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.

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

The employer contributions for the Charter School are legally required to be funded by the State in accordance with N.J.S.A 18:66-33. Therefore, the Charter School (employer) is considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a non-employer contributing entity. Since the Charter School (employer) does not contribute directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to report in the financial statements of the Charter School. However, the state's portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the Charter School was \$9,002,872 as measured on June 30, 2022 and \$6,652,590 as measured on June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Charter School recognized pension expense of \$242,292 and revenue of \$242,292 for support provided by the State. The measurement period for the pension expense and revenue reported in the Charter School's financial statements (A-2) at June 30, 2023 is based upon changes in the collective net pension liability with a measurement period of June 30, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Accordingly, the pension expense and the related revenue associated with the support provided by the State are based upon the changes in the collective net pension liability between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022.

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#### 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures - continued

#### Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) - continued

Although the Charter School dopes not report net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows related to the TPAF, the following schedule illustrates the collective net pension liability and deferred items and the State's portion of the net pension liability associated with the Charter School. The collective amounts are the total of all New Jersey local governments participating in the TPAF plan.

	Ju	ne 30, 2022	Ju	ne 30, 2021		
Collective deferred outflows of resources		\$ 4,885,289,911		\$ 6,230,825,389		
Collective deferred inflows of resources		\$19,563,805,393		\$27,221,092,460		
Collective net pension liability (non-employer						
State of New Jersey)		\$51,594,415,806		\$48,075,188,642		
State's portion of the net pension liability that was						
associated with the Charter School	\$	9,002,872	\$	6,652,590		
State's portion of the net pension liability that was						
associated with the Charter School as a						
percentage of the collective net pension liability		0.017449%		0.013838%		

# **Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2022 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Inflation rate - price	2.75%
Inflation rate - wage	3.25%
Salary increases: thereafter	2.75% - 5.65% based on years of service
Investment rate of return	7.00%

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Employee mortality table with a 93.9% adjustment for males and 85.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 114.7% adjustment for males and 99.6% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis.

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## 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures - continued

# Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) - continued

### Actuarial Assumptions - continued

Disability mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 106.3% adjustment for males and 100.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

## Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - continued

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2022) 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 real rates of return for each major asset class included in TPAF's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

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# 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures - continued

Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) - continued

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - continued

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return
US Equity	27.00%	8.12%
Non-US Developed Markets Equity	13.50%	8.38%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	10.33%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.80%
Real Estate	8.00%	11.19%
Real Assets	3.00%	7.60%
High Yield	4.00%	4.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	8.10%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	3.38%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	1.75%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	1.75%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.91%

## Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the State's total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2022. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments in determining the total pension liability.

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# 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures - continued

Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) - continued

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

Since the Charter School's has no proportionate share of the net pension liability because of the special funding situation, the Charter School would not be sensitive to any changes in the discount rate. Detailed information about the pension plan's sensitivity of the collective net pension liability to changes in the discount rate is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Divisions of Pensions and Benefits financial report at: <a href="https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/documents/financial/gasb/gasb68-tpaf22.pdf">https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/documents/financial/gasb/gasb68-tpaf22.pdf</a>

## Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Divisions of Pensions and Benefits financial report at: <a href="https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/gasb-notices.shtml">https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/gasb-notices.shtml</a>

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## 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures - continued

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

# Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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 position of the PERS and additions to/deductions from PERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS. For this purpose, 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.

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

At June 30, 2023, the Charter School reported a liability of \$2,373,492 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total pension liability to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022. The total pension liability for the June 30, 2021 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021. The Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability is based on the ratio of the contributions as an individual employer to total contributions to the PERS during the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively. At June 30, 2022, the Charter School's proportion was 0.0157274740% which was an increase of 0.0047990967% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021 which was 0.0109283773%.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the Charter School recognized pension expense of \$198,331. At June 30, 2022, the Charter School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

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## 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures - continued

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - continued

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

	Deferred		]	Deferred	
	<b>Outflows of</b>		Inflows of		
	R	esources	Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	17,131	\$	15,107	
Changes in assumptions		7,354		355,406	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings					
on pension plan investments		98,237		-	
Changes in proportion and differences between Charter					
School's contributions and proportionate share of contributions		1,163,275			
Subtotal	-	1,285,997		370,513	
Charter School's contributions subsequent to the measurement date		198,331		_	
Total	\$	1,484,328	\$	370,513	
	_		_		

\$198,331 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from school Charter School contributions subsequent to the measurement date (i.e. for the school year ending June 30, 2023, the plan measurement date is June 30, 2022) will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	Pension
Year Ending June 30:	Expense
2023	\$ 752,200
2024	383,221
2025	186,889
2026	(407,722)
2027	896
Thereafter	
	\$ 915,484

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### 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures - continued

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - continued

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

	Ju	ne 30, 2022	Ju	ine 30, 2021
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$ 1	,715,543,211	\$ 1	,164,739,169
Collective deferred inflows of resources	\$ 4	,112,583,758	\$ 8	3,339,123,762
Collective net pension liability (Non-State				
Local Group)	\$15	,091,376,611	\$11	,846,499,172
Charter School's portion of the net pension liability	\$	2,373,492	\$	1,294,630
Charter School's proportion (percentage)		0.01572747%		0.01092838%

## **Actuarial Assumptions**

The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2022 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation rate - price	2.75%
Inflation rate - wage	3.25%
Salary increases: thereafter	2.75%-6.55% based on years of service
Investment rate of return	7.00%

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

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# 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures - continued

# Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - continued

## Long-Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2022) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investment and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

		Long Term
	Target	<b>Expected Real</b>
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
US Equity	27.00%	8.12%
Non-US Developed Markets Equity	13.50%	8.38%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	10.33%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.80%
Real Estate	8.00%	11.19%
Real Assets	3.00%	7.60%
High Yield	4.00%	4.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	8.10%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	3.38%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	1.75%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	1.75%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.91%

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## 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures - continued

**Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)** – continued

## Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2022. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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## 7 Pension Plans – GASB 68 Disclosures - continued

# Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - continued

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

The following presents the collective net pension liability of the participating employers as of June 30, 2022, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the collective net pension 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:

				2022		
	1%	% Decrease (6.00%)	Dis	Current scount Rate (7.00%)	-	% Increase (8.00%)
Charter School's proportionate share of the pension liability	\$	3,075,066	\$	2,373,492	\$	1,813,632
				2021		
	1%	% Decrease (6.00%)	Dis	Current scount Rate (7.00%)	-	% Increase (8.00%)
Charter School's proportionate share of the pension liability	\$	1,781,818	\$	1,294,630	\$	906,695

# Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Divisions of Pensions and Benefits financial report at: <a href="http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-rprts-home.shtml">http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-rprts-home.shtml</a>

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### **8** Post Retirement Benefits

# Plan Description and Benefits Provided

The Charter School is in a "special funding situation", as described in GASB Statement No. 75, in that OPEB contributions and expenses are legally required to be made by and are the sole responsibility of the State of New Jersey, not the Charter School.

The State of New Jersey reports a liability as a result of its statutory requirements to pay other post-employment (health) benefits for the State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Education Plan. The State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan is a multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan that is administered on a pay-asyou-go basis. Accordingly, no assets are accumulated in a qualifying trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. The State Health Benefits 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 years or more 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 non-employer OPEB liability does not include certain other postemployment benefit obligations that are provided by the local education employers. The reporting of these benefits, if any, is the responsibility of the individual education employers.

## **Employees Covered by Benefit Terms.**

At June 30, 2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms: Active plan member = 213,148 Inactive plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits = 151,669 Inactive plan members or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits = -0-Total plan members = 364,817

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## 8 **Post Retirement Benefits** – continued

## **Total Non-employer OPEB Liability**

The State, a non-employer contributing entity, is the only entity that has a legal obligation to make employer contributions to OPEB for qualified retired PERS and TPAF participants. The Charter School's proportionate share percentage determined under paragraphs 193 and 203 through 205 of GASBS No. 75 is zero percent. Accordingly, the Charter School did not recognize any portion of the collective net OPEB liability on the Statement of Net Position. Accordingly, the following OPEB liability note information is reported at the State's level and is not specific to the board of education/board of trustees. Note that actual numbers will be published in the NJ State's ACFR (https://www.nj.gov/treasury/omb/publications/archives.shtml)

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 total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2021 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021.

# **Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs**

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

Inflation Rate 2.50%

	TPAF/ABP	PERS
Salary increases:		
Through 2029	2.75 to 5.65%	2.75 to 6.55%
	based on years	based on years
	of service	of service
Thereafter	2.75 to 5.65%	2.75 to 6.55%
	based on years	based on years
	of service	of service

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## 8 **Post Retirement Benefits** – *continued*

# Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs - continued

Preretirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Health "Teachers" (TP AF) and "General" (PERS) classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021. 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-2021. 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-2021 for current disables retirees. Future disabled retirees was based on the Pub-2010 "General" (PERS) and "Teachers" (TPAF) classification headcount weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation were based on the results of the TP AF and PERS actuarial experience studies for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021. 100% of active members are considered to participate in the plan upon retirement.

### **Health Care Trend Assumptions**

For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend rate is initially 6.25% and decreases to a 4.50% long-term trend rate after eight years. For post-65 medical benefits PPO, the trend is initially-1.99% in fiscal year 2023, increasing to 13.44% in fiscal year 2026 and decreases to 4.50% in fiscal year 2033. For HMO the trend is initially -3.54% in fiscal year 2023 increasing to 15.19% in fiscal year 2026 and decreases to 4.5% in fiscal year 2033. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 8.00% and decreases to a 4.50% long-term trend rate after eight years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.00%.

