ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL OF NEW JERSEY

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February 15, 2024

The Honorable Chairman and
Members of the Board of Trustees
College Achieve Paterson Charter School
County of Passaic
Paterson, New Jersey

Dear Board Members:

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

The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report is presented in four sections: introductory, financial, statistical and single audit. The introductory section includes this transmittal letter and list of principal officials. The financial section includes the general-purpose financial statements and schedules, as well as the auditor's report. The statistical section includes audited data from the school's first six fiscal years. The school is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the requirements of 2 CFR 200-Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (U.S. Uniform Guidance), "Audits of State and Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations," and the State Treasury Circular Letter 15-08 OMB, "Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid Payments." Information related to this single audit, including the auditors' reports on internal control and compliance with applicable laws and regulations and findings and recommendations is included in the single audit section of this report.

1) <u>REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES</u> The College Achieve Paterson Charter School constitutes an independent reporting entity within the criteria adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). All funds and account groups of the entity are included in this report.

2) ENROLLMENT OUTLOOK: College Achieve Paterson Charter School opened in 2017 serving 276 scholars grades K, 1st, 5th and 6th. College Achieve has grown since then to 1294 scholars in grades K-11 and plans to grow one grade per year until fully enrolled as a K-12 school with 1,925 scholars.

3) MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

College Achieve Paterson Charter School opened in 2017. Since then we have grown significantly and are most proud about the following accomplishments:

- College Achieve Paterson outperformed the state of NJ in English language arts in tested grades 3rd 9th.
- College Achieve Paterson's growth in Mathematics is above the 90th percentile in the state.
- College Achieve Paterson continues to be a Tier 1 charter school, the highest ranking given by the state of New Jersey.
- 4) INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS: Management of the Charter School is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure designed to ensure that the assets of the school are protected from loss, theft or misuse and to ensure that adequate accounting data are compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The internal control structure is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits to be derived: and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

As a recipient of federal and state financial assistance, the school also is responsible for ensuring that an adequate control structure is in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to those programs. This internal control structure is also subject to periodic evaluation by the school management.

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

5) <u>BUDGETARY CONTROLS:</u> In addition to internal accounting controls, the school maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by the school and the State of New Jersey. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general fund and the special revenue fund. The final budget amount as amended for the fiscal period reflected in the financial section.

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

- as reappropriations of fund balance in the subsequent year. Those amounts to be reappropriated are reported as reservations of fund balances at June 30, 2023.
- 6) ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND REPORTS: The Charter Schools' accounting records reflect generally accepted accounting principles, as promulgated by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The accounting system of the school is organized on the basis of funds and account groups. These funds and account groups are explained in the Notes to the Financial Statements.
- **FINANCIAL INFORMATION AT FISCAL PERIOD—END:** As demonstrated by the various statements and schedules included in the financial section of report, the school has met its responsibility for sound financial management. The following schedule presents a summary of the General, Special Revenue and Proprietary Funds for the fiscal period ended June 30, 2023.

Revenue	Amount	Percent of Total
Local and State Aid	\$24,586,502	78%
Special Revenue Fund – Federal	6,061,519	20%
Misc.	51,701	0%
Proprietary Fund	675,535	2%
Total	\$31,375,257	100%

The following schedule presents a summary of the General, Special Revenue and Proprietary Funds expenditures for the fiscal period ended June 30, 2023.

Expenditures	Amount	Percent of Total		
General Fund	\$23,343,939	78%		
Special Revenue Fund	6,247,412	20%		
Proprietary Fund	681,631	2%		
Total	\$30,272,982	100%		

8) <u>CASH MANAGEMENT:</u> The investment policy of the school is guided in large part by the state Statute as detailed in "Notes to the Financial Statements". The school had adopted a cash management plan, which requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect Governmental Units from a loss of funds on deposit with failed banking institutions in New Jersey. The law requires governmental units to deposit funds only in public depositories located in New Jersey, where the funds are secured in accordance with the Act.

9) <u>RISK MANAGEMENT:</u> The school carries various forms of insurance, including but not limited to general liability, automobile liability and comprehensive/collision, and hazard and theft insurance on property and contents.

10) OTHER INFORMATION:

<u>Independent Audit</u> – State statutes require an annual audit by an Independent Certified Public Accountant or Registered Municipal Accountant. The Accounting firm of Gerald D. Longo, CPA was selected by the Charter School.

In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in the state statutes, 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.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Brian Falkowski

School Business Administrator

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL

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Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Chairman and
Members of the Board of Trustees
College Achieve Paterson Charter School
County of Passaic
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Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

I conducted my 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 audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey. My responsibilities under those standards and Specifications are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of my report. I am required to be independent of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School and to meet my other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to my audit. I believe the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my 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 misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the College Achieve Paterson 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

My 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 my opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, and the Specifications 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:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
 fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
 procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in
 the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
 opinion on the effectiveness of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's internal control.
 Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant
 accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the
 financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in my judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

I am 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 I identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis; the schedules related to accounting and reporting for Pensions and Post-Retirement Benefits and the other required supplementary information and notes to the required supplementary 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. I 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 my inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements and the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance, 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 New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid, respectively, are presented for additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In my opinion, the combining and individual fund financial statements and the 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 Comprehensive Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2023. The other information comprises the introductory and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and my auditors' report thereon. My 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 my audit of the basic financial statements, my responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, I conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, I am required to describe it in my report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued my report dated February 15, 2024, on my consideration of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and on my 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 my 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 College Achieve Paterson 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 College Achieve Paterson Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Licensed Public School Accountant No. 20CS00206400

Gerald D. Longo

Certified Public Accountant

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February 15, 2024

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of College Achieve Paterson Charter School's annual financial report presents its discussion and analysis of the Board's financial performance during the fiscal period that ended on June 30, 2023. Please read it in conjunction with the transmittal letter at the front of this report and the Board's financial statements, which immediately follows this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

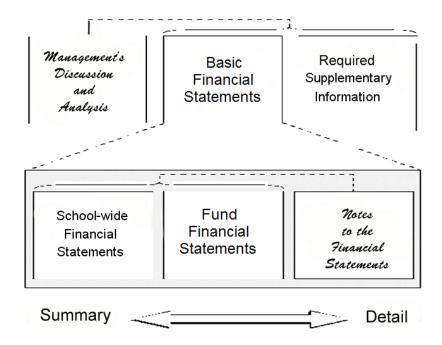
Key financial highlights for the 2022-23 fiscal period include the following:

- Total Net Position School Wide was \$6,924,033.
- The unassigned General Fund balance at June 30, 2023 is \$7,399,116 and Enterprise Fund balance is \$78,784.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial section of the annual report consists of four parts – Independent Auditor's Report, required supplementary information that includes the management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and supplemental information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School.

Figure A-1. Required Components of the Board's Annual Financial Report



- The first two statements are school-wide financial statements that provide both short-term and long-term information about the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School, reporting the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's operation in more detail than the school-wide statements.
- The governmental funds statements tell how basic services such as regular and special education were financed in short term as well as what remains for future spending.
- Proprietary funds statements offer short- and long-term financial information about the Food Service activities. College Achieve Paterson Charter School does not operate a food service.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the statements and provide data that are more detailed. Figure A-1 summarizes the major features of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's financial statements, including the portion of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's activities they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of management's discussion and analysis highlights the structure and contents of each of the statements.

Figure A-2 - Major Features of the School-wide and Financial Statements

	School-wide <u>Statement</u> s	Fund Financial Stat	ements Proprietary Funds
		Governmentari unus	r roprietary runus
Scope	Entire school (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School that are for the school operations and not proprietary or fiduciary, such as teachers' salaries, special education and building maintenance, food service, and community education	Activities the College Achieve Paterson Charter School operates similar to private businesses: Internal service fund
Required financial statements	Statement of net position	Balance sheet	Statement of net position
	Statement of activities	Statement of revenue expenditures and changes in fund balances	Statement of revenue, expenses, and changes in fund net position
Accounting Basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial focus	Statement of cash flows Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
Type of asset/liability information	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Generally assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon there after; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long- term
Type of inflow/out flow information	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due and payable	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

School-wide Statements

The school-wide statements report information about the College Achieve Paterson Charter School as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenue and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two school-wide statements report the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's net position and how they have changed. Net position – the difference between the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's assets and liabilities – are one way to measure the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's financial health or position.

In the school-wide financial statements, the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's activities are shown in two categories:

- Governmental activities- Most of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation, administration, and community education. Property taxes and state aid finance most of these activities.
- Business-type activities- This is not applicable to College Achieve Paterson Charter School.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's funds – focusing on its most significant or "major" funds – not the College Achieve Paterson Charter School as a whole.

Funds are accounting devices the College Achieve Paterson Charter School uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs:

Some funds are required by State law.

The College Achieve Paterson Charter School uses other funds, established in accordance with the State of New Jersey Uniform Chart, to control and manage money for particular purposes (e.g., repaying its long-term debts) or to show that it is properly using certain revenues (e.g., federal funds).

The College Achieve Paterson Charter School has two kinds of funds:

- Governmental funds- Most of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps to determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the school-wide statements, we provide additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statements that explain the relationship (or differences) between them.
- **Proprietary funds** Services for which the College Achieve Paterson Charter School charges a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way as the school-wide statements.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL AS A WHOLE

Net position. The College Achieve Paterson Charter School's net position School Wide is \$6,924,033 as of June 30, 2023. (See Table A-1).

Governmental	\$6,845,249
Proprietary	78,784
Total	\$6,924,033

The College Achieve Paterson Charter School's financial position is the product of these factors:

- Special Revenue Fund Revenues and Expenditures were \$6,247,412.
- General Fund Revenues were \$24,452,310.
- General Fund Expenditures were \$23,343,939.

Table A-1 COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statement of Net Position - School Wide As of June 30, 2023

	<u>Total</u>
Current and Other Assets	\$8,085,036
Deferred outflows of resources - Pension	2,510,948
Right to Use Assets, Net	33,084,760
Invested In Capital Assets, Net	1,314,775
Total Assets	\$44,995,519
Current, Other Liabilities and DFD Pension In Flows and DFD Pension In Flows	\$3,779,419
Lease liabilities - Long Term	34,292,067
Total Liabilities	\$38,071,486
Net Assets:	
Invested In Capital Assets, Net	\$1,314,775
Unrestricted Net Position	5,609,258
Total Net Position	\$6,924,033
Total Liabilites and Net Position	\$44,995,519
Fund Balance - June 30, 2023	\$7,477,900
Invested In Capital Assets, Net	1,314,775
Amortization expense over principal payments on leases	(1,207,307)
Net Position before Pension Adjustment	7,585,368
Less: Pension Adjustment	(661,335)
Net Position - June 30, 2023	\$6,924,033

Total Governmental and Business Activities revenues & beginning assets are adjusted by net adjusted expenditures resulting in a calculation of net position of \$6,924,033 as of June 30, 2023.

Table A-2 COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Changes in Net Position - School Wide For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Revenues	Total
Program revenues	_
Charges for services	\$ -
Operating grants and contributions	-
General revenues	
Local and State Aid	24,586,502
Federal Aid-Restricted	6,061,519
Other	51,701
Proprietary Fund	675,535
Increase in Capital Outlay	936,993
Total Revenues	\$ 32,312,250
Expenses	
Regular Instruction	(13,821,734)
General Administrative	(8,902,428)
School Administrative	(4,780,134)
On-behalf TPAF/Social Security	(2,074,899)
Capital Outlay	(12,156)
Proprietary Fund	(681,631)
Total Expenses	(30,272,982)
Increase in net position before Pension Adjustment	2,039,268
Amortization expense over principal payments of leases	(594,324)
Pension Adjustment	(136,633)
Net Position, Beginning of Year - July 1, 2022	5,615,722
Net Position, End of Year - June 30, 2023	 6,924,033
Increase in Fund Balance	\$ 1,102,275
Increase in Net Capital Outlay	936,993
Amortization expense over principal payments on leases	(594,324)
Net Increase in Net Position	1,444,944
Net Position - Beginning of Year - July 1, 2022	 5,615,722
Net Position - Before Pension Adjustment	7,060,666
Less Pension adjustment net	 (136,633)
Net Position - End of Year June 30, 2023	\$ 6,924,033

Table A-3 (See Exhibit A-2) COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Total and Net Cost of Services - School Wide For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Functions/Programs	Source	•	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services
School Wide Instruction				
Regular	B-2	\$	13,821,734	\$ 9,051,464
Support Services				
General Administrative Services	B-2		8,902,428	7,425,286
School Administrative Services	B-2		4,780,134	4,780,134
On-behalf TPAF Social Security	B-2		2,074,899	2,074,899
Capital Outlay	B-2		12,156	12,156
Propriety Fund	G-2		681,631	681,631
Total School Wide Activities		\$	30,272,982	\$ 24,025,570

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL FUNDS

The financial performance of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School as a whole is reflected in its School Wide activities Exhibit A-2. As the College Achieve Paterson Charter School completed the year, its general fund reported an unassigned balance of \$7,399,116.

Revenues for the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's governmental funds were \$30,699,722 while total expenses were \$29,591,351. (Table A-4) (Exhibit B-2)

GENERAL FUND

The General Fund includes the primary operations of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School in providing educational services to students for K-11.

The following schedule presents a summary of Revenues – School Wide.