## **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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# 8 **Post Retirement Benefits** – continued

# Changes in the Total OPEB Liability Reported by the State of New Jersey

	Increase/(Decrease) Total OPED Liability			
Balance as of June 30, 2021 measurement date	\$	60,007,650,970		
Changes recognized for the fiscal year:				
Service cost	\$	2,770,618,025		
Interest on total OPEB liability		1,342,187,139		
Chamges of benefit terms		-		
Difference between expected and actual experiences		1,399,200,736		
Effect of changes of assumptions		(13,586,368,097)		
Gross benefits paid by the State		(1,329,476,059)		
Contributins from the members		42,650,252		
Net changes	\$	(9,361,188,004)		
Balance as of June 30, 2022 measurement date	\$	50,646,462,966		

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

The following presents the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District calculated using the discount rate of 3.54%; as well as what the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District that would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is I-percentage-point lower (2.54 percent) or I-percentage-point higher (4.54 percent) than the current rate:

2022

			2022	
	At 1% Decrease (2.54%)	Di	At 1% scount Rate (3.54%)	At 1% Increase (4.54%)
Total OPED liability attributable to the Charter School	\$ 3,479,199	\$	2,960,026	\$ 2,543,935
			2021	
	At 1% Decrease (1.16%)	Di	At 1% scount Rate (2.16%)	At 1% Increase (3.16%)
Total OPED liability attributable to the Charter School	\$ 4,748,943	\$	3,964,579	\$ 3,346,939

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### 8 **Post Retirement Benefits** – *continued*

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

The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB Liability attributable to the Charter School as of June 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively, calculated using the healthcare trend rate as disclosed in this note, as well as what the total nonemployer OPEB liability attributable to the Charter School would be if it were calculated using a healthcare trend rate that is I-percentage-point lower or I-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

		2022	
	At 1% Decrease	Iealthcare t Trend Rate	At 1% Increase
Total OPED liability attributable to the Charter School	\$ 2,446,642	\$ 2,960,026	\$ 3,634,387
		2021	
	At 1% Decrease	Iealthcare t Trend Rate	At 1% Increase
Total OPED liability attributable to the Charter School	\$ 3,209,340	\$ 3,964,579	\$ 4,978,810

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

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 the Charter School recognized OPEB expense of \$956,814 as determined by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. This expense and the related offsetting revenue are for benefits provided by the State through a defined benefit OPEB plan that meets the criteria in GASB Statement 75, in which there is a special funding situation.

In accordance with GASB Statement 75, as the Charter School's proportionate share of the OPEB liability is \$-0, there is no recognition of the allocation of the proportionate share of the deferred inflows and outflows of resources. At June 30, 2022 the State had deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

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# 8 **Post Retirement Benefits** – *continued*

# OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB - continued

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between actual and expected experience	\$ 9,042,402,619	\$ 15,462,950,679
Net difference between expected and actual earnings		
on OPEB plan investments	-	-
Assumption changes	 8,765,620,577	 17,237,289,230
Subtotal	17,808,023,196	32,700,239,909
Contributions and in Section 2010 - Sec		
Contributions made in fiscal year 2019 after	TDD	NT/A
June 30, 2018 measurement date	 TBD	 N/A
Total	\$ TBD	\$ 32,700,239,909

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

Measurement Period - Fiscal Year Ending June 30:	 Total
2023	\$ (2,517,151,602)
2024	\$ (2,517,151,602)
2025	\$ (2,517,151,602)
2026	\$ (2,175,449,761)
2027	\$ (1,243,951,140)
Thereafter	\$ (3,921,361,006)
	\$ (14,892,216,713)

# 9 Deferred Compensation

The Charter School offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with the IRS code 403(b). The plan which is administered by AXA Equitable permits participants to defer a portion of their salaries until future years.

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# 10 Economic Dependency

The Charter School receives a substantial amount of its support from federal and state governments. A significant reduction in the level of support, if it were to occur, could have an effect on the Charter School's programs and activities.

# 11 Contingent Liabilities

The Charter School participates in a number of federal and state programs that are fully or partially funded by grants received from other governmental units. Expenditures financed by grants are subject to audit by the appropriate grantor government. If expenditures are disallowed due to noncompliance with grant program regulations, the Charter School may be required to reimburse the grantor government.

As of June 30, 2023, significant amounts of grant expenditures have not been audited by the various grantor agencies but the Charter School believes that disallowed expenditures, if any, based on subsequent audits will not have a material effect on any of the individual governmental funds or the overall financial position of the Charter School.

The Charter School's attorney's letter advises the following:

Highmark v. Principle Academy Charter - The matter was filed in the State of Utah in August 2023 seeking \$179,000 for breach of contract. The attorney represents that the Charter School is vigorously defending the matter. Further, because the complaint was filed after the statute of limitations has expired, the Charter School would be filing a motion to dismiss, which in the opinion of counsel is likely to be granted.

VD v. Principle Academy Charter - Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Atlantic County, Docket No. ATL-L-1066-23. "This matter involves Plaintiff's claims that both the Principle Academy Charter Board of Trustees and Co-Defendant Polymath Achievement Charters violated the Plaintiff's rights under New Jersey's Conscientious Employee Protection Act. Plaintiff applied for a school nurse position at Principle Academy Charter in early 2022. However, Plaintiff did not have the certification to act as a school nurse, although Plaintiff was in the process of attempting to obtain that certification. When Plaintiff's 10-month employment engagement ended and was not renewed, Plaintiff commenced this litigation. The litigation has just commenced and is in the early stages of discovery. The current discovery end date is not until late October 2024. Plaintiff has made unliquidated claims for economic damages and compensatory damages. As this case is a case in which a successful Plaintiff will be entitled to attorney's fees, there is also the fee-shifting component to consider. Based on the information that we have gathered thus far, we believe that this matter is entirely defensible and we are approaching the defense of this matter in a very aggressive fashion. At this stage, the potential loss amount cannot be estimated."

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# 12 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 and surety bonds. A complete schedule of insurance coverage can be found in the Statistical Section (UNAUDITED) of this Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. **New Jersey Unemployment Compensation -** The Charter School has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Benefit Reimbursement Method". Under this plan, the Charter School is required to reimburse the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund For benefits paid to its former employees and charged to its account with the State.

## 13 Interfund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

The composition of interfund balances as of June 30, 2023 is as follows:

Fund	nterfund eceivable	nterfund Payable
General Fund	\$ 493,026	\$ -
Special Revenue Fund	-	348,554
Enterprise Fund	-	144,472
Trust and Agency Fund	 	 -
	\$ 493,026	\$ 493,026

The above balances are the results of revenues earned or other financing sources received in one fund which are due to another fund and/or expenditures paid by one fund on behalf of another fund and/or to cover cash balances which were in negative position. Liquidation of these interfund balances is expected within the next fiscal year.

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# 14 Receivables

Receivables as of June 30, 2023 consisted of accounts, intergovernmental, grants and miscellaneous receivables. All receivables are considered collectible in full. A summary of the principal items of receivables is as follows:

State aid	\$ 68,143
Federal aid	524,863
Other	117,590
Total receivables	\$ 710,596

# 15 Subsequent Events

The Charter School has evaluated all subsequent events occurring through the date of the independent auditor's report which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Based on this evaluation, the Charter School has determined that no subsequent events require disclosure in the financial statements except the two lawsuits against the Charter Schools that are ongoing and not yet settled as of the date of this report. The lawsuits are fully described in Note 11 above.

# 16 Fund Balance Appropriated – General Fund (Exhibit B- 1)

The fund balance as of June 30, 2023 was \$1,876,597 which was unreserved and undesignated.

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# 17 Risk and Uncertainties – COVID-19 and Its Impact

In December 2019, an outbreak of a novel strain of coronavirus (COVID-19) originated in Wuhan, China and has since spread to other countries, including the United States. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic. In addition, as of March 21, 2020, New Jersey State Governor Phil Murphy ordered the closure of the physical location of every "non-life sustaining" and "non-essential" business.

The Charter School's operations are heavily dependent on both federal and state grant revenues. Its physical locations were closed from March 2020 through September 2020. The full impact of the COVID-19 outbreak continues to evolve as of the date of this report. As such it is uncertain as to the full impact that the pandemic will have on the Charter School's financial condition, liquidity, and future results of operations. Management is actively monitoring the situation on its financial condition, liquidity and operations. The rapid development and fluidity of this situation precludes any prediction as to the ultimate material adverse impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Nevertheless, the COVID-19 pandemic presents material uncertainty and risk with respect to the Charter School its performance, and its financial results.

However, it should be noted that as of the date of this report, the Charter School's various federal and state grants have not been materially impacted.

Further, it should be noted that the United States government has expedited the process of vaccinating its people against the virus and it appears the restrictions on movement imposed earlier have eased significantly.

## 18 Education Management Services Agreement – Charter Management Organization

An Education Management Services Agreement (the "Agreement") was executed by the Charter School and Polymath Achievement Charter Schools, LLC, a New Jersey Limited Liability Company (the Charter Management Organization – CMO).

The terms of the Agreement include provision of specialized educational and management services, including operational and administrative supports, to the Charter School in furtherance of the Charter School's mission. Such services are considered qualitative in nature.

The Agreement called for the payment of a monthly fees equal to 14% of Charter School's total annual funding from federal, state and local public sources received by the Charter School plus a \$50,000 payment for special needs management services - (management fees).