Table A-4 (See Exhibit B-2) COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Changes in Revenues - School Wide For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30

					Amount of
	١	ear Ended	•	Year Ended	Increase
Revenues	0	6/30/2023	C	6/30/2022	(Decrease)
Local Sources:					
Local Share			\$	-	\$ -
Other Local Revenue -		51,701		69,828	\$ (18,127)
Total Local Sources	\$	51,701	\$	69,828	\$ (18,127)
Other Sources					
State/Local Sources	\$	24,586,502	\$	20,507,360	\$ 4,079,142
Proprietary Fund		675,535		754,975	(79,440)
Federal Sources		6,061,519		4,404,331	1,657,188
Total Intergovernmental Sources		31,323,556		25,666,666	5,656,890
Total Revenues	\$	31,375,257	\$	25,736,494	\$ 5,638,763

The following schedule presents a summary of Expenditures – School Wide.

Table A-5 (See Exhibit B-2) COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Changes in Expenditures - School Wide For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30

Expenditures	Year Ended 06/30/2023	Year Ended 06/30/2022		Am	ount of Increase (Decrease)
Current:					
Regular Instruction	\$ 13,821,734	\$	11,265,722	\$	2,556,012
General Administrative Services	8,902,428		6,097,710		2,804,718
School Administration	4,780,134		3,344,603		1,435,531
On-behalf TPAF/Social Security	2,074,899		1,684,701		390,198
Capital outlay	12,156		3,392		8,764
Proprietary Fund	681,631		770,957		(89,326)
Total Expenditures	\$ 30,272,982	\$	23,167,085	\$	7,105,897

UNRESERVED-UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE AS A PERCENTAGE OF EXPENDITURES

The following table shows the unreserved unassigned fund balance.

Table A-6 COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Fund Balance - School Wide For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Unreserved Unassigned Fund Balance	\$7,477,900	\$6,375,625	\$3,806,216	\$2,083,289	\$893,344	\$13,172
Expenditures	\$30,272,982	\$23,167,085	\$14,929,782	\$10,565,406	\$6,696,488	\$3,628,871
Percentages	25.00%	27.50%	25.50%	19.70%	13.30%	0.40%

The College Achieve Paterson Charter School values its fund balances as a vehicle for addressing unbudgeted and emergent needs that occur during the school year. The School Wide unreserved unassigned fund balance designated to support the subsequent years budget is \$7,477,900 for the 2023-24 school year.

CAPTIAL AND RIGHT TO USE ASSETS

Table A-7 COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Changes in Capital and Right to Use Assets - School Wide For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

CAPITAL ASSETS:	
Improvements	\$1,233,190
Equipment and Furniture	252,608
Total - General Fund	\$1,485,798
Less: Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization	(171,023)
Total - Net Capital Assets General Fund	\$1,314,775
RIGHT TO USE LEASE ASSETS:	
Premises	\$35,089,900
Total	\$35,089,900
Less: Accumulated Amortization	(2,005,140)
Right to use assets, net	\$33,084,760
Equipment and Furniture Total - General Fund Less: Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization Total - Net Capital Assets General Fund RIGHT TO USE LEASE ASSETS: Premises Total Less: Accumulated Amortization	\$1,485,798 (171,023) \$1,314,775 \$35,089,900 \$35,089,900 (2,005,140)

FACTORS BEARING ON THE SCHOOL'S FUTURE

While many factors influence the Charter School's future, the availability of State funding and the economy will have the most impact on educational and fiscal decisions in the future.

These and many other factors were considered by the Charter School's administration during the process of developing the fiscal year 2023-24 budget. The primary factors were the Charter School's projected student population, anticipated state and federal aid as well as increasing salary and related benefit costs. These indicators were considered when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.

CONTACTING THE COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's finances and to demonstrate the College Achieve Paterson Charter School's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Business Office, College Achieve Paterson Charter School, 21 Market Street, Paterson, NJ 07501.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	
The basic financial statements provide a financial overview of the College Ach Paterson Charter School's operations. These financial statements present the fir position and operating results of all funds as of June 30, 2023.	



COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statement of Net Position As of June 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities		iness-type ctivities	Total		
ASSETS		•				
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Unrestricted	\$	6,972,898	\$ 36,496	\$	7,009,394	
Receivables		935,157	42,288		977,445	
Security Deposit - Rental		98,197			98,197	
Capital assets, net		1,314,775	-		1,314,775	
Right-to-use lease assets-net		33,084,760			33,084,760	
Total Assets		42,405,787	 78,784		42,484,571	
Deferred outflows of resources - Pension		2,510,948	-		2,510,948	
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	44,916,735	\$ 78,784	\$	44,995,519	
LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable - CAPS CMO Fee	\$	75,848	_	\$	75,848	
Accounts payable	•	399,534		•	399,534	
Payroll Taxes Payable		131,414			131,414	
Deferred Revenue		340			340	
Net Pension Liability - Long Term		2,743,941			2,743,941	
Lease liabilities - Long Term		34,292,067			34,292,067	
Total Liabilities		37,643,144	-		37,643,144	
Deferred inflows of resources - Pension		428,342	 		428,342	
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	38,071,486	\$ _	\$	38,071,486	
NET POSITION						
Invested in capital assets, net		1,314,775	-		1,314,775	
Unrestricted		5,530,474	78,784		5,609,258	
Total net position	\$	6,845,249	\$ 78,784	\$	6,924,033	
lotal Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Net Position	Ş	44,916,735	\$ 78,784	\$	44,995,519	
Fund Balance June 30, 2023 - B-1	\$	7,399,116				
Right-to-use lease assets-net of accumulated amortization	·	33,084,760				
Principal balance of lease liabilities		(34,292,067)				
Cost of capital assets, net accumulated depreciation		1,314,775				
·						
Net Position before pension adjustments		7,506,584				
Less: pension adjustments net (Deficit)		(661,335)				
Total Net Position June 30, 2023	\$	6,845,249				

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

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

			Program Revenues			Changes in Net Position				
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Indirect Expenses Allocation	Charges for Services		Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	G	overnmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Governmental activities:	 •									
Instruction:										
Regular	\$ (13,821,734)			\$	(4,770,270)		\$	(9,051,464)	\$	(9,051,464)
General administatrion	(8,902,428)				(1,477,142)			(7,425,286)		(7,425,286)
School administrative services/ operations plant serv.	(4,780,134)							(4,780,134)		(4,780,134)
On - behalf TPAF/Social Security	(2,074,899)							(2,074,899)		(2,074,899)
Capital Outlay	 (12,156)							(12,156)		(12,156)
Total governmental activities	(29,591,351)				(6,247,412)			(23,343,939)		(23,343,939)
Business-type activities:	(681,631)								(681,631)	(681,631)
Total business-type activities	 (681,631)		-						(681,631)	(681,631)
Total primary government	\$ (30,272,982)		\$ 0	\$	(6,247,412)		\$	(23,343,939)	\$ (681,631) \$	(24,025,570)
		General reve Local Share	nues:				\$	_	\$	_
		State Share					Ψ	21,237,115	13,454	21,250,569
		State and Fe	ederal Aid					3,163,494	662,081	3,825,575
		Other State	Grants					-,, -	-	0
		Miscellaneo	us Income					51,701		51,701
		Increase in o	capital assets					936,993		936,993
		Total Revenu	es					25,389,303	675,535	26,064,838
		Excess Reven	ues over Expend	ditur	es			2,045,364	(6,096)	2,039,268
		Amortization	expense over p	rinci	pal payments of I	eases		(594,324)		(594,324)
		Net Increase	(Decrease) in Pe	ensio	n Adjustment			(136,633)	0	(136,633)
		Change in Ne	t Position Increa	ise (Decrease)			1,314,407	(6,096)	(1,308,311)
		Net Position	- Beginning of Y	ear -	July 1, 2022			5,530,842	84,880	5,615,722
		Net Position	- End of Year - J	une	30, 2023		\$	6,845,249	\$ 78,784 \$	6,924,033

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





COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL

Balance Sheet

Governmental Funds

As of June 30, 2023

		General Fund	ļ	Special Revenue Fund	Go	Total vernmental Funds	
ASSETS							
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Unrestricted Interfund Receivables	\$	6,972,898 836,539 98,278	\$	- (836,539) 836,879	\$	6,972,898 0 935,157	
Security Deposit - Rental		98,197		-		98,197	
Total assets	\$	8,005,912	\$	340	\$	8,006,252	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable - CAPS CMO Fee	\$	75,848			\$	75,848	
Accounts payable		399,534				399,534	
Payroll Taxes Payable		131,414				131,414	
Deferred Revenue		0		340		340	
Total liabilities		606,796		340		607,136	
Fund Balances:							
Unreserved:							
Unassigned		7,399,116		0		7,399,116	
Total Fund balances		7,399,116		0		7,399,116	
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	8,005,912	\$	340	\$	8,006,252	
(A-1) are different because: Governmental Fund Balance June 30, 2023 Capital assets used in governmental activities are not therefore are not reported in the funds. The cost of the accumulated depreciation			es an	d		1,485,798 (171,023)	\$ 7,399,116
Net position before pension adjustments							1,314,775 8,713,891
Deferred Outflows related to pension contributions su Liability measurement date and other deferred items resources and therefore, are not reported in the fund	are n	ot current fin					2,510,948
Deferred Inflows related to pension actuarial gains from actual returns and assumed returns and other defermabilities in the fund statements.		-					(428,342)
							(.20,5-12)
Long-term liabilities, including net pension liability, are current period and therefore are not reported as liability.			able i	n the			(2,743,941)
Right -to-use assets used in governmental activities ar therefore are not reported in the funds. The cost of the less the accumulated amortization (\$2,005,140)							33,084,760
Lease liabilities used in governmental activities are no are not reported in the funds	t fina	ncial resourc	ed ar	nd therefore			(34,292,067)
Net position of governmental activities June 30, 2023 The accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial State	ment	s are an inte	gral p	oart of this sta	iteme	nt	\$ 6,845,249

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, And Changes in Fund Balances

Governmental Funds

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Local Sources:			
State/Local Share	\$ 21,237,115		\$ 21,237,115
Miscellaneous	51,701	-	51,701
Total - Local Sources	21,288,816		21,288,816
State Sources	3,163,494	185,893	3,349,387
Federal Sources		6,061,519	6,061,519
Total Revenues	24,452,310	6,247,412	30,699,722
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
Regular instruction	\$ 9,051,464	\$ 4,770,270	\$ 13,821,734
Support services- General Administrative	7,425,286	1,477,142	8,902,428
Support Services- School Admin/ operations plant serv	4,780,134		4,780,134
On-behalf TPAF/Social Security (Non Budgeted)	2,074,899		2,074,899
Capital outlay	12,156		12,156
Total Expenditures	23,343,939	6,247,412	29,591,351
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues			
over expenditures	1,108,371		1,108,371
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	-		-
Transfers out			
Total other financing sources and uses	_		-
Net change in fund balances - Increase	1,108,371		1,108,371
Fund balance - July 1, 2022	6,290,745	_	6,290,745
Fund balance - June 30, 2023	\$ 7,399,116		\$ 7,399,116

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

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL

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

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds (from B-2) - Increase	\$ 1,108,371
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (A-2) are different because:	
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the period. Depreciation expense \$ (52,342) Capital outlays 989,335	\$ 936,993
Amortization expense over principal payments on leases	(594,324)
Pension contributions are reported in governmental funds as expenditures; however, in the statement of activities, the contributions are adjusted for actuarial valuation adjustments, including service and interest costs, administrative costs, investment returns, and experience/assumption. This is the amount by which net pension liability and deferred inflows/outflows related to pension changed during the period.	(136,633)
Change in net position of governmental activities - Increase (A-2)	\$ 1,314,407

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

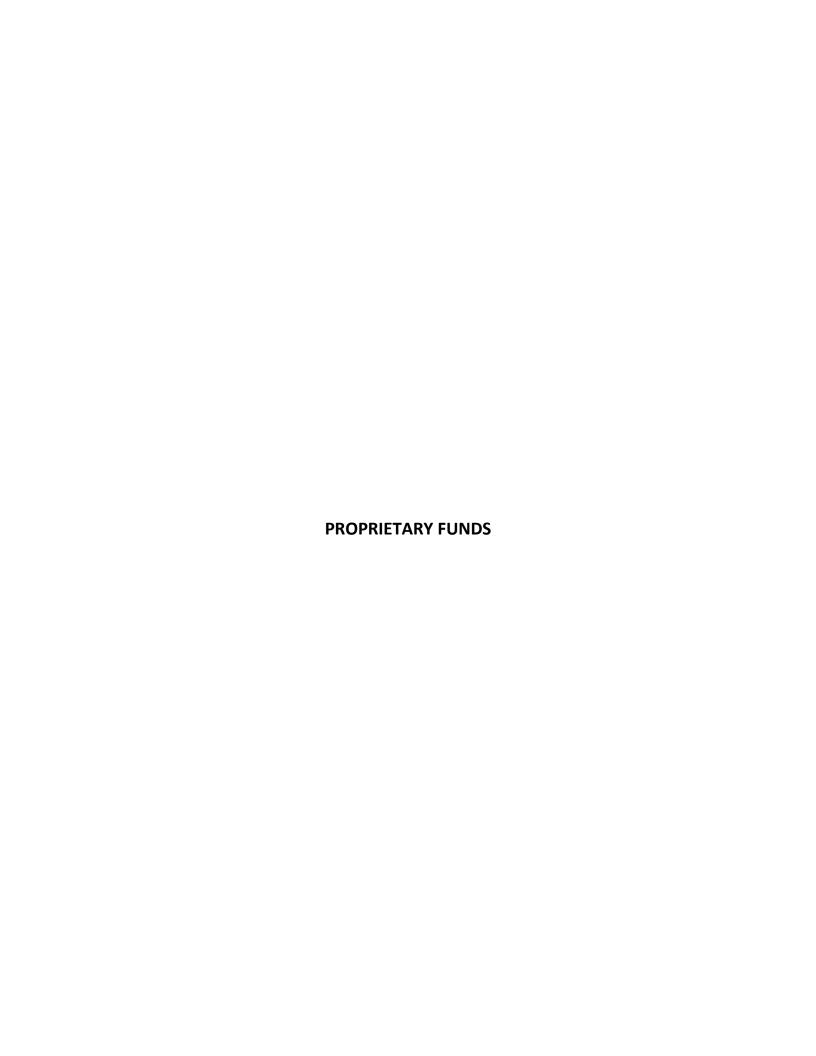


Exhibit B-4

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statement of Net Position Proprietary Fund As of June 30, 2023

ASSETS	_
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents \$36,496	
Accounts Receivable	
Other	
Federal 41,426	
State 862	
Total Current Assets 78,784	_
Total Assets \$78,784	_
LIABILITIES	
Total Current Liabilities \$	_
Net Position	
Unrestricted 78,784	_
Total Net Position \$78,784	_

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

EXHIBIT B-5

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position Proprietary Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Business Type
	Activities
OPERATING REVENUES	Enterprise Fund
Daily Sales - Reimbursable Programs	
Additional Subsidy	\$0
Total Operating Revenues	0
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Salaries, wages and employee benefits	(149,412)
Supplies, Materials & Other	(505,780)
Rent and overhead	(26,439)
Total Operating Expenses	(681,631)
, , ,	
Income (Loss) From Operations	(681,631)
Nonoperating Revenues	
State Sources	
State Breakfast	5,279
State Lunch	8,175
Federal Sources	
School Breakfast Program	134,965
National School Lunch Program	499,371
National Snack Program	27,745
Board Subsidy	0
Total Nonoperating Revenues	675,535
(Decrease) in Net Position	(6,096)
Total Net Position- Beginning of Year - July 1, 2022	84,880
Total Net Position- End of Year - June 30, 2023	\$78,784

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

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statements of Cash Flows Proprietary Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Proprietary Fund Business-Type Activities
Cash flows from operating activities	
Cash Received from Customers	\$0
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(\$505,780)
Cash Payments to Employee's Salaries and Benefits	(149,412)
Cash Payments to Rent and overhead	(\$26,439)
Net Cash (Used) by Operating Activities	(681,631)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities	
Cash Received from General Fund Transfer (Contribution)	0
Cash Received from State and Federal Subsidy Reimbursements	696,898
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	696,898
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	15,267
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year - July 1, 2022	21,229
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year - June 30, 2023	\$36,496
Reconcilliation of Operating Income to Net Cash	
(Used by) Operating Activities	
Operating Income (Loss)	(\$6,096)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to	
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	
Decrease in Accounts Receivable	21,363
Change in Assets and Liabilities	0
Total Adjustment	21,363
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$15,267

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



Exhibit B-7

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statement of Fiduciary Net Position Fiduciary Funds As of June 30, 2023

NOT APPLICABLE

Exhibit B-8

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position Fiduciary Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

NOT APPLICABLE



1. DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL AND REPORTING ENTITY

College Achieve Paterson Charter School ("Charter School") is an instrumentality of the State of New Jersey, established to function as an education institution. The Board of Trustees (the 'Board") consists of appointed officials and are responsible for the fiscal control of the Charter School. A director is appointed by the Board and is the administrative control of the Charter School.

A reporting entity is comprised primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to insure 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 for 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, section of governing authority, designation of management, 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. There were no additional entities required to be included in the reporting entity under the criteria as described above, in the current fiscal year. Furthermore, the Charter School is not includable in any other reporting entity on the basis of such criteria.

2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u>

This summary of significant accounting policies of the 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 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.

A. Basis of Presentation

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

2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)</u>

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 primary government, except for fiduciary funds.

Government-Wide Statements

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the Charter School at fiscal 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 activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, 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 expectations. 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.

Fund Financial Statements

During the fiscal year, the Charter School segregates transactions related to certain Charter School functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance.

Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Charter School at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column.

B. Fund Accounting

The Charter School uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Governmental Funds

Government funds are those 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 may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. The following are the Charter School's major governmental funds:

2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)</u>

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Charter School. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Included are certain expenditures for vehicles and movable instructional or noninstructional equipment that are classified in the Capital Outlay subfund.

As required by the New Jersey State 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, district taxes and appropriated fund balance. Expenditures are those that result in the acquisition of or additions to fixed assets for land, existing buildings, improvements of grounds, construction of buildings, additions to or remodeling of buildings that the purchase of built-in equipment. These resources can be transferred from and to Current Expense by board resolution.

<u>Special Revenue Fund</u> - The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue from State and Federal Government, (other than major capital projects, Debt Service of the Enterprise Funds) and local appropriations that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Proprietary Funds

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

Enterprise Fund - The Enterprise Fund is utilized to account for operations that were financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the Charter School is that the costs (i.e. expenses including depreciation and indirect costs) of providing goods or services to the students on a continuing education 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 appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities, whether current or noncurrent, associated with their activity are included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund equity

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(net position) is segregated into invested in capital assets net of related debt and unrestricted net position, if applicable. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total position.

Depreciation of fixed assets used by proprietary funds is charged as an expense against their operations.

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.

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.

2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)</u>

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 funds. The budgets are submitted to the county office for approval. Budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting, except for the special revenue fund as described later. The legal level of budgetary control is established at line item accounts within each fund. Line item accounts are defined as the lowest (most specific) level of detail as established pursuant to the minimum chart of accounts referenced in N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.2(m)1. Transfers of appropriations may be made by School Board resolution at any time during the fiscal year subject to the limitation of P.L 2004 c73 (S 1701).

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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) with the exception of the legally mandated revenue recognition of the last state aid payment for budgetary purposes only and the special revenue fund as noted below. Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

The accounting records of the special revenue fund are maintained on the grant accounting budgetary basis. The grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that the grant accounting budgetary basis recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenues, whereas the GAAP basis does not. Sufficient supplemental records are maintained to allow for the presentation of GAAP basis financial reports. Exhibit C-3 represents

2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)</u>

a reconciliation of the General Fund revenues and Special Revenue Fund revenues and expenditures from the budgetary basis of accounting as presented in the Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund and Special Revenue Fund to the GAAP basis of accounting as presented in Exhibit B-2.

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F. Encumbrances

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

2. **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

Open encumbrances in the special revenue fund, for which the Charter School has received advances, are reflected in the balance sheet as deferred revenues at fiscal year end. There were \$0 of encumbrances at June 30, 2023. The encumbered appropriation authority carries over into the next fiscal year. An entry will be made at the beginning of the next fiscal year to increase the appropriation reflected in the certified budget by the outstanding encumbrance amount as of the current fiscal year end.

G. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

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

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

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

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

H. Inventories and Prepaid Expenses

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

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Inventories in the Proprietary Funds are valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first-in-first-out (FIFO) method.

I. Short-Term Interfund Receivables/Payables

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

J. Capital Assets

General Fund capital assets result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market value as of the date received. The Charter School maintains a capitalization threshold of \$2,000. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

All reported capital assets except for land are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description of Capital Cost

Estimated Lives (Years)

Right-of-use Assets *
Furniture and Equipment 7
*Shorter of useful life or lease term (35 years)

K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements. In general, payables and accrued liabilities those, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the governmental funds. However, the noncurrent portion of compensated absences and mortgage payable that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are normally expected to be paid with expendable, available financial resources.

2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)</u>

L. Net Position/Fund Balance

School-Wide Statements

In the school-wide statements, there are three classes of net position:

- Invested in Capital Assets consists of net capital assets (cost less accumulated depreciation) reduced by outstanding balances of related debt obligations from the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets or related debt also should be included. Also included in invested in capital assets are amounts the Charter School prepaid in advance of the work performed.
- Restricted Net Position reports net position when constraints placed on the residual
 amount of noncapital assets are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through
 debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or
 imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Unrestricted Net Position any portion of net position not already classified as either net invested in capital assets or net position - restricted is classified as net position – unrestricted, which includes deferred inflows and outflows

Fund Balance and Equity

The Charter School follows GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions ("GASB 54"), in establishing 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:

- 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.
- 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.

2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)</u>

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. <u>Unearned/Deferred Revenue</u>

Unearned/Deferred revenue in the special revenue fund represents cash that has been received but not yet earned.

N. Fund Equity

Reserves represent those portions of fund equity not available for appropriation for expenditure or legally segregated for a specific future use. Designated fund balances represent plans for future use of financial resources.

O. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

P. 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.

Q. <u>Deferred Outflows/Inflows</u>

Deferred amounts on net pension liability are reported in the school-wide statement of net position and result from: (I) differences between expected and actual experience; (2) changes in assumptions; (3) net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments; (4) changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions; and (5) contributions made subsequent to the measurement date. These amounts are deferred and amortized over future years.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The School has one

2. **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

type which arise only under the accrual basis of accounting that qualify for reporting in this category. The item that qualifies for reporting in this category is the deferred amounts on net pension liability. Deferred amounts on net pension liability are reported in the school-wide statement of net position and result from: (I) differences between expected and actual experience; (2) changes in assumptions; (3) net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments; and (4) changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions. These amounts are deferred and amortized over future years.

R. 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.

As of June 30, 2023, Charter School-wide compensated absences amounted to \$-0-.

S. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Charter School follows the accounting and disclosure standards pertaining to GASB No. 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 includes 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 instrument, including assumptions about risk. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs are inputs that are developed using market data, 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 are developed

2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)</u>

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 judgment or estimation.

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

T. Adoption of New Accounting Standard

GASB 84: Fiduciary Activities

GASB 87: Leases

During fiscal year 2022, the Charter School adopted GASB Statement No. 87, Leases (GASB 87), which requires the Charter School to recognize intangible right-to-use lease assets and lease liabilities for its lessee agreements.

The Charter School accounts for any lease with a term greater than one year in accordance with GASB 87. The lease terms are defined as the noncancellable period of any lease, plus any options to extend under such leases, when management is reasonably certain those options will be exercised. Accordingly, the net present value of the estimated future minimum payments are reflected as a right-to-use lease asset and lease liability. The right-to- use lease assets will be recognized on a straight-line basis over the lesser of the life of the asset or the remaining lease period. The right-to-use lease assets related to the facility leases are being amortized over the term of each respective lease as follows:

School Premises 2 – 35 years

During fiscal year 2023, the Charter School adopted the following GASB statements:

GASB Statement No. 96, Subscription - Based Information Technology Arrangements.
 The objective of this Statement will be to improve financial reporting by establishing a
 definition for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) and
 providing uniform guidance for accounting and financial reporting for transactions that
 meet that definition. That definition and uniform guidance will result in greater
 consistency in practice. Establishing the capitalization criteria for implementation costs

2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)</u>

- also will reduce diversity and improve comparability in financial reporting by
 governments. This Statement also will enhance the relevance and reliability or a
 government's financial statements by requiring a government to report a subscription
 asset and subscription liability for a SBITA and to disclose essential information about
 the arrangement. The disclosures will allow users to understand the scale and important
 aspects of a government's SBITA activities and evaluate a government's obligations and
 assets resulting from SBITAs.
- GASB Statement No. 99, Omnibus 2022. The objectives of this Statement are to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing (1) practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements and (2) accounting and financial reporting for financial guarantees.

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

- GASB Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections an amendment of GASE Statement No. 62, will be effective beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. The primary objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability.
- GASB Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences, will be effective beginning with the
 fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the
 information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and
 measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by
 aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by
 amending certain previously required disclosures.

3. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Custodial Credit Risk Related to Deposits - Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Charter School's deposits might not be recovered. Although the Charter School does not have a formal policy regarding custodial credit risk, N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. requires that governmental units shall deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). Under the Act, the first \$250,000 of governmental deposits in each insured depository is protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Public funds owned by the Charter School in excess of FDIC insured amounts are protected by GUDPA. However, GUDPA

3. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (continued)

does not protect intermingled agency funds such as salary withholdings, and student activity funds, or funds that may pass to the Charter School relative to the happening of a future condition. Such funds are classified as uninsured and uncollateralized. As of June 30, 2023, the charter schools case balance was insured for \$250,000 by the FDIC and the remaining balance was subject to provisions of GUDPA.

Investments

The Board is permitted to invest public funds in accordance with the types of securities authorized by N.J.S.A. 18A:20-37. Examples of the allowable investments are bonds or other obligations of the United States or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America, Government Money

As of June 30, 2023, the Charter School had no investments.

Market. Mutual Funds, bonds or other obligations of the Charter School or bonds or other obligations of the local unit or units within which the Charter School is located, Local Government investment pools, and agreements or the repurchase of fully collateralized securities, if transacted in accordance with the above statute.