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# 18 Education Management Services Agreement – Charter Management Organization - continued

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Management Company fees are not being paid with Federal funds. Rather, this formula sets the rate of compensation to the Management Company for services under this Agreement.

The agreement has been renewed for one year from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

The Charter School incurred a total of \$1,399,730 in management fees expenditures paid to Polymath Achievement Charter Schools, LLC during the year ended June 30, 2023.

### 19 Reconciliation of Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

# Explanation of Certain Differences between the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet (B-1) and the Government-wide Statement of Net Position (A-1).

The governmental fund balance sheet includes reconciliation between fund balance – total governmental funds and net position - governmental activities as reported in the Government-wide statement of net position. One element of that reconciliation explains that long-term liabilities, including deferred pension liability are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. The reconciliation is as follows:

Fund balance per B-1	\$ 1,880,690
Cost of capital assets net accumulated depreciation	346,826
Pension deferred outflows	1,285,997
Pension deferred inflows	(370,513)
Deferred pension liability as of June 30, 2023	(2,373,492)
Compensated absences payable as of June 30, 2023	(62,930)
Cost of right-of-use lease assets, net of accumulated amortization	561,136
Principal balance of lease liabilities	(710,758)
Net position (per A-1) as of June 30, 2023	\$ 556,956

# Required Supplementary Information

Part II

**Budgetary Comparison** 

# PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL General Fund

# **Budget Comparison Schedule**

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Revenues					
Local Sources:					
Local tax levy	\$ 3,041,348	\$ -	\$ 3,041,348	\$ 3,041,348	\$ -
Miscellaneous			-	42,580	42,580
Total revenues -local sources	3,041,348	<del>-</del>	3,041,348	3,083,928	42,580
State sources:					
State aid	6,121,368	(494,276)	5,627,092	5,627,092	-
Reimbursed TPAF-Social Security (non-budgeted)	-	-	-	177,803	177,803
TPAF - Post Retirement Medical (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)	-	-	-	212,900	212,900
Teacher's Pension & Annuity Fund (On-Behalf-Non-Budgeted)	-	-	-	810,440	810,440
Long Term Disability Insurance (On-Behalf-Non-Budgeted)	-	-	-	841	841
Total -state sources	6,121,368	(494,276)	5,627,092	6,829,076	1,201,984
Total revenues	9,162,716	(494,276)	8,668,440	9,913,004	1,244,564
Expenditures					
Current expense:					
Instruction					
Salaries of teachers	1,336,652	428,850	1,765,502	1,675,363	90,139
Other salaries for instruction	1,675,000	(216,240)	1,458,760	1,380,067	78,693
Purchased profesional technical services	870,503	6,562	877,065	877,065	-
Other purchased services	30,000	(20,000)	10,000	7,413	2,587
General educational supplies	100,000	(51,839)	48,161	48,161	-
Textbooks	100,000	(96,441)	3,559	-	3,559
Miscellaneous expenses	200,000	(135,359)	64,641	64,457	184
	4,312,155	(84,467)	4,227,688	4,052,526	175,162

# PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL General Fund

# **Budget Comparison Schedule**

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Administrative cost:					
Salaries	150,000	33,721	183,721	183,721	-
Total benefit costs	1,146,500	(100,198)	1,046,302	1,004,692	41,610
Professional /Technical service	808,742	(155,260)	653,482	602,992	50,490
Other purchased services	90,000	(13,102)	76,898	13,427	63,471
Communications and Telephones	28,000	40,771	68,771	30,871	37,900
Supplies and materials	5,000	16,806	21,806	21,806	-
Judgment against charter school	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous expenses	15,000	(466)	14,534	7,832	6,702
	2,243,242	(177,728)	2,065,514	1,865,341	200,173
Support services:					
Salaries	1,135,000	180,223	1,315,223	1,167,235	147,988
Purchased prof/tech service	263,963	(12,238)	251,725	220,089	31,636
Other purchased services	125,304	47,746	173,050	128,854	44,196
Rent on land and buildings - other than Lease Purchase Agreements	731,250	(13,542)	717,708	(24,001)	741,709
Insurance-fidelity, liability property	40,000	20,039	60,039	60,039	-
Supplies and materials	111,400	(18,208)	93,192	85,663	7,529
Energy & Utilities	67,000	38,085	105,085	105,085	-
Miscellaneous expenses	66,848	1,365	68,213	-	68,213
Transportation other than to/from school	15,000	13,149	28,149	28,149	-
Lease interest expense	-	-	-	56,635	(56,635)
Principal payments on lease liabilities	-	-	-	661,074	(661,074)
Food Services - Transfer to cover deficit	=	<u>-</u>			-
Total support services	2,555,765	256,619	2,812,384	2,488,822	323,562

# PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL General Fund

# **Budget Comparison Schedule**

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Capital outlay:					
Instructional equipment	5,000	(5,000)	-		-
Non-instructional equipment	15,000	20,576	35,576	35,576	-
Purchase land/improvements	10,000	(10,000)	-	-	-
Miscellaneous expenses	<u></u> _				
Total capital outlay	30,000	5,576	35,576	35,576	-
Reimbursed TPAF-Social Security (non-budgeted)	-	-	_	177,803	(177,803)
TPAF - Post Retirement Medical (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)	_	_	_	212,900	(212,900)
Teacher's Pension & Annuity Fund (On-Behalf-Non-Budgeted)	_	_	_	810,440	(810,440)
Long Term Disability Insurance (On-Behalf-Non-Budgeted)	_	_	_	841	(841)
Total expenditures	9,141,162		9,141,162	9,644,249	520,253
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Excess (deficiency) of revenues					
over (under) expenditures before special item	21,554	(494,276)	(472,722)	268,755	741,477
Special item:					
Forgiveness of Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan					
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Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures after special item	21,554	(494,276)	(472,722)	268,755	741,477
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Fund balances, beginning of year	1,607,842	(20,000)	1,607,842	1,607,842	
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 1,629,396	\$ (514,276)	\$ 1,135,120	\$ 1,876,597	\$ 741,477
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# PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL Special Revenue Fund

# Budget Comparison Schedule Budgetary Basis Year ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Revenues					
Federal sources	\$ 1,148,612	\$ -	\$ 1,148,612	\$ 1,148,612	\$ -
State sources	71,119	-	71,119	71,119	-
Local sources					
Total revenues -all sources	1,219,731		1,219,731	1,219,731	
Expenditures					
Current Expenditures:					
Instruction:					
Salaries of teachers	427,236	-	427,236	427,236	-
Purchased Prof. and technical services	-	-	-	-	-
Other purchased services	-	-	-	-	-
General supplies	320,225	-	320,225	320,225	-
Miscellaneous expenditures	-	-	-	-	-
Total instruction	747,461			747,461	-
Support services					
Support services salaries	32,543	-	32,543	32,543	-
Employee benefits	59,198	-	59,198	59,198	-
Purchased professional services	129,604	-	129,604	129,604	-
Other purchased services	7,190	-	7,190	7,190	-
Rental	101,889	-	101,889	101,889	-
Supplies	58,327	_	58,327	58,327	_
Miscellaneous expenditures	, <u>-</u>	_		· -	_
Student activities	_	_	_	_	_
Total support services	388,751		388,751	388,751	
Capital Outlay:					
Facilities acquisition and construction services					
Instructional equipment					
Noninstructional equipment	12,400	-	12,400	12,400	-
Construction services	71,119	-	71,119	71,119	-
Total facilities acquisition and construction services	83,519		83,519	83,519	
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Total expenditures	\$ 1,219,731	\$ -	\$ 472,270	\$ 1,219,731	\$ -

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

# Note to Required Supplementary Information Budget to GAAP Reconciliation

# Year ended June 30, 2023

		General Fund	Special Revenue Fund
Sources/inflows of resources			
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "revenue"			
from the budgetary comparison schedule:	[C-1]	\$ 9,913,004	
	[C-2]		\$ 1,219,731
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 reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures			
and changes in fund balances - governmental funds	[B-2]	\$ 9,913,004	\$1,219,731
	. ,		
Uses/outflows of resources			
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total outflows" from the			
budgetary comparison schedule	[C-1]	\$ 9,644,249	
	[C-2]		\$ 1,219,731
Differences - budget to GAAP			
Encumbrances for supplies and equipment ordered but			
not received are reported in the year the order is placed for			
budgetary purposes, but in the year the supplies are received for financial reporting purposes.			
for financial reporting purposes.			-
Transfers to and from other funds are presented as outflows of			
budgetary resources but are not expenditures			
for financial reporting purposes.			
Net transfer (outflows) to general fund		-	-
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues,			
expenditures, and changes in fund balances - governmental funds	[B-2]	\$ 9,644,249	\$ 1,219,731

Note 1) The general fund budget basis of the use/outflow of resources is GAAP, therefore no reconciliation is required.

### Schedule of the Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - PERS Last Eight Fiscal Years

(Unaudited)

		2022	_	2021	_	2020	_	Fiscal 2019	Year	Ended June 30, 2018	_	2017	_	2016	_	2015
Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability (assets)	(	0.0157274740%	0.	.0109283773%	0	0.0104742334%	0	0.0094005849%		0.0082077907%		0.0000000000%		0.0000000000%		0.0000000000%
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets)		2,373,492		1,294,630		1,707,912		1,693,843	_	1,616,073				-		<u>-</u>
Charter School's covered employee payroll	\$	1,101,053	\$	575,822	\$	1,782,694	\$	745,464	\$	607,048	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets) as a percentage of its covered employee payroll		215.57%		224.83%		95.81%		227.22%		266.22%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability - local		62.91%		70.33%		58.32%		56.27%		53.60%		48.10%		40.14%		47.93%

The Charter School implemented GASB 68, Accounting for Financial Reporting for Pension in fiscal year 2015. No data is available prior to fiscal year 2015.