4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS COLLEGE ACHIEVE PUBLIC CHARTERS SCHOOLS, INC. (CAPS)

Operating Leases

The Charter School has entered into three sublease agreements with College Achieve Public Charter Schools, Inc. (CAPS) in effect for school facilities on 137 Ellison Street, 21 Market Street and 5 Colt Street in Paterson, New Jersey. Under these agreements, the Charter School paid \$1,928,992 per year in rent for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 to CAPS. This amounts to 15% above the amount paid by the sublandlord to the landlord to cover the debt service of the landlord. Total rental payments under this sublease for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. (See Note 15 – Rental Commitments)

Management Agreement

In June 2017, the Charter School entered into an educational management agreement with College Achieve Public Schools, Inc., (CAPS) a 501(c)(3) Non Profit Organization to manage the operation of the school for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 (Initial Term) 2 years. The agreement can be extended for 5 additional terms of two years. The current term is effective through June 30, 2023. The Charter School is required to pay a management fee equal to 15.8% of the Charter's School total of Core State/Local Revenue plus Core Federal Revenue. The annual fee percentage is not applied to the revenues received from special programs such as the school lunch program funding during the contract term. The management fee rate utilized for the year ended June 30, 2023 was 15%. The management fee for year ending June 30,

4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS COLLEGE ACHIEVE PUBLIC CHARTERS SCHOOLS, INC. (continued)

2023 amounted to \$3,647,504. Included in the General Fund is \$75,848 owed to CAPS for the management fee.

Issuance of Series 2022 Bonds by CAPS 21 Market LLC

College Achieve Paterson Charter School is managed by College Achieve Public Charter Schools, Inc. ("CAPS" or the "Manager"), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charter management organization. CAPS is not an affiliate of the School and there is no overlap in board governance between CAPS and the School.

CAPS is the sole member of CAPS 21 Market LLC (the "Borrower"), a New Jersey limited liability company created in June 2022. The Borrower will use the proceeds in the approximate amount of \$15,900,000 of the Series 2022 Bonds to acquire the existing CAPS Paterson school facility located at 21 Market Street, Paterson, New Jersey (Block 4609, Lots 11 and 11.01) (the "Market Street Campus") and will lease the Market Street Campus to the School for continued operation as a charter public school.

The Borrower is the obligee of the Series 2022 Bonds and is the only entity directly obligated to make payments with respect to the Series 2022 Bonds. The Series 2022 Bonds are payable solely from payments to be made by the Borrower pursuant to the Loan Agreement, which payments, in tum, are to be derived from Lease Payments required to be made by the School pursuant to the Lease Agreement. CAPS Paterson is managed by CAPS and CAPS is the sole member of the Borrower. However, CAPS is not obligated to make payments with respect to the Series 2022 Bonds, is not required to pledge any revenues for the payment of the Series 2022 Bonds and is not an obligated party under the Master Trust Indenture. However, CAPS is subordinating its management fee payable by CAPS Paterson to payment of debt service on the Series 2022 Bonds by directing CAPS Paterson to pay the management fee to the Master Trustee for release to CAPS only after payment in full of debt service on the Series 2022 Bonds.

5 PENSION PLANS

<u>Description of Plans</u> - Substantially all of the employees of the 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

5 PENSION PLANS (continued)

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 Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the Public Employees Retirements System and the Teacher's Pension and Annuity Fund. These reports may be obtained by writing to the Division of Pensions and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625.

<u>Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)</u> - The Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund was established as of January 1,1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:66 to provide coverage including post-retirements health care to substantially all full time certified teachers or professional staff of the public school systems in the State. The Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund is considered a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan with a special funding situation, as under current statute, all employer contributions are made by the State of New Jersey on behalf of the School and the systems other related non-contributing employers.

Membership is mandatory for substantially all teachers or members of the professional staff certified by the State Board of Examiners, and employees of the Department of Education who have titles that are unclassified, professional and certified.

<u>Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)</u> - The public Employees' Retirement Systems (PERS) was established as of January 1, 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, or public agency provided the employee is not a member of another state-administered retirement system.

The public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan. Membership is mandatory for substantially all full time employees of the State of New Jersey or any county, municipality, School, or public agency, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state administered retirement system or other state or local jurisdiction.

<u>Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP)</u> - 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.

<u>Vesting and Benefit Provisions</u> - The vesting and benefit provisions for PERS are set by N.J.S.A 43:15a and 43:03B and N.J.S.A. 18A: for TPAF. All benefits vest after eight to ten years of service, except for medical benefits that vest after 25 years of service. Retirements benefits for age and service are available at age 55 and are generally determine to be 1/55 of the final average salary for each year of service credit as defined.

5 PENSION PLANS (continued)

Final average salary equals the average salary for the final three years of service prior to retirement (or highest three years' compensation if other than the final three years). Members may seek early retirement after achieving 25 years of service credit or they may elect deferred retirement after achieving eight to ten years of service in which case benefits would begin the first day of the month after the member attains normal retirement age.

The TPAF and PERS provides for specified medical benefits for member who retire after achieving 25 years of qualified service, as defined, or under the disability provisions of the System.

Members are always fully vested for their own contributions and, after three years of service credit, become vested for 2% of related interest earned on the contributions. In the case of death before retirement, members' beneficiaries are entitled to full interest credited to the member's accounts.

<u>Significant Legislation</u> - Effective June 28, 2011, P.L. 2011, c. 78 enacted certain changes in the operations and benefit provisions of the TPAF and the PERS systems.

<u>Pension Plan Design Changes</u> - Effective June 28, 2011, P.L. 2011, c. 78, new members of TPAF and PERS, hired on or after June 28, 2011, will need 30 years of creditable service and have attained the age of 65 for receipt of the early retirement benefit without a reduction of 1/4 of 1% for receipt of the early retirement benefit without a reduction of 1/4 of 1% for each month that the member is under age 65. New members will be eligible for a service retirement benefit at age 65.

<u>Funding Changes</u> - Under the new legislation, the methodology for calculating the unfunded accrued liability payment portion of the employer's annual pension contribution to the PERS, and TPAF.

The unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) will be amortized for each plan over an open-ended 30 year period and paid in level dollars. Beginning with the July 1, 2019 actuarial valuation (July 1, 2019 for PERS), the UAAL will be amortized over a closed 30 year period until the remaining period reaches 20, when the amortization period will revert to an open-ended 20 year period.

COLA Suspension

The payment of automatic cost-of-living adjustment to current and future retirees and beneficiaries are suspended until reactivated as permitted by this law.

5 PENSION PLANS (continued)

Contribution Requirements

The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and N.J.S.A. 18:66, and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation.

Effective June 28, 2011, P.L. 2001, c. 78 provides for increases in the employee contribution rates: from 5.5% to 6.5% plus an additional 1% phased-in over 7 years beginning in the first year, meaning after 12 months, after the law's effective date for TPAF and PERS.

Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate in both TPAF and PERS. The actuarially determined contribution includes funding for cost-of-living adjustments, non-contributory death benefits, and post-retirement medical premiums. Under current statute the School is a non-contributing employer of TPAF (i.e., the State of New Jersey makes the employer contribution on behalf of public school districts and Schools).

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 School's contribution to PERS for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$175,786.

In accordance with N.J.S.A 18A:66-66 the School recorded as revenue for the year ended June 30, 2023 for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members, as calculated on their base salaries in the amount of \$382,017. Also the State paid \$1,692,882 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 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.

6 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 \$13,677,004 as measured on June 30, 2022 and \$7,620,728 as measured on June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Charter School recognized pension expense of \$368,086 and revenue of \$368,086 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, 2022 through June 30, 2021. 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.

Although the Charter School does 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.

6 PENSION PLANS – GASB 68 DISCLOSURES (continued)

The collective amounts are the total of all New Jersey local governments participating in the TPAF plan.

	<u>June 30, 2022</u>	June 30, 2021
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$4,996,491,160	\$6,356,228,800
Collective deferred inflows of resources	\$19,532,696,776	\$27,175,330,929
Collective net pension liability (Non-employer -		
State of New Jersey)	\$51,594,415,806	\$48,165,991,182
State's portion of the net pension liability that		
was associated with the Charter School	\$13,677,004	\$11,206,791
State's portion of the net pension liability that		
was associated with the Charter School as a		
percentage of the collective net pension liability	.026509%	.023311%

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 (Price): 2.75% Inflation (Wage): 3.25%

Salary Increases: Thereafter 2.75 - 5.65% based on years of service

Investment Rate of Return: 7%

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. Postretirement 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. 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.

6 PENSION PLANS – GASB 68 DISCLOSURES (continued)

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7% 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 long term expected 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:

		Long Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
US equity	27.00%	8.12%
Non-U.S. 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 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 all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments in determining the total pension liability.

6 PENSION PLANS – GASB 68 DISCLOSURES (continued)

Sensitivity of the of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

	At Current	At 1%
At 1% Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
(6.00%)	(7.00%)	(8.00%)
\$60,591,896,759	\$51,676,587,003	\$44,166,559,329

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: http://www.nj.gov/treasury/ pensions/gasb-notices.shtml.

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 \$2,743,941 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 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022.

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. At June 30, 2022, the Charter School's proportion was .018182%.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Charter School recognized pension expense of \$541,706. At June 30, 2023, the Charter School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

6 PENSION PLANS – GASB 68 DISCLOSURES (continued)

Outflows of Inflows of Resources	_
Differences between expected and actual	
experience \$ 19,805 \$ 17,465	5
Changes of assumptions 8,502	
Net difference between projected and actual	
earnings on pension plan investments 113,569 410,877	7
Changes in proportion and differences between	
Charter School contributions and proportionate	
share of contributions 2,193,286 -0	-
Charter School contributions subsequent to the	
measurement date. 175,786 -0	
Total \$2,510,948 \$428,342	2

The Charter School reported \$175,786 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 ended June 30, 2023, the plan measurement date was June 30, 2022) will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2023.

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

	Year Ended	
	June 30:	
2022	(235,370)	
2023	(119,913)	
2024	(58,479)	
2025	125,580	
2026	(280)	
Total:	(\$288,462)	

	<u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$1,660,772,008	\$1,164,738,169
Collective deferred inflows of resources	\$3,236,303,935	\$8,339,123,762
Collective net pension liability (Non-State-Local Group)	\$15,219,184,920	\$11,972,782,878
Charter School's proportion of net pension liability	\$2,743,941	1,175,752
Charter School's proportion percentage	.018182%	.009924%

6 PENSION PLANS – GASB 68 DISCLOSURES (continued)

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%

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.

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

The following presents the Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2022, calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower or one-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	2022		
	Current		
	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$3,155,533	\$2,743,941	\$2,332,350

6 PENSION PLANS – GASB 68 DISCLOSURES (continued)

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: http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/gasb-notices.shtml.

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 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 PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022, are summarized in the following table:

		Long Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
US equity	27.00%	8.12%
Non-U.S. 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%

6 PENSION PLANS – GASB 68 DISCLOSURES (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 is assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity 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 all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

7 POST RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS

General Information about the OPEB Plan

State Health Benefit State Retired Employees Plan:

Pension and Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) Obligations in Fiscal Year 2022 the State funded the various defined benefit pension systems at 108 percent of the full actuarially determined contributions. Employer contributions to the pension plans are calculated per the requirements of the governing State statutes using generally accepted actuarial procedures and practices. The actuarial funding method used to determine the State's contribution is a matter of State law. Any change to the funding method requires the approval of the State Legislature and the Governor. The amount the State actually contributes to the pension plans may differ from the actuarially determined contributions of the pension plans because the State's contribution to the pension plans is subject to the appropriation of the State Legislature and actions by the Governor. GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, requires participating employers to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability. Under the new statement, the calculation of the pension liability was changed to a more conservative methodology and each employer was allocated a proportional share of the pension plans' net pension liability. The State's share of the net pension liability, based on a measurement date of June 30, 2021, which is required to be recorded on the financial statements, is \$75.1 billion. The Fiscal Year 2023 projected aggregate State contribution to the pension plans of \$6.8 billion represents 104 percent of the actuarially determined contribution. The State provides post-retirement medical (PRM) benefits for certain State and other retired employees meeting the service credit eligibility requirements. In Fiscal Year 2022, the State paid PRM benefits for 161,238 State and local retirees. The State funds post-retirement medical benefits on a "pay-as-you-go" basis, which means that the State does not pre- fund, or otherwise establish a reserve or other pool of assets against the PRM expenses that the State may incur in future years. For Fiscal Year 2022, the State contributed

7 POST RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS (continued)

\$1.9 billion to pay for "pay-as-you-go" PRM benefit costs incurred by covered populations, a slight increase from \$1.8 billion in Fiscal Year 2021. The State has appropriated \$2.1 billion in Fiscal Year 2023 as the State's contribution to fund increases in prescription drugs and medical claims costs. In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, the State is required to quantify and disclose its obligations to pay Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) to retired plan members. This new standard supersedes the previously issued guidance, GASB Statement No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, effective for Fiscal Year 2018. The 7 State is now required to accrue a liability in all instances where statutory language names the State as the legal obligor for benefit payments. The Fiscal Year 2022 State OPEB liability to provide these benefits is \$88.9 billion, a decrease of \$12.7 billion, or 12.5 percent from the \$101.6 billion liability recorded in Fiscal Year 2021. Additional information on Pensions and OPEB can be accessed on the Division of Pensions & Benefits Financial Reports webpage:

https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml.