Note

Until a full ten year trend is compiled, information will be presented for those years for which information is available.

### Schedule of the Charter School's Contributions - PERS Last Eight Fiscal Years

(Unaudited)

					Fiscal Yea									
	2022	2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016		2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 198,331	\$ 127,984	\$	114,572	\$	91,440	\$	81,641	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Contribution in relation to the contractually required contribution	 (198,331)	 (127,984)		(114,572)		(91,440)		(81,641)		-		-		
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Charter School's covered employee payroll	\$ 1,101,053	\$ 575,822	\$	1,782,694	\$	745,464	\$	607,048	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	18.01%	22.23%		6.43%		12.27%		13.45%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%

The Charter School implemented GASB 68, Accounting for Financial Reporting for Pension in fiscal year 2015. No data is available prior to fiscal year 2015.

Until a full ten year trend is compiled, information will be presented for those years for which information is available.

### Schedule of the Charter School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - TPAF Last Eight Fiscal Years

(Unaudited)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,															
		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016		2015
													-			
Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability (assets)**		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets)**		N/A	N/A			N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A	
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets) associated with the Charter School	\$	9,002,872	s	6,652,590	\$	6,456,444	\$	6,860,538	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	s	-
Total	\$	9,002,872	\$	6,652,590	\$	6,456,444	\$	6,860,538	\$		\$	-	\$		\$	-
Charter School's covered employee payroll	\$	2,442,336	\$	1,048,166	\$	2,121,473	\$	1,146,792	\$	1,400,548	\$	-	\$	=	\$	-
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets) as a percentage of its covered employee payroll**		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		32.29%		35.52%		24.60%		26.95%		26.49%		25.41%		22.33%		28.71%

<sup>\*\*</sup>Note
TPAF is a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 in which the State of New Jersey is 100% responsible for contributions to the plan. Since the Charter School (employer) does not contribute directly to the plan there is no net pension liability to report in the financial statements of the Charter School.

# Schedule of the State's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability Associated with the Charter School and Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios Public Employee's Retirement System and Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund Last Five Fiscal Years

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,												
	2022		2021		2020		2019	2018					
Total OPEB Liability	 												
Service cost	\$ 683,421	\$	717,408	\$	354,704	\$	411,983	\$	-				
Interest cost	71,289		102,845		73,356		68,632		(636)				
Changes of benefit term	-		(4,220)						-				
Difference between expected and actual experiences	(1,239,290)		(461,342)		873,470		(69,831)		1,583,294				
Changes of assumptions	(721,624)		3,911		673,006		26,421		(159,234)				
Member contributions	2,265		2,629		1,944		1,612		1,282				
Gross benefit payments	 (70,614)		(81,013)		(64,142)		(54,396)		(37,104)				
Net change in total OPEB liability	(1,274,553)		280,218		1,912,338		384,421		1,387,602				
Total OPEB liability - beginning	 3,964,579		3,684,361		1,772,023		1,387,602						
Total OPEB liability, ending	\$ 2,690,026	\$	3,964,579	\$	3,684,361	\$	1,772,023	\$	1,387,602				
Covered employee payroll - PERS and TPAF	\$ 783,607	\$	953,074	\$	775,218	\$	591,498	\$	410,473				
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	343%		416%		475%		300%		338%				
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) associated with the Charter School	0.00%		0.01%		0.01%		0.00%		0.00%				
Charter School's contributions	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-				

#### \*\* Information not available.

Until a full ten year trend is compiled, information will be presented for those years for which information is available.

# (County of Atlantic) Notes to Required Supplementary Information Year Ended June 30, 2023

# 1. Pension – Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Benefit Changes
There were none.
Changes of Assumptions
None - The discount rate remained at 7% as of June 30, 2022 same as of June 30, 2021.
2. Pension – Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)
Benefit Changes
There were none.
Changes of Assumptions
None - The discount rate remained at 7% as of June 30, 2022 same as of June 30, 2021.
3. Other Post-Retirement Benefit Plan – Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)
Benefit Changes
There were none.
Changes of Assumptions
The discount rate changed from 2.16% as of June 30, 2021, to 3.54% as of June 30, 2022.

Other Supplementary Information

School Level Schedules

Special Revenue Fund

#### PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL Special Revenue Fund

#### Combining Schedule of Program, Revenue and Expenditures Budgetary Basis

	Title IA 2022-2023		Title SIA 2022-2023		Title III 2022-2023		I.D.E.A. Basic 2022-2023		I.D.E.A. Preschool 2022-2023		CRRSA ESSER II Grant		CRRSA ESSER II Mental Health		ARP ESSER III Grant		ARP ESSER III Accelerated Learning		SDA Emergent Capital Needs Grant		Student Activity Fund		Total	
Revenues Federal sources	\$	352,023	\$	26,700	\$	15,965	\$	183,377	\$	2,112	\$	48,812	\$	36,836	\$	475,369	\$	7,418	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1,148,612	
State sources		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		71,119		-	71,119	
Local sources Total revenues -all sources	-	352,023	S	26,700	-	15.065	-	183,377	-	2,112	-	48,812	•	26.026	-	475.260	-	7.410	-	71.110	6	-	6 1 210 721	
1 otal revenues -all sources	- 3	332,023	3	26,700	3	15,965	\$	183,3//	3	2,112	\$	48,812	\$	36,836	\$	475,369	3	7,418	3	71,119	2		\$ 1,219,731	
Expenditures Instruction																								
Salaries of teachers	\$	326,310	\$	-	\$	14,831	\$	59,354	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	26,741	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	427,236	
Purchased Prof. and technical services		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	-	
Other purchased services		750		26.700		-		-		-		46.007		-		245 000		-		-		-	220.225	
General supplies Miscellaneous expenditures		/50		26,700		-		-		-		46,887		-		245,888		-		-		-	320,225	
Total instruction	-	327,060		26,700		14,831		59,354		<del></del>	-	46,887		<del></del>		272,629	-	<del></del>		<del></del>		<del></del>	747,461	
Total institution	-	327,000	-	20,700		11,001		57,551			-	10,007				272,027			-		-		717,101	
Support services																								
Support services salaries		-		-		-		-		-		-		32,543		-		-		-		-	32,543	
Employee benefits		24,963		-		1,134		30,611				-		2,490						-		-	59,198	
Purchased professional services		-		-		-		93,412		2,112		1,925		1,803		22,934		7,418		-		-	129,604	
Other purchased services Rental		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		7,190 101,889		-		-		-	7,190 101,889	
Supplies		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		58,327		-		-		-	58,327	
Miscellaneous expenditures										- 1						36,327							36,327	
Student activities		_		_				-				_		_		_				_			_	
Total support services		24,963		-		1,134		124,023		2,112		1,925		36,836		190,340		7,418	-	-		-	388,751	
Facilities acquisition and construction services																								
Instructional equipment		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	-	
Noninstructional equipment		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		12,400		-		-		-	12,400	
Construction services		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		71,119		-	71,119	
Total facilities acquisition and construction services		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		12,400		-		71,119		-	83,519	
Total expenditures	-	352,023	-	26,700		15,965		183,377		2,112	-	48,812		36,836	-	475,369		7,418		71,119		-	1,219,731	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures				-		-																-		
Fund balances, beginning of year																						4,093	4,093	
Prior period adjustment						-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		4,093	4,093	
r nor period adjustment								<u>_</u>						<u>-</u>	_	<del></del>				<del></del>		<u>-</u>		
Fund balances, beginning of year (restated)		-		-	-	-		-		-		-		-		-		*		*		4,093	4,093	
Fund balances, end of year	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	4,093	\$ 4,093	

Capital Projects Fund At June 30, 2023, there was no capital project fund.

Enterprise Fund

### PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL Enterprise Funds

### **Combining Statement of Net Position**

### June 30, 2023

	Food Services	 After Care	 Total
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ 1,799	\$ 1,799
Accounts receivable:	-	-	=
Federal	176,309	-	176,309
State	3,982	-	3,982
Interfund receivable - general fund	(144,472)	-	(144,472)
Total current assets	\$ 35,819	\$ 1,799	\$ 37,618
Noncurrent assets:			
Machinery and equipment	56,114	-	56,114
Less: accumulated depreciation	(56,114)	-	(56,114)
Total noncurrent assets	-	-	-
Total assets	35,819	 1,799	37,618
Liabilities			
Current liabilities:			
Interfund payable - general fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ =
Accounts payable	-	-	=
Total current liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net position			
Unresricted	35,819	1,799	37,618
Total net position	\$ 35,819	\$ 1,799	\$ 37,618

### PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL Enterprise Fund

### Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position

### Year ended June 30, 2023

	Food Services	After Care	Total
Operating revenues:			
Charges for services:			
Daily sales - reimbursable programs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Daily sales - nonreimbursable programs	-	25,088	25,088
Miscellaneous revenue	2,998		2,998
Total operating revenues	2,998	25,088	28,086
Operating expenses:			
Cost of sales - reimbursable programs	281,379	-	281,379
Cost of sales - nonreimbursable programs	-	-	-
Salaries	40,669	-	40,669
Employee benefits	<u>-</u>	-	-
Professional /technical service	-	24,000	24,000
Supplies and materials	40,248	-	40,248
Depreciation		-	´-
Miscellaneous	220	-	220
Total operating expenses	362,516	24,000	386,516
Operating income (loss)	(359,518)	1,088	(358,430)
Nonoperating revenues: State sources:			
State School Breakfast Program	4,319	_	4,319
State School Lunch Program	3,652	_	3,652
Federal sources:	-	_	-
National School Lunch Program	226,930	_	226,930
National School Breakfast Program	115,325	_	115,325
After School Snacks	4,295	_	4,295
Fresh Fruits & Vegetable Program	-	_	- 1,275
Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act (HHFKA)	4,173	_	4,173
Total nonoperating revenues	358,694		358,694
roun nonoperating revenues	350,071		330,031
Net income/(loss) before contributions & transfers	(824)	1,088	264
Other financing sources:			
Transfer in/(out) - board contribution	-	_	-
. ,	-	_	
Change in net position	(824)	1,088	264
Total net position-beginning of year	36,643	711	37,354
Total net position-end of year	\$ 35,819	\$ 1,799	\$ 37,618
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### PRINCIPLE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL Enterprise Fund

### **Statement of Cash Flows**

### Year ended June 30, 2023

	Food Services	After Care		Total
Cash flows from operating activities Operating loss Adjustment to reconcile operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:	\$ (359,518)	\$ 1,088	\$	(358,430)
Depreciation expense	-	-		-
Changes in assets and liabilities: Accounts receivable Due to/(from) general fund Accounts payable Net cash used in operating activities	(154,569) 155,393 - (358,694)	711 - 1,799		(154,569) 156,104 - (356,895)
1.00 table about in opening arm into	 (350,05.)	 2,777		(550,050)
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities Cash received from state reimbursements Cash received from federal reimbursements Operating subsidies and transfers from other funds Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	 7,971 350,723 - 358,694	 - - - -	_	7,971 350,723 - 358,694
Cash flows from investing activities Purchase of kitchen equipment Net cash used in investing activities	 <u>-</u>	 <u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
Net change in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents, beginning Cash and cash equivalents, ending	\$ - - -	\$ 1,799 1,799 3,598	\$	1,799 1,799 3,598

Fiduciary Fund Not Applicable Page 108 is intentionally left blank.

Long Term Debt

### Long-Term Debt Schedule of Obligations Under Leases

### Year ended June 30, 2023

	Date			Amount	f Origi	nal Lease		Balance	Acquired	Retired	F	Balance
	of Original Issue	Term o From	of Lease To	Principal		Interest	Interest Rate	utstanding ne 30, 2022	Current Year	Current Year		tstanding e 30, 2023
Leased building	9/1/2017	9/1/2017	8/31/2024	\$ 3,834,42	7 \$	756,198	5.25%	\$ 1,371,832	\$ -	\$ 661,074	\$	710,758
Chromebooks (Financial Purchase)	9/1/2019	9/1/2019	8/31/2022	111,73	)	16,160	4.82%	12,416	-	12,416		-
								 		. (72.100		
								\$ 1,384,248	\$ -	\$ 673,490	\$	710,758

**Statistical Section** 

### Net Assets By Component Last Eight Fiscal Years

(accrual basis of accounting)

(Unaudited)

								Fiscal Year	Ende	ed June 30,						
		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016
Governmental activities																
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$	197,204	\$	24,226	\$	311,036	S	318,040	\$	348,141	S	216,133	\$	147,899	\$	165,693
Restricted	-	4,093	*	187,426	-	117,868	-	9,535	•	-	-	-	*	-	-	-
Unrestricted		355,659		168,137		171,289		(617,585)		(245,302)		583,507		632,726		2,639
Total governmental activities net position	\$	556,956	\$	379,789	\$	600,193	\$	(290,010)	\$	102,839	\$	799,640	\$	780,625	\$	168,332
Business-type activities																
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Restricted		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Unrestricted		37,618		37,354		7,900		7,190		7,190		52,997		50,149		135
Total business-type activities	\$	37,618	\$	37,354	\$	7,900	\$	7,190	\$	7,190	\$	52,997	\$	50,149	\$	135
School-wide																
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$	197,204	\$	24,226	\$	311,036	\$	318,040	\$	348,141	\$	216,133	\$	147,899	\$	165,693
Restricted		4,093		187,426		117,868		9,535		-		-		_		-
Unrestricted		393,277		205,491		179,189		(610,395)		(238,112)		636,504		682,875		2,774
Total charter school net position	\$	594,574	\$	417,143	\$	608,093	\$	(282,820)	\$	110,029	\$	852,637	\$	830,774	\$	168,467

#### Note

#### Changes In Net Position Last Eight Fiscal Years

(accrual basis of accounting)
(Unaudited)

							Fiscal Y	ear Ei	nded June 30,						
	2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016
Expenses Governmental activities Instruction Regular	\$ 4,799,987	\$	5,950,727	s	5,842,534	s	3,477,806	s	2,904,218	\$	2,163,452	s	2,030,188	s	1,561,983
regum	• 1,722,207	Ψ	5,750,727		5,012,551	Ψ	3,177,000	Ψ	2,701,210	Ψ	2,103,132	Ψ	2,030,100		1,001,700
Support Services:															
General administration	2,658,402		1,773,207		1,631,792		1,927,255		1,377,773		1,185,282		945,640		1,002,412
School administrative services	2,876,732		2,044,546		2,359,763		3,527,734		2,755,982		1,798,483		1,208,924		1,052,839
On-behalf TPAF/FICA Reimbursements	1,024,181		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Capital outlay			212,074		33,335		-		-		-		-		-
Unallocated depreciation	58,471		512,163		12,752		12,164		5,170		-		-		-
Total governmental activities expenses	11,417,773	-	10,492,717		9,880,176		8,944,959		7,043,143	-	5,147,217		4,184,752		3,617,234
Business-type activities:															
Food service	362,516		449,460		-		309,812		363,095		268,907		229,803		187,284
Child Care	24,000		12,233		155,669		7,822		26,567		4,505		´-		´-
Total business-type activities expense	386,516		461,693		155,669		317,634		389,662		273,412		229,803		187,284
Total charter school expenses	\$ 11,804,289	\$	10,954,410	\$	10,035,845	\$	9,262,593	\$	7,432,805	\$	5,420,629	\$	4,414,555	\$	3,804,518
Program Revenues Governmental activities: Charges for services: Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenues	\$ 1,219,731 - 1,219,731	\$	2,840,064 - 2,840,064	\$	2,246,864	\$	1,514,477 - 1,514,477	\$	818,797 - 818,797	\$	415,949 - 415,949	\$	419,022	\$	446,516 61,039 507,555
Business-type activities:															
Charges for services															
Food service	2,998		-		-		-		-		9,560		-		1,748
Child care	25,088		-		710		7,822		26,567		4,505		-		-
Operating grants and contributions	358,694		378,410		57,169		228,879		317,288		262,195		222,932		127,724
Capital grants and contributions			-				-				-				
Total business type activities program revenues	386,780		378,410		57,879		236,701		343,855		276,260		222,932		129,472
Total charter school program revenues	\$ 1,606,511	\$	3,218,474	\$	2,304,743	\$	1,751,178	\$	1,162,652	\$	692,209	\$	641,954	\$	637,027
Net (Expense)/Revenue															
Governmental activities	\$ (10,198,042)	\$	(7,652,653)	\$	(7,633,312)	\$	(7,430,482)	\$	(6,224,346)	\$	(4,731,268)	\$	(3,765,730)	\$	(3,109,679)
Business-type activities	264		(83,283)		(97,790)		(80,933)		(45,807)		2,848		(6,871)		(57,812)
Total charter school-wide net expense	\$ (10,197,778)	\$	(7,735,936)	\$	(7,731,102)	\$	(7,511,415)	\$	(6,270,153)	\$	(4,728,420)	\$	(3,772,601)	\$	(3,167,491)

#### Changes In Net Position Last Eight Fiscal Years

(accrual basis of accounting)
(Unaudited)

						Fiscal Y	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,						
	· ·	2023		2022	2021	 2020		2019		2018		2017	2016
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position Governmental activities:						 							 _
Property taxes levied for general purposes, net	\$	3,041,348	\$	3,057,831	\$ 3,126,523	\$ 2,668,239	\$	1,880,688	\$	1,994,785	\$	1,979,268	\$ -
Grants and contributions		6,829,076		4,717,707	4,645,055	4,427,762		3,604,187		2,717,110		2,434,823	3,333,044
Miscellaneous income		42,580		6,540	5,795	13,031		42,670		38,387		20,817	2,915
Transfers		-		(99,670)	746,142	(80,933)		-		-		(56,885)	(57,947)
Total governmental activities	_	9,913,004		7,682,408	8,523,515	7,028,099		5,527,545		4,750,282	_	4,378,023	3,278,012
Business-type activities: Miscellaneous income				13,141									
Transfers		-		99,670	98,500	80,933		-		-		56,885	57,947
Total business-type activities		-		112,811	98,500	80,933		-		-		56,885	57,947
Total charter school-wide	\$	9,913,004	\$	7,795,219	\$ 8,622,015	\$ 7,109,032	\$	5,527,545	\$	4,750,282	\$	4,434,908	\$ 3,335,959
Change in Net Position													
Governmental activities	\$	(285,038)	\$	142,566	\$ 988,703	\$ (321,450)	\$	(696,801)	\$	19,014	\$	669,178	\$ 226,280
Business-type activities		264		(83,283)	(97,790)	(80,933)		(45,807)		2,848		(6,871)	(57,812)
Total charter school	\$	(284,774)	\$	59,283	\$ 890,913	\$ (402,383)	\$	(742,608)	\$	21,862	\$	662,307	\$ 168,468

<sup>\*\*\*\*\*</sup> For 2016, the operating period was January 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

#### Note

### Fund Balances - Governmental Funds Last Eight Fiscal Years

(modified accrual basis of accounting)
(Unaudited)

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023 2022 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017 2016 General Fund Unreserved \$ 1,876,597 1,374,510 \$ 1,278,756 24,997 1,063 485,734 532,493 (237,114)Reserved 233,333 108,333 108,333 108,333 108,333 120,583 244,780 Total general fund 1,876,597 1,607,843 1,387,089 133,330 109,396 594,067 653,076 7,666 All Other Governmental Funds Reserved Unreserved, reported in: Special revenue fund 4,093 9,535 Capital projects fund

9,535

Source: Charter School's Records

Debt service fund Permanent fund Total all other governmental funds

#### Note

Until a full ten year trend is compiled, information will be presented for those years for which information is available.