Total OPEB Liability

The State, a nonemployer 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 LEA's proportionate share percentage determined under paragraphs 193 and 203 through 205 of GASBS No. 75 is zero percent. Accordingly, the LEA 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 trustees.

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

Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability

The total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022. The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

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

7 POST RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS (continued)

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 "Safety" (PFRS), "General" (PERS), and "Teachers" (TPAF/ABP) classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP -2021.

Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability: \$50,646,462,966

	TPAF	PERS
Salary increases:	2.75% to 4.25% based on years of service	2.75% to 6.55% based on years of service

Actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021 valuation were based on the results of the TPAF, PERS and PFRS experience studies prepared for July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

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 4.50% 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 used to measure the total OPEB liability 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.

7 POST RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS (continued)

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-2022. 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-2022 for current disables retirees. Future disabled retirees was based on the Pub-2010 "Safety" (PFRS), "General" (PERS), and "Teachers" (TPAF/ABP) classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2022.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability reported by the State of New Jersey:

	Total OPEB Liability
The State's Total OPEB Liability Balance at June 30, 2021	\$60,007,650,970
Changes for the year:	
Service Cost	2,770,618,025
Interest on the Total OPEB Liability	1,342,187,139
Changes in Benefit Terms	-
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	1,399,476,059
Changes of Assumptions	(13,586,368,097)
Gross Benefit Payments	(1,329,476,059)
Contributions from Members	42,374,929
Net Changes	(9,361,188,004)
The State's Total OPEB Liability Balance at June 30, 2022	\$50,646,462,966
The State's Total OPEB Liability attributable to the Charter School	\$6,719,602
The State's Total OPEB Liability attributable to the Charter School	\$0,719,002

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the State for school board retirees, as well as what the State's total OPEB liability for school board would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1- percentage-point higher than the current discount rate:

7 POST RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS (continued)

	June 30, 2022		
	At 1% Decrease	At Discount Rate	At 1% Increase
	1.16%	2.16%	3.16%
Total OPEB Liability (School Retirees)	\$71,879,745,555	\$60,007,650,970	\$50,659,089,138
	June 30, 2021		
	At 1% Decrease	At Discount Rate	At 1% Increase
	2.54%	3.54%	4.54%
Total OPEB Liability (School Retirees)	\$59,529,589,697	\$50,646,462,966	\$43,527,080,995

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the State, as well as what the State's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	June 30, 2022		
		Health Care Cost	
	At 1% Decrease	Trend Rate	At 1% Increase
Total OPEB Liability (School Retirees)	\$48,576,388,471	\$60,007,650,970	\$75,358,991,782
	June 30, 2021		
		Health Care Cost	
	At 1% Decrease	Trend Rate	At 1% Increase
Total OPEB Liability (School Retirees)	\$41,862,397,291	\$50,646,462,966	\$62,184,866,635

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

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the Charter School recognized OPEB expense and related revenue of \$1,464,652 determined by the State as the total OPEB liability for benefits provided through a defined benefit OPEB plan that is not administered through a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASBS No. 75 and in which there is a special funding situation.

In accordance with GASBS No. 75, the Charter School's proportionate share of school retirees OPEB is zero, and there is no recognition of the allocation of proportionate share of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. At June 30, 2022, the State reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to retired school employee's OPEB from the following sources:

7 POST RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS (continued)

	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$9,042,402,619	\$15,462,950,679
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	8,765,620,577	17,237,289,230
Total	\$17,808,023,196	\$32,700,239,909

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to retired school employee's OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

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)			

8. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Charter School receives a substantial amount of its support from federal and state governments and College Achieve Public Charter Schools, Inc. 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.

9. **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.

9. **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (continued)**

The Charter School's attorney's letter advises that there is no litigation, pending litigation claims, contingent liabilities, unasserted claims for assessments or statutory violations which involved the Charter School and which might materially affect the Charter School's financial position.

10. 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 under the "Contributory Method". Under this plan, the Charter School is required to remit employee withholdings to the State on a quarterly basis. All of the Charter School's claims are paid by the State.

11. RECEIVABLES

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

	<u>General</u>	Special <u>Revenue</u>	Proprietary <u>Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Receivables:				
Accounts	<u>\$98,278</u>	<u>\$836,879</u>	<u>\$42,288</u>	<u>\$977,445</u>
Gross Receivables	<u>\$98,278</u>	<u>\$836,879</u>	<u>\$42,288</u>	<u>\$977,445</u>

12. CAPITAL / RIGHT TO USE LEASE ASSETS

The following schedule is a summarization of the governmental activities changes in Capital / Right to Use Assets for the year ended June 30, 2023. Capital / Right to Use Asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 is as follows:

12. <u>CAPITAL ASSETS (continued)</u>

	Balance	Increase/	Balance
	July 1, 2022	Decrease	June 30, 2023
Governmental Activities			
Capital Assets, being Depreciated:			
Improvements	\$243,255	\$989,335	\$1,232,590
Furniture/Equipment	252,608	-	252,608
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated	496,463	989,335	1,485,198
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:			
Furniture/Equipment/Improvements	(118,681)	(52,342)	(171,023)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(118,681)	(52,342)	(171,023)
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$377,782	\$936,993	\$1,314,175

Depreciation expense of \$52,342 was charged to an unallocated function.

	Beginning Balance July 1, 2022	ance Net Additions			
Governmental Activities					
Right to use lease assets:					
Premises	\$35,089,900		\$35,089,900		
Total	\$35,089,900	\$0	\$35,089,900		
Less accumulated amortization for:	(1,002,570)	(1,002,570)	(2,005,140)		
Right to use lease assets, net	\$34,087,330	(\$1,002,570)	\$33,084,760		

13. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Charter School has evaluated subsequent events occurring after the financial statement date through February 15, 2024 which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Based upon this evaluation, the Charter School has determined that no subsequent events needed to be disclosed.

14. 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.

14. RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

The reconciliation is as follows:

Fund balance per B-1 (Governmental)	\$7,399,116
Cost of capital assets - net as of June 30, 2023	1,314,775
Pension deferred outflows	2,510,948
Pension deferred inflows	(428,342)
Deferred pension liability	(2,743,941)
Right -to-use assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. The cost of the assets is \$35,089,900 less the accumulated amortization (\$2,005,140)	33,084,760
Lease liabilities used in governmental activities are not financial	(2 - 222 222)
resourced and therefore are not reported in the funds	(34,292,067)
Net position (per A-1) as of June 30, 2023 - (Governmental)	\$6,845,249

15. RENTAL COMMITMENTS

The school has entered into several non-cancellable lease agreements.

- A) A lease was entered into with CAPS 21 Market LLC in January 2022 for the property at 21 Market Street, Paterson, NJ. The term of the lease is through June 30, 2026 with automatic renewals equal to each charter renewal until June 30, 2057.
- B) A lease was entered into with CAPS in June 2022 for the property at 5 Colt St, Paterson, NJ The term of the lease is through May 31, 2026 with 4 automatic renewals every 5 years
- C) An agreement was signed with Dawn Treader for gym use through June 30, 2024, 10 payments each year (Sept-June)
- D) A lease was entered into with CAPS in August 2022 for the property at 137 Ellison Street, Paterson, NJ. The term of the lease is through June 30, 2024, with 3 automatic one year renewals.
- E) A lease was entered into with The Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) in August 2022 for gym use at 128 Ward Street, Paterson, NJ. The term of the lease was through August 31, 2023, with 25 optional one year renewals.

The Charter School leases its premises under the terms of non-cancelable leases from CAPS 21 Market LLC and others through the Charter School's current charter. Certain leases are automatically extended upon the charter renewal and can be extended through various dates through June 30, 2057. The school also leases various parking lots with the city of Paterson Parking Authority. A total of \$234,540 was paid under the leases for the year ending June 30, 2023. Interest expense on the leases was \$1,520,346 for the year ended June 30, 2023, which is reflected as lease interest expense in the accompanying budgetary comparison schedule —

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

15. RENTAL COMMITMENTS (continued)

general fund (exhibit C-1). The net value of the right-to-use lease assets and lease liabilities was (\$1,207,307) as of June 30, 2023, which was calculated using a discount rate of 5% (the School's estimated incremental borrowing rate as of July 1, 2021). The value of the lease liabilities and right-of-use lease assets at July 1, 2021 was

\$35,089,900. Amortization of the related right-to-use lease assets was \$1,002,170 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

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

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Long Term Lease Schedule June 30, 2023

Fiscal Year	Principal	Amortization	
2023 - 2057	\$34,292,067	\$38,373,955	\$33,084,760

In addition the charter school is required to maintain the following covenants under this lease as follows:

Financial Covenants - Tenant agrees to maintain the following financial covenants applicable to it as a member of the defined term Covenant Group (College Achieve Paterson Charter School and CAPS 21 Market Street, LLC:

- (a) Debt Service Coverage Ratio The Tenant covenants that the Covenant Group shall maintain in each Fiscal Year a Debt Service Coverage Ratio of at least 110%, subject to statutory, governmental, judicial and/or administrative limitations on the ability of members of the Covenant Group to collect revenues.
- (b) Cash on Hand Ratio The Tenant covenants that the Covenant Group shall maintain in each Fiscal Year the ratio obtained by dividing (i) Cash on Hand for such Fiscal Year by (ii) Cash Operating Expenses for such Fiscal Year, calculated as of the last day of such Fiscal Year at least 15%.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the Covenant Group achieved a debt service coverage ratio of 13.512 and a cash on hand ratio of 13.971%. The Group covenant calculations for the year ended June 30, 2023 are not yet available.

15. RENTAL COMMITMENTS (continued)

Operations and Maintenance Covenant - In addition to Rent due herein, the Tenant shall make a monthly payment directly to the Master Trustee for deposit into the Series 2021 0&M Account, in an amount calculated based on the projected 5-year cost set forth in the Capital Needs Assessment, divided by 60 (the "O&M Requirement"). The O&M Requirement shall be adjusted downwards by the amount of any included capital outlay improvements which are completed by the School or Landlord (the "Modified O&M Requirement). The monthly payment amount shall be sufficient to grow the balance of the 2021 0&M Account to equal the Modified O&M Requirement as of the fifth anniversary of the Capital Needs Assessment, with a minimum of \$5,000 per month and maximum of \$50,000 per month.

16. HEALTH INSURANCE CO-OP – COLLEGE ACHIEVE CENTRAL CHARTER SCHOOL

The school was a participant in a Health Insurance Co-Op during the year with College Achieve Central Charter School and College Achieve Greater Asbury Park Charter School, the school reimbursed College Achieve Central Charter School in the amount of \$1,736,740 for Health Insurance premiums during the year ended June 30, 2023. No amounts are outstanding at June 30, 2023.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PART II



COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Budgetary Comparison Schedule

General Fund

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	٦	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance nal to Actual
REVENUES:	 			 		
Local Sources:						
State / Local Share	\$ 21,782,100	\$	(644,985)	\$ 21,137,115	\$ 21,237,115	(100,000)
Miscellaneous	-		-	0	51,701	\$ (51,701)
Total - Local Sources	21,782,100		(644,985)	21,137,115	21,288,816	(151,701)
Special Education	527,698		(159,720)	367,978	 367,978	-
Security Aid	722,301		(1,684)	720,617	720,617	-
TPAF Long Term Disb (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)					1,159	(1,159)
TPAF Medical (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)					351,954	(351,954)
TPAF Pension (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)	-			-	1,339,769	(1,339,769)
TPAF Social Security (Reimbursed - Non-Budgeted)	 				 382,017	(382,017)
Total State Sources	1,249,999		(161,404)	1,088,595	3,163,494	(2,074,899)
Federal Sources:						
Total - Federal Sources						
Total Revenues	23,032,099		(806,389)	 22,225,710	24,452,310	(2,226,600)
EXPENDITURES:						
Current Expense:						
Regular Programs - Instruction						
Teachers Salary	5,541,668		(146,338)	5,395,330	5,395,330	\$ -
Other Salaries	170,800		5,640	176,440	176,440	-
Prof/Tech Services	2,142,996		55,606	2,198,602	2,198,602	-
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	2,049,544		(889,893)	1,159,651	1,141,850	17,801
General Supplies	647,000		(165,471)	481,529	20,365	461,164
Textbooks	200,000		(200,000)	-	-	-
Other Objects	 		118,877	118,877	 118,877	-
TOTAL REGULAR PROGRAMS - INSTRUCTION	10,752,008		(1,221,579)	9,530,429	9,051,464	478,965