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### Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds Last Eight Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

								Fiscal Yea	ar End	ed June 30,						
Function		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016
Revenues																
Local tax levy	\$	3,041,348	\$	3,057,831	\$	3,126,523	\$	2,668,239	\$	1,880,688	\$	1,994,785	\$	1,979,268	\$	_
Miscellaneous	Ψ	42,580	Ψ	6,540	Ψ	5,795	Ψ	13,031	Ψ	42,670	Ψ	38,387	Ψ	20,817	Ψ	3,515
State sources		6,900,195		5,836,414		5,331,518		4,858,770		4,029,134		2,786,011		4,493,184		3,333,044
Federal sources		1,148,612		1,197,151		782,583		326,538		301,494		347,049		339,929		506,955
Total revenue		11,132,735	-	10,097,936	-	9,246,419		7,866,578	-	6,253,986		5,166,232		6,833,198		3,843,514
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Expenditures																
Instruction		4,799,987		4,096,246		4,140,824		3,687,701		3,174,745		2,167,137		2,000,807		1,552,714
Administration		3,067,325		2,499,068		1,874,748		2,328,794		1,792,934		1,248,942		1,021,231		995,191
Support Services		2,877,573		2,397,066		2,660,387		1,738,501		1,612,251		1,720,528		1,129,597		1,052,057
Capital Outlay		119,095		212,074		62,844		118,454		158,727		88,634		-		177,939
Total expenditures		10,863,980		9,204,454		8,738,803		7,873,450		6,738,657		5,225,241		4,151,635		3,777,901
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues																
over expenditures		268,755		893,482		507,616		(6,872)		(484,671)		(59,009)		2,681,563		65,613
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):																
Operating transfers in/(out)		-		(99,670)		(98,500)		30,806		-		-		(56,885)		(57,947)
Paycheck Protection Program Loan		-		-		- 1		-		-		-		-		- 1
forgiveness (non-budgeted)		-		-		853,675		-		-		-		-		-
Interest expense forgiven (non-budgeted		-		-		(9,033)		-		-		-		-		-
Principal payments on leases		(661,074)		(500,009)		-		-		-		-		-		-
Interest payments on leases		(56,635)		(78,491)						_						
Total other financing sources/(uses)		(717,709)		(678,170)		746,142		30,806				-		(56,885)		(57,947)
Net change in fund balances	\$	(448,954)	\$	215,312	\$	1,253,758	\$	23,934	\$	(484,671)	\$	(59,009)	\$	2,624,678	\$	7,666
Debt service as a percentage of																
noncapital expenditures		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%

Source: Charter School's Records

Note

### General Fund Other Local Revenue by Source Last Eight Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

Function	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Other local revenues Miscellaneous	\$ 42,580	\$ 6,540	\$ 5,795	\$ 13,031	\$ 42,670	\$ 38,387	\$ 20,817	\$ 2,915
Total other local revenue	\$ 42,580	\$ 6,540	\$ 5,795	\$ 13,031	\$ 42,670	\$ 38,387	\$ 20,817	\$ 2,915

Source: Charter School's Records

#### Note

County of Atlantic, New Jersey

### Ratio of Outstanding Debt By Type Last Eight Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

Business-Type Activities Governmental Activities General Obligation Fiscal Year Ended Certificates of Total Charter Percentage of Bonds b Personal Income a June 30, Participation Capital Leases Loans Payable Capital Leases School Per Capita a \$ \$ 2016 0.00% 2017 0.00% 2018 0.00%2019 0.00% 2020 86,909 844,642 931,551 0.00%2021 49,663 49,663 0.00%2022 12,416 12,416 0.00% 2023 0.00%

Note: Details regarding the Charter School's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

#### Note

# Demographic and Economic Statistics Last Eight Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

				Pe	er Capita	
				Perso	onal Income	Unemployment
Year	Population <sup>a</sup>	Pe	ersonal Income b		С	Rate d
			_			
2016	42,920	\$	1,899,381,680	\$	44,254	9.00%
2017	42,651		1,974,911,904		46,304	6.40%
2018	42,439		2,041,740,290		48,110	5.30%
2019	42,245		2,164,929,515		51,247	4.50%
2020	42,105		2,349,543,210		55,802	17.80%
2021	47,733		2,663,596,866		55,802	8.80%
2022	47,733		2,663,596,866		55,802	8.80%
2023	47,733		2,663,596,866		55,802	8.80%

### **Source:**

### Note

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

b Personal income has been estimated based upon the municipal population and per capita personal income presented

c Personal capital income by municipality estimated based upon the 2010 Census published by the US Bureau of Economic Analysis.

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

# Principal Employers Current Year (Unaudited)

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		2023	
		a	a
<u>Employer</u>	Employees	Rank [Optional]	Percentage of Total Municipal Employment
Information not available.			
	<del>-</del>		0.00%

a Information not available.

## Full-Time Equivalent Charter School Employees by Function/Program Last Eight Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

				Fiscal Year	<b>Ended June</b>	30,		
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Function/Program								
Instruction								
Regular	45	45	49	32	35	35	23	20
Special education	4	4	3	5	8	8	6	5
Support Services:								
Student & instruction related services	7	7	4	15	6	6	5	3
School administrative services	8	8	3	11	4	4	3	4
Plant operations and maintenance	6	6	4	2	2	2	3	2
Other support services	-	-	-	-	2	2	3	4
Food Service	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Total	72	72	65	67	59	59	45	39

**Source:** Charter School Personnel Records

### Note

### **Operating Statistics**

### Last Eight Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

### Pupil/Teacher Ratio

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Enrollment	Operating penditures <sup>a</sup>	ost Per Pupil	Percentage Change	Teaching Staff <sup>b</sup>	Kindergarten	Elementary	Average Daily Enrollment (ADE) <sup>c</sup>	Average Daily Attendance (ADA)	% Change in Average Daily Enrollment	Student Attendance Percentage
2016	249	\$ 3,599,962	\$ 14,458	0.00%	18	12:3	14:1	249	236	0.00%	94.78%
2017	341	4,151,634	12,175	15.32%	26	12:3	13:1	328	312	31.73%	95.12%
2018	376	5,136,607	13,661	23.72%	26	12:3	14:1	348	312	6.10%	89.66%
2019	408	6,579,930	16,127	28.10%	26	12:3	16:1	404	380	16.09%	94.06%
2020	474	7,754,996	16,361	17.86%	32	12:3	15:1	474	453	17.33%	95.57%
2021	527	8,675,959	16,463	11.88%	52	12:3	10:1	427	501	-9.92%	117.33%
2022	464	8,992,380	19,380	3.65%	49	12:3	9:1	467	452	9.37%	96.79%
2023	465	10,744,885	23,107	19.49%	49	12:3	9:1	467	452	0.00%	96.79%

Sources: Charter School records

Note: Enrollment based on annual June Charter School count.

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

- b Teaching staff includes only full-time equivalents of certificated staff.
- c Average daily enrollment and average daily atten

#### Note

**County of Atlantic, New Jersey** 

### School Building Information Last Eight Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

Fiscal Year Ended June 30.

				riscai i cai	Ended June 30	,		
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Square Feet	27,281	27,281	27,281	27,281	27,281	27,281	27,281	27,281
Capacity (students)	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600
Enrollment	465	464	527	474	408	376	341	249

Source: School Records

# Schedule of Required Maintenance Expenditures By School Facility Last Eight Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

2016	Not Available
2017	Not Available
2018	Not Available
2019	Not Available
2020	Not Available
2021	Not Available
2022	Not Available
2023	1,293,438
Total	\$ 1,293,438

Source: Charter School records

<sup>\*</sup> School facilities as defined under EFCFA. (N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1.2 and N.J.A.C. 6A:26A-1.3)

### **Insurance Schedule**

### June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

	Coverage
Commercial property and general liability:	
Property:	
Personal Property	\$ 1,075,000
Business Income	3,450,000
Electronic Data Processing - Equipment Owned	60,000
Electronic Data Processing - Equipment In Transit	10,000
Employee Dishonesty	200,000
Forgery or Alteration	5,000
Building	8,100,000
Commercial General Liability:	
General Aggregate	3,000,000
Personal & Advertising Injury Limit	1,000,000
Damage to Premises Rented by Insured	300,000
Medical Expense Limit Per Person	5,000
Employee Benefits Liability	1,000,000
Abuse Sublimit - Per Person Limit	1,000,000
Abuse Sublimit - Aggregate Limit	1,000,000
Automobile	1,000,000
Umbrella Liability:	
Each Occurrence Limit	1,000,000
General Aggregate	1,000,000
Retained Limit	10,000
Workman's Compensation:	
Each Accident	1,000,000
Disease Policy Limit	1,000,000
Disease Each Employee	1,000,000
Directors & Officers:	
Each Occurrence Limit	3,000,000
Retained Limit	5,000

Source: Charter School Records

### Charter School Performance Framework Financial Indicators New Term Indicators

### June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

	2023	2022	2021	
Cash Current assets Capital assets, net Total assets	\$ 1,179,759 868,929 346,826 2,395,514	\$ 496,738 1,283,241 - 1,779,979	\$ 1,100,931 542,808 - 1,643,739	
Current liabilities Long term liabilities Total liabilities	841,138 - 841,138	130,689	239,215	
Net position	\$ 1,554,376	\$ 1,649,290	\$ 1,404,524	
Total revenue Total expenses Change in net position	11,519,515 (11,342,084) 177,431	\$ 11,013,693 (10,954,410) 59,283	10,926,758 (10,035,845) 890,913	
Depreciation expense Interest expense Principal payments Interest payments	\$ 58,471 - - -	\$ 74,497 - - -	\$ 73,759 - - -	
Final average daily enrollment March 30th budgeted enrollment	465 555	467 555	527 530	
NEAD TERM INDICATIONS	2023	 2022	 2021	Three Year Cumulative
NEAR TERM INDICATORS: Current ratio Unrestricted days cash Enrollment variance Default	2.44 37.97 84% N/A	13.62 16.55 84% N/A	6.87 40.04 99% N/A	22.93 94.56 89% N/A

Source: Charter School Records

### Charter School Performance Framework Financial Indicators Sustainability Indicators

June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)

		2023		2022		2021	
Cash	\$	1,179,759	\$	496,738	\$	1,100,931	
Current assets		868,929		1,283,241		542,808	
Capital assets, net		346,826					
Total assets		2,395,514		1,779,979		1,643,739	
Current liabilities Long term liabilities		841,138		130,689		239,215	
Total liabilities		841,138		130,689		239,215	
Net position	\$	1,554,376	\$	1,649,290	\$	1,404,524	
Total revenue		11,519,515	\$	11,013,693	\$	10,926,758	
Total expenses Change in net position	\$	(11,342,084) 177,431	\$	(10,954,410) 59,283	\$	(10,035,845) 890,913	
Demociation amount	\$	50 471	\$	74.407	\$	72 750	
Depreciation expense Interest expense	Ф	58,471	Ф	74,497	Ф	73,759	
Principal payments		_		_		_	
Interest payments		-		-		-	
Final average daily enrollment		465		467		527	
March 30th budgeted enrollment		555		555		530	
		2023		2022		2021	hree Year umulative
SUSTAINABILITY INDICATO	RS:				-		
Total margin		2%		1%		8%	3%
Debt to asset		N/A		N/A		N/A	N/A
Cash flow	\$	683,021	\$	(604,193)	\$	458,529	\$ 537,357
Debt service coverage ratio		N/A		N/A		N/A	N/A

Source: Charter School Records

Single Audit Section

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K-1

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

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Principle Academy Charter School County of Atlantic Egg Harbor, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Principle Academy Charter School ("the Charter School"), in the County of Atlantic, 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, and have issued our report thereon, dated December 17, 2023.

### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Charter School's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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 matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey*.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Charter School's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey* in considering the Charter School's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Olugbenga Olabintan, CPA

December 17, 2023 Newark, New Jersey

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K-2

Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program; Report on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by The Uniform Guidance and State of New Jersey OMB's Circular Letter 15-08

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Principle Academy Charter School County of Atlantic, Egg Harbor, New Jersey

### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program

### Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

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

In our opinion, the Charter School complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal and state programs for the fiscal 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; audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey; 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 audit requirements of New Jersey 0MB Circular 15-08, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid.

Those standards, the Uniform Guidance, State of New Jersey Department of Treasury Circular 15-08-OMB and *audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey* require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal or state program occurred. 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 the Charter School and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. I 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 and state program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the 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, regulation, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the 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 the 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, audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, U.S. Uniform Guidance and New Jersey 0MB 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 omission, misrepresentation, 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 the Charter School's compliance with the requirements of each major federal and state program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, U.S. Uniform Guidance, and New Jersey 0MB Circular 15-08, we:

• Exercise professional judgement 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 the 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 the 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 U.S.
  Uniform Guidance and New Jersey 0MB Circular 15-08, but not for the purpose of
  expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 I 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 assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the 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 U.S. Uniform Guidance, State of New Jersey Department of Treasury Circular 15-08-OMB and *audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey*. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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December 17, 2023 Newark, New Jersey

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#### Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

### Year ended June 30, 2023

Federal Grant/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Federal Award Identification Number	Grant Period	Award Amount	(Accounts Receivable) at June 30, 2022	Deferred Revenue at June 30, 2022	Due to Grantor at June 30, 2022	Adjustments	Carryover (Walkover) Amount	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Repayment of Prior Years' Balances	(Accounts Receivable) at June 30, 2023	Deferred Revenue at June 30, 2023	Due to Grantor at June 30, 2023
Special Revenue Fund:															
U.S. Department of Education, Pass Through Program	ns:														
Passed-Through New Jersey State Department of Edu	ıcation														
Title I Part A - FY 2022-2023	84.010A	S010A220030	7/1/22-9/30/23	352,023	-	_		_		281,834	(352,023)	_	(70,189)		_
Title SIA - FY 2022-2023	84.010A	S010A220030	7/1/22-9/30/23	26,700		-	-	_	-	23,405	(26,700)		(3,295)	_	_
Title III - FY 2021-2022	84.365	S365A220030	7/1/22-9/30/23	15,965	_	-	_	_	-	15,965	(15,965)		-	_	_
IDEA Part B - FY 2022-2023	84.027A	H027A220100	7/1/22-9/30/23	183,377	_	-	_	_	-	54,347	(183,377)		(129,030)	_	_
IDEA Preschool - FY 2022-2023	84.173A	H173A220114	7/1/22-9/30/23	2,112		_	-	_	-	2,112	(2,112)		-	_	_
CRRSA-ESSER II	84.425D	S425D210027	3/13/20-9/30/23	790,607	(790,607)			141,199		649,408	(48,812)		(48,812)	_	-
CRRSA-ESSER II, Learning Acceleration	84.425D	S425D210027	3/13/20-9/30/23	50,737	(1,925)			,		1,925	(10,01=)	-	(,)	_	-
CRRSA-ESSER II, Mental Health	84.425D	S425D210027	3/13/20-9/30/23	45,000	(8,165)	-	-		-	9,306	(36,836)	-	(35,695)	_	-
ARP ESSER III	84.425U	S425U210027	3/1/20-9/30/24	1,776,837	(108,338)	-	-		-	522,404	(475,369)		(61,303)	_	-
ARP ESSER III, Learning Acceleration	84.425U	S425U210027	3/1/20-9/30/24	69,940	(,)					7,188	(7,418)		(230)		
The Loolet III, Leaning Recordance	01.1230	51250210027	3/1/20 3/30/21	0,,,10		-	-	_	-	7,100	(7,110)	-	(250)	-	-
Title I Part A - FY 2021-2022	84.010A	S010A210030	7/1/21-9/30/22	317,765	(85,788)	-	-		-	85,788	_	-	-	_	-
IDEA Part B - FY 2021-2022	84.027A	H027A220100	7/1/21-9/30/22	133,706	(53,237)			1,000		52,237					
15211411 5 11 2021 2022	01.02711	1102/11220100	77 17 21 77 307 22	155,700	(33,237)			-,000		52,257					
Total Special Revenue Fund/Subtotal, U.S. Departmen	nt of Education, Pa	ss Through Programs	:		(1,048,060)	-		142,199		1,705,919	(1,148,612)		(348,554)	-	
Total Passed-Through New Jersey Department of Edu	ucation				(1,048,060)			142,199		1,705,919	(1,148,612)		(348,554)		
Enterprise Fund:															
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Pass-Through Progra															
Passed-Through New Jersey State Department of Ag															
National School Lunch Program	10.555	231NJ304N1199	7/1/22-6/30/23	226,930	-	-	-	-	-	113,095	(226,930)	-	(113,835)	-	-
National School Lunch Program	10.555	221NJ304N1099	7/1/21-6/30/22	227,288	(18,962)	-	-	-	-	18,962	-	-	-	-	-
National School Lunch Program	10.555	201NJ304N1099	7/1/19-6/30/20	148,746	-	-	1,968	-	-	-	-	(1,968)	-	-	-
After School Snacks	10.555	231NJ304N1199	7/1/22-6/30/23	4,295	-	-	-	-	-	1,317	(4,295)	-	(2,978)	-	-
After School Snacks	10.555	221NJ304N1099	7/1/21-6/30/22	2,647	(132)	-	-	-	-	132	-	-	-	-	-
Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act	10.555	231NJ304N1199	7/1/22-6/30/23	4,173	-	-	-	-	-	2,079	(4,173)	-	(2,094)	-	-
Subtotal Assistance Listing # 10.555					(19,094)		1,968			135,585	(235,398)	(1,968)	(118,907)	-	
School Breakfast Program	10.553	231NJ304N1199	7/1/22-6/30/23	115,325	_	_		_	_	57,923	(115,325)		(57,402)	_	_
School Breakfast Program	10.553	221NJ304N1099	7/1/21-6/30/22	90,748	(6,192)	-	-		-	6,192	(,)		(**,**=)	_	_
School Breakfast Program	10.553	201NJ304N1099	7/1/19-6/30/20	76,767	-	-	1,030	-	-	-	-	(1,030)	-	-	-
Subtotal Assistance Listing # 10.553					(6,192)		1,030	-		64,115	(115,325)	(1,030)	(57,402)		
Total Enterprise Fund/Total U.S. Department of Agri	iculture, Pass-Thro	ugh Programs			(25,286)		2,998	-		199,700	(350,723)	(2,998)	(176,309)		
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards		-			\$ (1,073,346)	s -	\$ 2,998	\$ 142,199	s -	\$ 1,905,619	\$ (1,499,335)	\$ (2,998)	\$ (524,863)	s -	s -