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Support Services - General Administrative					
Salaries of Administative Salaries	2,545,207	594,874	3,140,081	3,140,081	-
Salaries of Secretarial and Clerical Assistants	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of Benefits	3,379,020	(1,018,793)	2,360,227	2,313,004	47,223
Consultants	70,000	22,000	92,000	73,004	18,996
Purchased Professional Services (400-500 series)	1,483,664	-	1,483,664	1,434,686	48,978
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	409,360	(375,000)	34,360	5,521	28,839
Communications/Telephone	66,000	267,412	333,412	333,412	-
Supplies and Materials	33,000	73,232	106,232	106,232	-
Other Objects	15,000	4,346	19,346	19,346	-
	8,001,251	(431,929)	7,569,322	7,425,286	144,036
Support Services - School Admin/Operation Plant Services					
Salaries	825,448	(442,240)	383,208	383,208	-
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	193,644	777,728	971,372	971,372	-
Other Purchased Services	320,000	249,878	569,878	569,878	-
Rental of Land and Building- other than Lease Purchase Agreements	384,612	-	384,612	384,612	-
Insurance	262,000	37,212	299,212	299,212	-
General Supplies	-	72,675	72,675	72,675	-
Transportation- Trips	25,000	-	25,000	6,875	18,125
Energy (Energy and Electricity)	170,000	(31,188)	138,812	138,812	-
Other Objects	80,000	(55,502)	24,498	24,498	-
Lease Interest Expense	1,281,790	238,556	1,520,346	1,520,346	-
Principal Payments on Lease	408,646	-	408,646	408,646	-
Total Undist. Expend Other Oper. & Maint. Of Plant	3,951,140	847,119	4,798,259	4,780,134	18,125
Food Service and After Care Program					
Other Purchased Services	-	-	-	-	
Total Food Services			-	_	-
TPAF Long Term Disb (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)		-		1,159	(1,159)
TPAF Medical (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)				351,954	(351,954)
TPAF Pension (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)	-		-	1,339,769	(1,339,769)
TPAF Social Security (Reimbursed - Non-Budgeted)				382,017	(382,017)
TOTAL ON-BEHALF CONTRIBUTIONS		-	-	2,074,899	(2,074,899)
TOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED EXPENDITURES					
	11,952,391	415,190	12,367,581	14,280,319	(1,912,738)
TOTAL GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE	22,704,399	(806,389)	21,898,010	23,331,783	(1,433,773)

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
CAPITAL OUTLAY Equipment					
Regular Programs - Instruction:					
Non-Instructional Equipment	50,000	_	50,000	3,006	46,994
Instructional Equipment	277,700	_	277,700	9,150	268,550
Interest Expense Current Loans	-	-	-	-	
Interest Expense- Mortgages	-	-	-	-	-
Building Improvements	-	-	-	-	-
Lease paymernts					
Total Equipment	327,700	-	327,700	12,156	315,544
TOTAL EXPENDITURES- GENERAL FUND	23,032,099	(806,389)	22,225,710	23,343,939	(1,118,229)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u> </u>	-	-	1,108,371	(1,108,371)
Other Financing Sources: Operating Transfer In:				-	
Total Other Financing Sources:	-	-	-	-	-
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	-	1,108,371	(1,108,371)
Fund Balance, July 1, 2022	_	-	6,290,745	6,290,745	
Fund Balance, June 30, 2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,290,745	\$ 7,399,116	\$ (1,108,371)

Exhibit C-2 Page 1

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Budgetary Comparison Schedule Special Revenue Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Budget	Transfers	Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
REVENUES:					
Local Sources	\$ -	ç	-	\$ -	
State Sources	185,893		185,893	185,893	
Federal Sources	6,061,519		6,061,519	6,061,519	
Total Revenues	6,247,412	•	6,247,412	6,247,412	
EXPENDITURES:					
Instruction					
Salaries of Teachers	1,197,077		1,197,077	1,197,077	
Other Salaries for Instruction	35,798		35,798	35,798	
Purchased Professional -Educational Services	-		-	-	
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	1,192,974		1,192,974	1,192,974	
Food Service Subsidy	· · ·		-	-	
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	242,892		242,892	242,892	
Textbooks	, -		, <u>-</u>	-	
General Supplies	1,497,530		1,497,530	1,497,530	
Personal Services- Employee Benefits	378,686		378,686	378,686	
Instructional services	, -		, -	-	
Equipment- instructional	225,313		225,313	225,313	
Total Instruction	4,770,270		4,770,270	4,770,270	
Support Services					
Salaries of Supervisor of Instruction	308,477		308,477	308,477	
Salaries of Program Directors	,		,	•	
Salaries of Other Professional Staff	-		-	-	
Salaries of Secretaries & Clerical Assistants					
Other Salaries					
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	_		_	_	
Purchased Professional - Educational Services	255,092		255,092	255,092	
Other Purchased Professional Services	91,819		91,819	91,819	
Supplies	49,653		49,653	49,653	
Field Trips	,,,,,		-,	-,	
Scholarships					
Tuition					
Travel					
Other purchased Services (400-500 series)	_		_	_	
Equipment- Non-instructional	175,058		175,058	175,058	
Building Improvements	597,043		597,043	597,043	
Total Support Services	1,477,142		1,477,142	1,477,142	

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Budgetary Comparison Schedule Special Revenue Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Buildings Improvements Instructional Equipment Noninstructional Equipment Total Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services					
Transfer to Charter School					
Total Expenditures	6,247,412		6,247,412	6,247,412	
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfer in from General Fund Transfer Out to Whole School Reform (General Fund)					
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Total Outflows					
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)					

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Required Supplementary Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule Note to RSI

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

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

The general fund budget and the special revenue budget basis are GAAP, therefore no reconciliation is required

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS - PERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30* (UNAUDITED)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Charter School Proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	\$2,743,941	\$1,175,752	\$1,070,434	\$569,245	N/A	N/A
Charter School Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	0.018182%	0.009924%	0.00656%	0.00316%	N/A	N/A
Charter School Covered employee payroll	\$2,202,535	\$1,144,517	\$589,076	\$274,890	N/A	N/A
Charter School Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a						
percentage of its covered-employee payroll	124.6%	102.7%	181.7%	207.1%	N/A	N/A
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	80.3%	97.30%	58.32%	56.27%	N/A	N/A

^{*}Until a full ten year trend is compiled, information will be presented for those years for which the information is available.

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS - PERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30* (UNAUDITED)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$175,786 (\$175,786)	\$116,232 (\$116,232)	\$71,808 (\$71,808)	\$30,730 (\$30,730)	N/A N/A	N/A N/A
Contribution deficiency (excess)	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Charter School Covered employee payroll	\$2,202,535	\$1,144,517	\$589,706	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	8.0%	10.20%	12.20%	N/A	N/A	N/A

^{*}Until a full ten year trend is compiled, information will be presented for those years for which the information is available.

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY - TPAF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 (UNAUDITED)

Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Charter School Proportion of the net pension liability (asset)**	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Charter School Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)**	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability						
(asset) associated with the Charter School	\$13,677,004	\$7,620,728	\$5,981,109	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total	\$13,677,004	\$7,620,728	\$5,981,109	N/A	N/A	N/A
Charter School Covered employee payroll Charter School Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a	\$4,517,067	\$3,136,270	\$2,335,246	N/A	N/A	N/A
percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0%	0%	0%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	33.03%	35.52%	24.60%	N/A	N/A	N/A

^{**}NOTE: TPAF is a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 in which the State of New Jersey is 100% responsible (employer) for contributions to the plan. Since the charter school does not contribute directly to liability to report in the financial the plan there is no net pension statements of the charter school.

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY AND SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Change of Benefit Terms: None

Change of Assumptions: Assumptions used in calculating the net pension liability and statutorily

required employer contribution are presented in the notes to the

financial statements.

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE OPEB LIABILITY AND SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE OPEB LIABILITY NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Change of Benefit Terms: None

Change of Assumptions: Assumptions used in calculating the OPEB liability are presented in the

notes to the financial statements.

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE STATE'S TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS

STATE HEALTH BENEFIT LOCAL EDUCATION RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (TPAF AND PERS) (UNAUDITED)

Fiscal Years*

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
The State of New Jersey's Total OPEB Liability						
Service Cost	\$2,770,618,025	\$3,217,874,264	\$1,790,973,822	\$1,734,404,850	\$1,984,642,729	\$2,391,878,884
Interest	1,342,187,139	1,556,661,679	1,503,341,357	1,827,787,206	1,970,236,232	1,699,441,736
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	1,399,200,736	11,449,632,500	11,544,750,637	(7,323,140,818)	(5,002,065,740)	
Benefit Payment	(1,329,476,059)	59,202,105	(1,180,515,618)	(1,280,958,373)	(1,232,987,247)	(1,242,412,566)
Contributions from Members	42,650,252		35,781,384	37,971,171	42,614,005	45,748,749
Changes of Assumptions or other inputs	(13,586,368,097)	(1,186,417,186)	12,386,549,981	622,184,027	(5,291,448,855)	(7,086,599,129)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(\$9,361,188,004)	(\$7,802,311,638)	\$26,080,881,563	(\$4,381,751,937)	(\$7,529,008,876)	(\$4,191,942,326)
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning	\$60,007,650,970	\$67,809,962,608	\$41,729,081,045	\$46,110,832,982	\$53,639,841,858	\$57,831,784,184
Total OPEB Liability - Ending	\$50,646,462,966	\$60,007,650,970	\$67,809,962,608	\$41,729,081,045	\$46,110,832,982	53,639,841,858
The State of New Jersey's total OPEB liability**	\$50,646,492,966	\$60,007,650,970	\$67,809,962,608	\$41,729,081,045	\$46,110,832,982	\$53,639,841,858
The State of New Jersey's OPEB liability attributable to the Charter School	\$6,719,602	\$4,033,407	\$2,294,004	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Charter School's proportionate share of the total OPEB liability	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charter School's covered employee payroll	5,392,297	4,460,787	2,924,322	0	0	0
Total Charter School's OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Charter School's contribution	None	None	None	None	None	None
State's covered employee payroll	\$14,753,355,408	\$14,425,669,769	\$14,267,738,657	\$13,929,083,479	\$13,640,275,833	\$13,493,400,208
Total State's OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	343.29%	416.00%	475.00%	300.00%	338.05%	397.53%

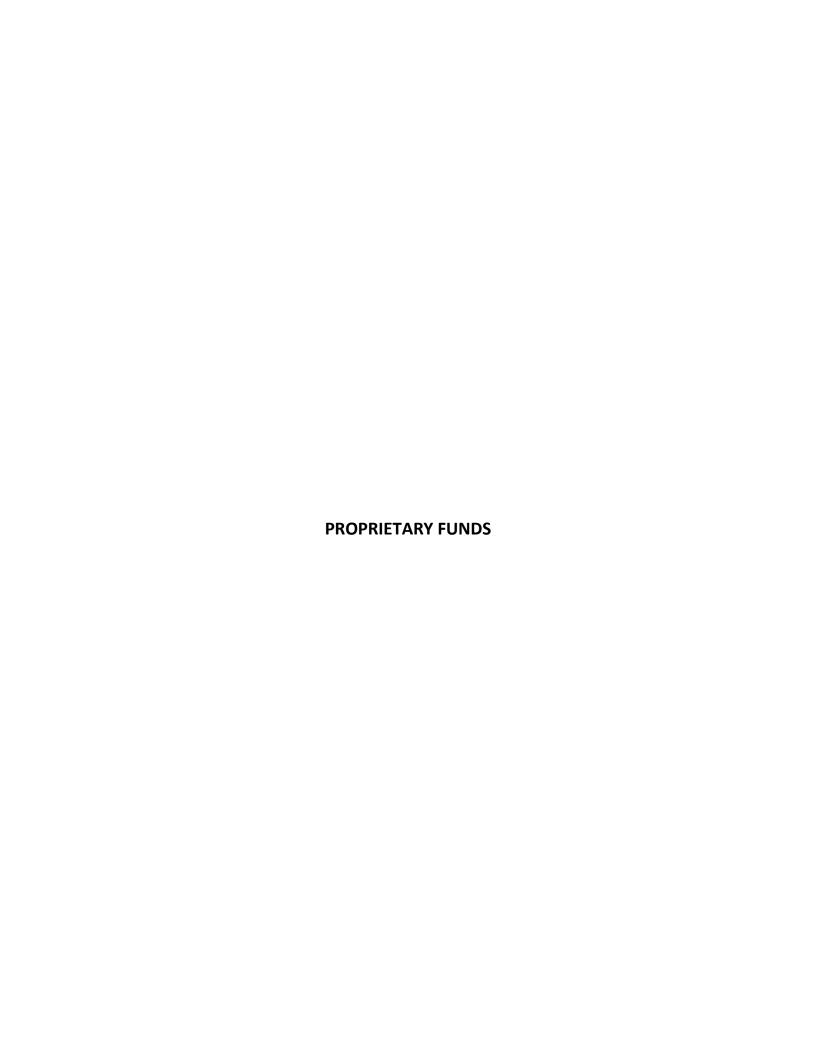
^{**}Note: Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) for employees of the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) is considered a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 75 in which the State of New Jersey is 100% responsible for contributions to the health insurance plan. The district (employer) does not contribute to the plan and the district's OPEB liability is zero.