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

#### Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance

#### Year ended June 30, 2023

State Grantor/Program Title	Grant or State Project Number	Grant Period	Award Amount	(Accounts Receivable) at June 30, 2022	Deferred Revenue at June 30, 2022	Due to Grantor at June 30, 2022	Adjustments	Carryover (Walkover) Amount	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Repayment of Prior Years' Balances	(Accounts Receivable) at June 30, 2023	Deferred Revenue at June 30, 2023	Due to Grantor at June 30, 2023
N. I. GUAD. A SEL C		-												
New Jersey State Department of Education General Fund:														
Equalization Aid	23-495-034-5120-078	7/1/22-6/30/23	\$ 8,182,563	s -	S -	s -	s -	s -	\$ 8,292,093	\$ (8,182,563)	S -	\$ (62,666)	s -	\$ 46,864
Equalization Aid	22-495-034-5120-078	7/1/21-6/30/22	4,272,585	(31,800)	-	127,691	-	-	31,800	- (0,10=,000)	(127,691)	- (,)	-	-
Special Education Aid	23-495-034-5120-089	7/1/22-6/30/23	246,313	-	_	-	-	-	246,313	(246,313)	-	_	-	_
Security Aid	23-495-034-5120-084	7/1/22-6/30/23	239,564	-	_	-	-	-	239,564	(239,564)	-	-	_	-
TPAF/FICA Reimbursements	23-495-034-5094-003	7/1/22-6/30/23	177,803	-	_	-	-	-	113,642	(177,803)	-	(64,161)	_	-
TPAF/FICA Reimbursements	22-495-034-5094-003	7/1/21-6/30/22	180,792	(17,838)	-	-	-	-	17,838		-	-	-	-
TPAF Post Retirement Medical Contribution	23-495-034-5094-001	7/1/22-6/30/23	212,900	-	-	-	-	-	212,900	(212,900)	-	-	-	-
TPAF Pension Contribution - Normal & NCGI	23-495-034-5094-002	7/1/22-6/30/23	810,440	-	-	-	-	-	810,440	(810,440)	-	-	-	-
TPAF Long Term Disability Insurance Premium	23-495-034-5094-004	7/1/22-6/30/23	841						841	(841)				
Total General Fund/Total State Department of E	ducation			(49,638)		127,691			9,965,431	(9,870,424)	(127,691)	(126,827)		46,864
Special Revenue Fund: Charter & Renaissance School Project Emergent and Capital Maintenance Funds	23-495-034-5120-071	7/1/22-6/30/23	71,119	-	-	-	-	-	71,119	(71,119)	-	-	-	-
Total Special Revenue Fund									71,119	(71,119)				
1 otai Speciai Revenue Fund							<del></del>		/1,119	(/1,119)				
Total New Jersey State Department of Education				(49,638)		127,691			10,036,550	(9,941,543)	(127,691)	(126,827)	-	46,864
New Jersey State Department of Agriculture - Di Enterprise Fund:	rect Programs													
State School lunch program	23-100-010-3350-023	7/1/22-6/30/23	3,652	-	-	-	-	-	1,820	(3,652)	-	(1,832)	-	-
State School lunch program	22-100-010-3350-023	7/1/21-6/30/22	26,271	(26,271)	-	-	-	-	26,271	-	-	-	-	-
State School breakfast - after bell program	23-100-010-3350-023	7/1/22-6/30/23	4,319	-	-	-	-	-	2,169	(4,319)	-	(2,150)	-	-
Total Enterprise Fund/Total State Department of Ag	griculture - Direct Programs			(26,271)					30,260	(7,971)		(3,982)		
Total State Financial Assistance				\$ (75,909)	s -	\$ 127,691	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,066,810	(9,949,514)	\$ (127,691)	\$ (130,809)	\$ -	\$ 46,864
Less Amounts Not Subject to Single Audit: TPAF Post Retirement Medical Contribution TPAF Pension Contribution - Normal & NCGI TPAF Long Term Disability Insurance Premium										212,900 810,440 841				
Total Expenditures of State Financial Assistance	Subject to Single Audit									\$ (8,925,333)				

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

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Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance Year Ended June 30, 2023

### 1. General

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance present the activity of all expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance of the Charter School. All federal awards and state financial assistance 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.

### 2. Basis of Accounting

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are presented on the budgetary basis of accounting with the exception of programs recorded in the enterprise fund, which are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. These bases of accounting are described in Note 1 to the Charter School's basic financial statements. The information in these schedules is presented in accordance with the 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 provisions of New Jersey Department of the Treasury Circular Letter 15-08 OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid.* Therefore, some amounts presented in the schedules may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

### 3. Relationship to Basic Financial Statements

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules agree with amounts reported in the Charter School's basic financial statements. The basic financial statements present the general fund and special revenue fund on a GAAP basis. Budgetary comparison statements and 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 fiscal year, whereas for GAAP reporting, revenue is not recognized until the subsequent year or expenditures have been made. The general fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on the modified accrual basis. The special revenue fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on the grant accounting budgetary basis, which recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenues, whereas the GAAP basis does not. The net adjustment to reconcile from the budgetary basis to GAAP basis is \$-0- for the general fund and \$-0- for the special revenue fund. See Note 1 (the Notes to Required Supplementary Information) for a reconciliation of the budgetary basis to the modified accrual basis of accounting for the general and special revenue funds (C-3).

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### Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance Year Ended June 30, 2023

### 3. Relationship to Basic Financial Statements - continued

Federal awards and state financial assistance revenues are reported in the Charter School's basic financial statements on a GAAP basis as follows:

	Federal	<b>State</b>	<b>Total</b>
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 9,870,424	\$ 9,870,424
Special Revenue Fund	1,148,612	71,119	1,219,731
Enterprise Fund	350,723	7,971	358,694
Total	\$ 1,499,335	\$ 9,949,514	\$ 11,448,849

### 4. Relationship to Federal and State Financial Reports

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

### 5. Other

TPAF Social Security contribution in the amount of \$177,803 represents the amount reimbursed by the State for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The amount reported as TPAF pension representing on-behalf employer's portion of the Pension System Contributions, Post-Retirement Medical Benefits Contributions and Long-Term Disability Insurance Premium Contributions in the amount of \$1,024,181 represents the amount paid by the State on behalf of the Charter School for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

### 6. On-Behalf Programs not Subject to State Single Audit

On-behalf state programs for TPAF Pension and Post-Retirement Medical Benefits Contributions are not subject to a state single audit and therefore are excluded from major program determination. The schedule of expenditures 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.

### 7. De Minimis Indirect Cost

The Charter School has not elected to use the ten percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

### (County of Atlantic) Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended June 30, 2023

### Part I Summary of Auditors' Results

### **Financial Statements Section**

Type of auditors' rep Internal control over			Unmodified					
Material weakne	esses identified?		Yes		No			
Significant defic	iencies identified?		Yes		None reported			
Noncompliance mate	erial to basic financial stat	ements noted?	Yes	_	No			
Federal Awards Se	ction							
Internal control ove	r major programs:							
Material weakne	esses identified?	Yes		No				
Significant defic	ciencies identified?	Yes		None reported				
Type of auditors' remajor programs:	port issued on complian	ce for	<u>Un</u>	modified	<u>d</u>			
•	disclosed that are requirence with 2 CFR 200.516		Yes	_	No			
Identification of ma Assistance Listing	jor programs:							
Number(s) 84.010A 84.425D	FAIN Number(s) S010A220030 S425D210027	Title IA an Coronaviru	Federal Program or Cluster and Title I SIA irus Response and Relief Supplemental					
84.425U	S425U210027	,	CRRSA) ESSER II Rescue Plan (ARP) ESSER III					
Dollar threshold use Type B programs:	ed to distinguish between	Type A and	<u>\$750,000</u>					
Auditee qualifies as	low-risk auditee?	<b>∨</b> _Yes		No				

# (County of Atlantic) Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended June 30, 2023

### Part I Summary of Auditors' Results

### **State Financial Assistance Section**

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and B p	rograms: <u>\$750,000</u>
Auditee qualifies as low-risk auditee?	Yes No
Type of auditor's report on compliance for major programs:	<u>Unmodified</u>
Internal control over major programs:	
Material weaknesses identified?	Yes <b>v</b> No
Significant deficiencies identified?	Yes None reported
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with NJ OMB Circulars 15-08 as applicable?	YesNo
Identification of Major Programs:	
State Grant/Program Number(s)	Name of State Program or Cluster
23-495-034-5120-078 23-495-034-5120-089 23-495-034-5120-084	Equalization Aid Special Education Aid Security Aid

# (County of Atlantic) Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended June 30, 2023

### Part III – Schedules of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance

None.

(County of Atlantic) Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings Year Ended June 30, 2023

No findings in the prior year.