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

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	
Special Povenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of special revenue.	
Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of special revenue resources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.	
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COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Special Revenue Fund Combining Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures- Budgetary Basis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

		TITLE I		IDEA PART B	IDEA	CRRSA ACT	CRRSA ACT	ESSER	ESSER EVID BASED	ESSER MENTAL	ESSER LEARNING	ESSER	SDA EMERGENT	CSP
	TOTAL	PART A	TITLE III	REGULAR	PRESCHOOL	LEARN ACCEL	MENTAL HLTH	ARP	ARP	ARP	ARP	II	GRANT	GRANT
REVENUES														
Intergovernmental														
State	\$185,893												\$185,893	
Federal	6,061,519	\$1,656,042	\$38,930	\$289,794	\$6,218	\$127,524	\$45,000	\$2,890,598	\$40,000	\$14,518	\$19,741	\$545,709		\$387,445
Other Sources														
Miscellaneous														
Total Revenues	6,247,412	1,656,042	38,930	289,794	6,218	127,524	45,000	2,890,598	40,000	14,518	19,741	545,709	185,893	387,445
EXPENDITURES														
Instruction														
Salaries	1,197,077	863,804	25,185					308,088						
Salaries -Other Instruction Other Purchased Services	35,798							35,798						
Purchased Prof. and Tech.and Edu Services	242,892 1,192,974		200	289,794	6,218	127,524	45,000	242,892 246,256	40,000	14.510	19,741	95,935	185,893	121,795
		150,990	300 301	289,794	6,218	127,524	45,000	845,825	40,000	14,518	19,741	283,837	185,893	216,577
General Supplies Recruitment	1,497,530 0	150,990	301					845,825				283,837		216,5//
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	378,686	365.842	12.844											
Textbooks	378,686	365,842	12,844											
Instructional Services	0													0
Equipment - Instructional	225,313							217,234				8,079		U
Total Instruction	4,770,270	1,380,636	38,630	289,794	6,218	127,524	45,000	1,896,093	40,000	14,518	19,741	387,851	185,893	338,372
Support Services	1,770,270	1,500,050	50,050	203,731	0,210	127,521	13,000	1,050,055	10,000	1 1,010	15,7 11	507,051	100,000	550,572
Salaries of Supervisors of Instruction	308,477	259,404												49,073
Salaries of Program Directors														
Salaries of Other Prof. Staff														
Salaries of Secretarial and Clerical Ass't														
Personal Services - Employee Benefits														
Supplies and Materials	49,653	16,002						27,026				6,625		
Other Purchased Services	91,819		300					91,519						
Purchased Professional/Educational Services	255,092							255,092						
Class- room Improvements	0													
Building Improvements	597,043							445,810				151,233		
Non instructional Equipment	175,058							175,058						
Total Support Services	1,477,142	275,406	300		-	-		994,505	0	- 0	- 0	157,858		49,073
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$6,247,412	\$1,656,042	\$38,930	\$289,794	\$6,218	\$127,524	\$45,000	\$2,890,598	\$40,000	\$14,518	\$19,741	\$545,709	\$185,893	\$387,445



ENTERPRISE FUND

Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent is that the cost of providing goods and services be financed through user charges or where the board has decided that periodical determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

Food Service Fund - The fund provides for the operation of food services in all schools.

Exhibit G-1

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statement of Net Position Proprietary Fund As of June 30, 2023

	Proprietary Fund Business-Type Activities Enterprise
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$36,496
Federal	41,426
State	862
Total Current Assets	78,784
Total Assets	\$78,784
LIABILITIES	
Total Current Liabilities	
Net Position	
Unrestricted	78,784
Invested in capital assets - net	
Total Net Position	\$78,784

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position Proprietary Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Business Type Activities
OPERATING REVENUES	Enterprise Fund
Daily Sales - Reimbursable Programs	Ć0
Additional Subsidy	\$0
Total Operating Revenues	0
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Salaries, wages and employee benefits	(149,412)
Supplies, Materials & Other	(505,780)
Rent and overhead	(26,439)
Total Operating Expenses	(681,631)
Income (Loss) From Operations	(681,631)
Nonoperating Revenues	
State Sources	
State Breakfast	5,279
State Lunch	8,175
Federal Sources	
School Breakfast Program	134,965
National School Lunch Program	499,371
National Snack Program	27,745
Board Subsidy	0
Total Nonoperating Revenues	675,535
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position before transfers	(6,096)
Total Net Position- Beginning of Year - July 1, 2022	84,880
Total Net Position- End of Year - June 30, 2023	\$78,784

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Statements of Cash Flows Proprietary Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Proprietary Fund Business-Type Activities
Cash flows from operating activities	
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(\$505,780)
Cash Payments to Employee's Salaries and Benefits	(149,412)
Cash Payments to Rent and overhead	(\$26,439)
Net Cash (Used) by Operating Activities	(681,631)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities	
Cash Received from General Fund Transfer (Contribution)	0
Cash Received from State and Federal Subsidy Reimbursements	696,898
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	696,898
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	15,267
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year - July 1, 2022	21,229
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year - June 30, 2023	\$36,496
Reconcilliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	
Operating Income (Loss)	(\$6,096)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to	(\$0,030)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	
Decrease in Accounts Receivable	21,363
Change in Assets and Liabilities	0
Total Adjustment	21,363
Net Cash Provided by (Used In) Operating Activities	\$15,267

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Fiduciary Funds Combining Statement of Agency Fund Net Position As of June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL
Nonexpendable Trust Fund
Combining Statement of Agency Fund Net Position
Fiduciary Funds
As of June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Student Activity Agency Fund Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements Fiduciary Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Payroll Agency Fund Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements Fiduciary Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL
Unemployment Compensation Insurance Trust Fund
Statement of Receipts and Disbursements
Fiduciary Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

STATISTICAL SECTION

This part of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School annual comprehensive financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the school's overall financial health.

Contents	Exhibits
Financial Trends	J- I to J-5
These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the government's financial performance and well-being have changed over time.	
Revenue Capacity	J-6 to J-9
These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the government's most significant local revenue source, the property tax.	
Debt Capacity	J-10 to J-13
These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the government's current levels of outstanding debt and the government's ability to issue additional debt in the future.	
Demographic and Economic Information	J-14 and J-15
These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the government's financial activities take place.	
Operating Information	J-16 to J-20
These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the government's financial report relates to	

Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the annual comprehensive financial reports for the relevant year.

the services the government provides and the activities it performs.



COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL NET POSITION (DEFICIT) BY COMPONENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (UNAUDITED)

	 2023	2022	2 2021		2020		2019		2018
Governmental activities									
Invested in capital assets, net	\$ 1,314,775	\$ 377,782	\$	134,860	\$ 93,306	\$	114,038	\$	134,770
Unrestricted Net Position	5,530,474	5,766,043		3,307,078	1,891,974		849,397		13,172
Total governmental activities net position	\$ 6,845,249	\$ 6,143,825	\$	3,441,938	\$ 1,985,280	\$	963,435	\$	147,942
Business-type activities Invested in capital assets, net									
Unrestricted Net Position	78,784	84,880		100,862	89,514		-		-
Total business-type activities net position	\$ 78,784	\$ 84,880	\$	100,862	\$ 89,514	\$	43,947	\$	-
School-wide									
Invested in capital assets, net	\$1,314,775	\$377,782		\$134,860	\$93,306		\$114,038		\$134,770
Unrestricted Net Position	5,609,258	5,850,923		3,407,940	1,981,488		893,344		13,172
Total school net position	\$ 6,924,033	\$ 6,228,705	\$	3,542,800	\$ 2,074,794	\$	1,007,382	\$	147,942

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL CHANGES IN NET POSITION (DEFICIT) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (UNAUDITED)

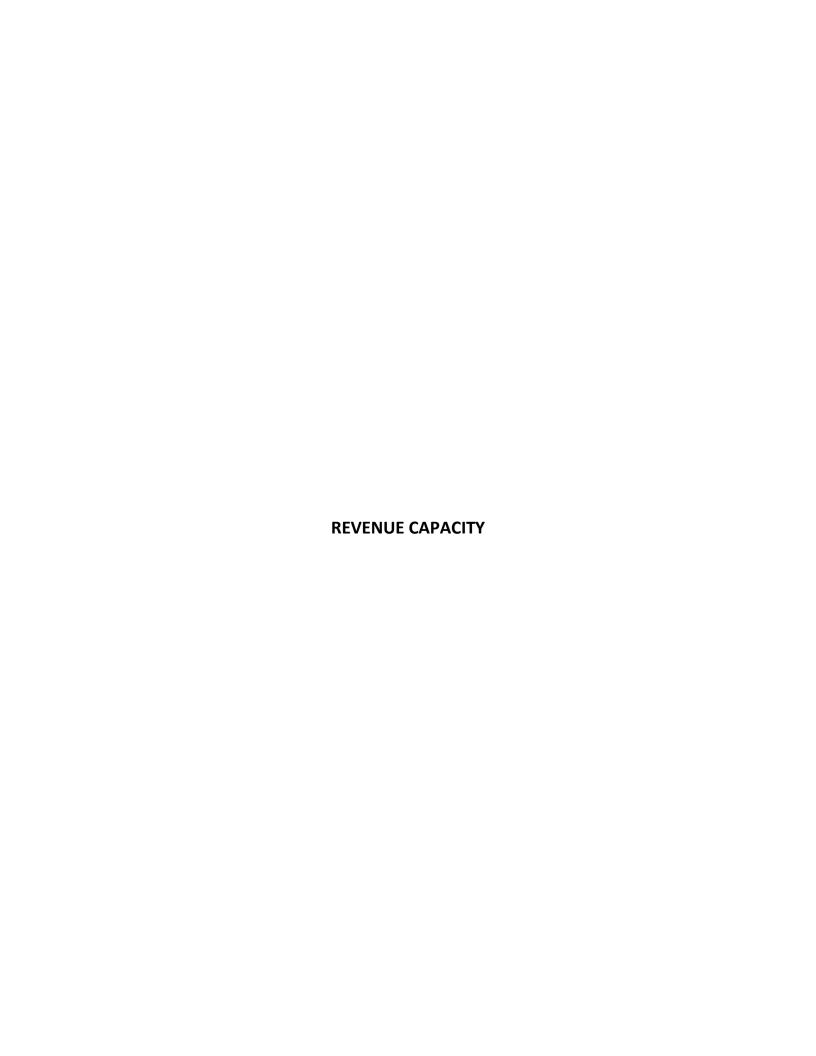
	(1	UNAUDITED)				
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	2018
Expenses						
Governmental activities						
Instruction						
Regular	\$13,821,734	\$11,265,722	\$7,161,200	\$5,604,664	\$2,804,504	\$1,594,528
Support Services:						
General administration	8,902,428	6,097,710	3,678,664	2,157,663	2,228,063	1,004,996
School Administrative Services	4,780,134	3,344,603	3,005,633	2,115,403	1,330,158	771,857
On-behalf TPAF Social Securituy	2,074,899	1,684,701	859,428	447,118	96,389	85,399
Capital outlay	12,156	3,392	135,349	0	0	171,791
Amortization exp. over prin. paymts over leases	0	612,983	,-			, -
Unallocated depreciation	52,342	41,328	(41,554)	20,732	20,732	10,366
Total governmental activities expenses	29,643,693	23,050,439	14,798,720	10,345,580	6,479,846	3,638,937
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Business-type activities:						
Food service	681,631	754,975	89,508	240,555	237,374	0
Total business-type activities expense	681,631	754,975	89,508	240,555	237,374	0
Total school expenses	\$30,325,324	\$23,805,414	\$14,888,228	\$10,586,135	\$6,717,220	\$3,638,937
•						
Program Revenues						
Governmental activities:						
Operating grants and contributions	\$6,247,412	\$4,404,331	\$963,030	\$486,204	\$345,389	\$245,567
Capital grants and contributions						
Total governmental activities program revenues	6,247,412	4,404,331	963,030	486,204	345,389	245,567
•						
Business-type activities:						
Charges for services						
Food service	675,535	770,957	100,854	286,122	0	0
Operating grants and contributions					0	0
Capital grants and contributions						
Total business type activities program revenues	675,535	770,957	100,854	286,122	0	0
Total school program revenues	\$6,922,947	\$5,175,288	\$1,063,884	\$772,326	\$345,389	\$245,567
•						
Net (Expense)/Revenue						
Governmental activities	(\$23,396,281)	(\$18,646,108)	(\$13,835,690)	(\$9,859,376)	(\$6,134,457)	(\$3,393,370)
Business-type activities	(\$6,096)	(\$15,982)	\$11,346	\$45,567	\$43,947	\$0
Total school-wide net expense	(\$23,402,377)	(\$18,662,090)	(\$13,824,344)	(\$9,813,809)	(\$6,090,510)	(\$3,393,370)
•						
Governmental activities:						
Local share	\$0	\$0	\$1,370,400	\$868,113	\$607,945	\$296,933
State Share	21,237,115	17,777,771	11,702,494	8,625,758	5,768,606	2,767,847
State and Federal Aid aid	3,163,494	2,729,589	1,869,887	1,390,060	549,363	246,321
Miscellaneous Income	51,701					
Amortization expense over principal payments of leases	(594,324)					
Increase (Decrease) in Net Capital Outlay	989,335	284,250	0	0	0	145,136
Pension Adjustment	(136,633)	(126,426)				
Total governmental activities	\$24,710,688	\$20,665,184	\$14,942,781	\$10,883,931	\$6,925,914	\$3,456,237
•						
Business-type activities:						
Investment earnings						
Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total business-type activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total school-wide	\$24,710,688	\$20,665,184	\$14,942,781	\$10,883,931	\$6,925,914	\$3,456,237
•						
Change in Net Position						
Governmental activities	\$1,314,407	\$2,019,076	\$1,107,091	\$1,024,555	\$791,457	\$62,867
Business-type activities	(\$6,096)	(\$15,982)		\$43,947	\$43,947	\$0
Total school	\$1,308,311	\$2,003,094	\$1,107,091	\$1,068,502	\$835,404	\$62,867
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COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (UNAUDITED)

	<u>2023</u>	2022	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
General Fund Unreserved Fund Balance	\$ 7,399,116 \$	6,290,745 \$	3,705,354 \$	1,993,778 \$	849,397 \$	13,172
Total general fund	\$ 7,399,116 \$	6,290,745 \$	3,705,354 \$	1,993,778 \$	849,397 \$	13,172
All Other Governmental Funds Reserved Unreserved	\$ - \$ 0	- \$ 0	- \$ 0	- \$ 0	- \$ 0	- 0
Total all other governmental funds						

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL SCHOOLWIDE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (UNAUDITED)

	<u>2023</u>	2022	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u> 2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Revenues						
Local tax Levy	\$0	\$0	\$1,370,400	\$868,113	\$607,945	\$296,933
Other local revenue	51,701	69,828	646,042	195,094	24,036	85,075
State sources	24,586,502	20,507,360	13,572,381	10,015,818	6,317,969	3,014,168
Propriety	675,535	754,975	100,854	286,122	281,321	
Federal sources	6,061,519	4,404,331	963,030	390,204	345,389	245,657
Total revenue	31,375,257	25,736,494	16,652,707	11,755,351	7,576,660	3,641,833
Expenditures						
Instruction						
Regular Instruction	9,051,464	7,662,931	6,212,717	5,242,058	2,459,115	1,348,961
Support Services:						
General administration	7,425,286	5,296,170	3,664,117	2,034,065	2,228,063	1,004,996
School administrative services/Plant	4,780,134	3,344,603	3,005,633	2,115,403	1,330,158	771,857
TPAF Social Security	2,074,899	1,684,701	859,428	447,118	96,389	85,399
Capital outlay	12,156	3,392	135,349		0	171,791
Propriety	681,631	770,957	89,508	240,555	237,374	171,791
Special Revenue	6,247,412	4,404,331	963,030	486,204	345,389	245,657
Total expenditures	30,272,982	23,167,085	14,929,782	10,565,403	6,696,488	3,800,452
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues						
over (under) expenditures	1,102,275	2,569,409	1,722,925	118,948	880,172	(158,619)
Other Financing sources (uses)						
Transfers in						
Transfers out						
Total other financing sources (uses)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net change in fund balance	\$ 1,102,275	\$ 2,569,409	\$ 1,722,925	\$ 1,189,948 \$	880,172 \$	(158,619)



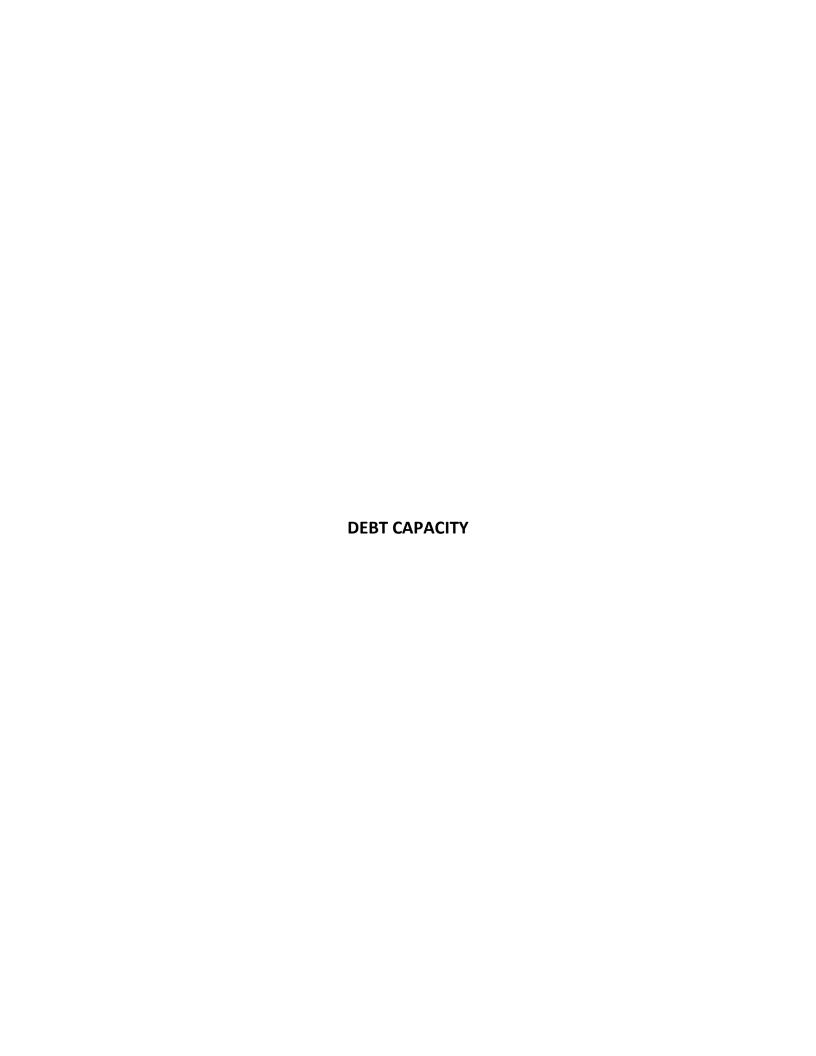
COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL General Fund - Other Local Revenue By Source For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30 (UNAUDITED)

	Sale of Capital Assets	Donations	Loan Forgiveness PPP / SBA	Prior Year Refunds	Sale and Leaseback of Textbooks	Misc.	Totals
2018						\$85,075	\$85,075
2019						24,036	24,036
2020						99,094	99,094
2021			629,353			16,689	646,042
2022						69,828	69,828
2023						51,701	51,701
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COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Assessed Value and Actual Value of Taxable Property For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Direct and Overlapping Property Tax Rates For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Principal Property Taxpayers For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023



COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Property Tax Levies and Collections For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Ratios of Net General Bonded Debt Outstanding For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Direct and Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023



COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Legal Debt Margin Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Demographic and Economic Statistics For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

OPERATING INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Principal Employers For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Full-time Equivalent School Employees by Function/Program For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30 (UNAUDITED)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Function/Program						
Teachers	98	92	69	54	36	19
Support Services	30	18	19	11	8	7
Administration	18	15	10	6	4	3
Total	146	125	98	71	48	29

Source: School Personnel Records

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Operating Statistics For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30 (UNAUDITED)

Fiscal Year	Enrollment	Operating Expenditures	Cost Per Pupil	Percentage Change	Teaching Staff	Pupil Teacher Ratio	Average Daily Enrollment (ADE)	Average Daily Attendance (ADA)	% Change in Average Daily Enrollment	Student Attendance Percentage
2018	288	1,739,827	6,041	N/A	10	10	276	262.2	N/A	96.00%
2019	505	6,696,488	13,260	1.95%	33	11:1	490	475	78%	97.00%
2020	737	10,565,406	14,336	8%	54	13:1	712	696	45%	95.00%
2021	1,012	14,840,274	14,664	2%	67	14:1	961	906	35%	94.30%
2022	1,172	23,167,085	19,767	34.7%	82	14:1	1167	1109	21%	95.00%
2023	1,294	25,591,351	19,777	0%	98	13:1	1276.3	1229	9%	96.30%

Sources: School records

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL School Building Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30 (UNAUDITED)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
School Building						
Main Campus						
Square Feet	130,254	102,000	90,840	53,200	37,640	28,250
Capacity (students)	1,540	1,240	1,240	840	400	400
Enrollment	1,294	1,172	1,012	737	505	288
ADE	1,276	1,167	961	712	490	276
Number of Schools at June 30	3	2	2	1	1	1

Source: School Office

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL General Fund - Schedule of Required Maintenance For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Insurance Schedule For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

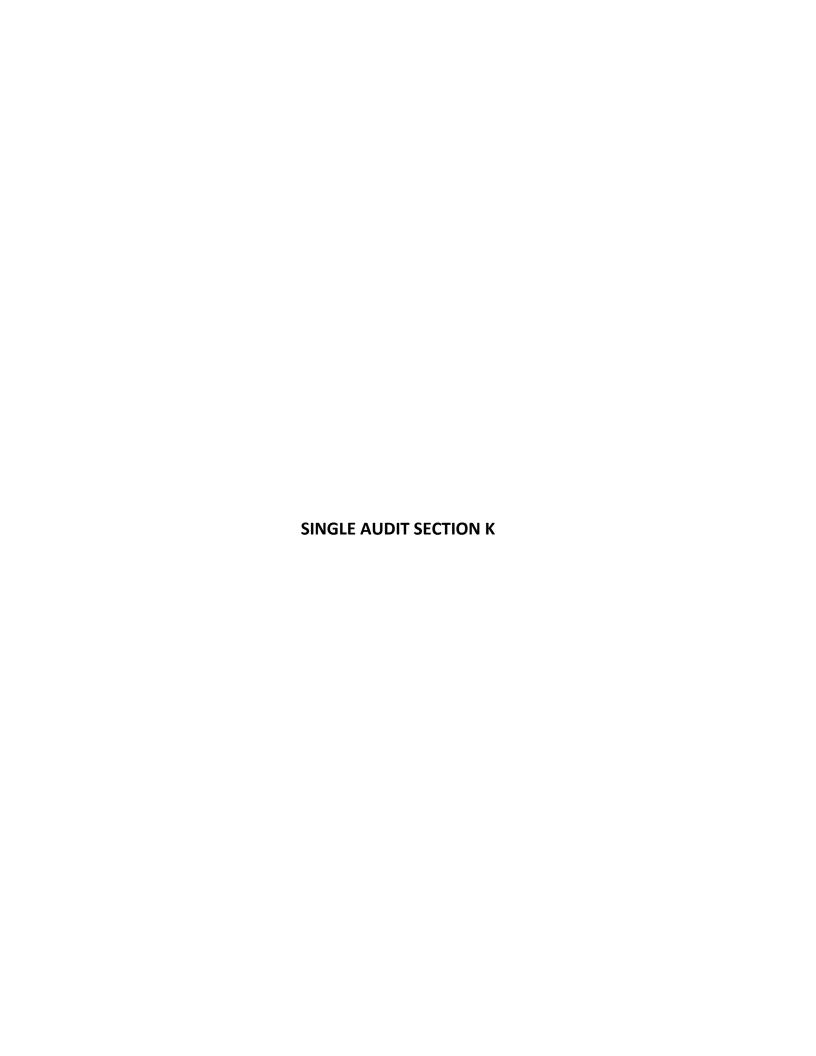
	 Coverage
School Package Policy	
Commercial General Liability	
Each Occurrence	\$ 1,000,000
Damages/Rented Premises	100,000
Medical	5,000
Personal & Adv Injury	1,000,000
General Aggregate	3,000,000
Products -Comp/OP/AGG	3,000,000
Automobile	
Umbrella	
Each Occurance	5,000,000
Aggregate	5,000,000
Workers' Compensation	
Each Accident	500,000
Disease - Each Employee	500,000
Disease - Policy Limiy	500,000
Director's and Officer's	1,000,000

CHARTER SCHOOL PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK FINANCIAL INDICATORS

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE - FINANCIAL RATIOS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 (UNAUDITED)

Charter School Performance Framework Financial Indicators Near Term Indicators

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Cash and Cash Equivalents	7,009,394	2,916,149	3,345,283	2,741,996	667,587	23,430
Current Assets	8,085,036	7,003,285	3,948,786	3,006,000	930,560	289,151
Capital Assets-Net	1,314,775	377,782	134,860	93,306	114,038	134,770
Total Assets	9,399,811	7,381,067	4,083,646	3,099,306	1,044,598	423,921
Current Liabilities	607,136	627,660	142,570	923,031	37,216	275,979
Long Term Liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Liabilities	607,136	627,660	142,570	923,031	37,216	275,979
Net Position	8,792,675	6,753,407	3,941,076	2,176,275	1,007,382	147,942
Total Revenue	31,375,257	25,736,494	16,652,707	11,755,351	7,576,660	3,641,743
Total Expenses	30,272,982	23,167,085	14,929,782	10,565,406	6,696,488	3,628,571
Change in Net Position	1,102,275	2,569,409	1,722,925	1,189,945	880,172	13,172
Depreciation	52,342	41,328	25,523	20,732	20,732	10,366
Principal Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interest payments	0	0	0	0	0	0
Final average daily enrollment	1,276	1,167	961	712	212	75
March 30th budgeted Enrollment	1,276	1,167	961	712	212	75
Near term indicators	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
CURRENT RATIO						
Unrestricted days cash	83	46	52	98	36	2.35
Enrollment variance	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Default	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Margin	4	10	10.3	10.1	11.6	.3
Debt to Asset	N//A	N//A	N//A	N//A	N//A	N//A
Cash Flow	4,093,245	(429,134)	603,287	2,074,409	643,857	23,430
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A



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EXHIBIT K-1

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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 Chairman and Members of the Board of Trustees College Achieve Paterson Charter School County of Passaic Paterson, New Jersey

I 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, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School ("the Charter School"), in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Charter School's basic financial statements, and have issued my report thereon, dated February 15, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements, I 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 my 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, I 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.

My 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 my audit I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Charter School's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I 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 my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my 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 my 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.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL AND STATE PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND NJ OMB 15-08

The Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board of Trustees College Achieve Paterson Charter School County of Passaic Paterson, New Jersey

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

I have audited College Achieve Paterson Charter School's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB Compliance Supplement and the New Jersey State Aid/Grant Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of College Achieve Paterson Charter School's major Federal and State programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. College Achieve Paterson 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 my opinion, College Achieve Paterson Charter School complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major Federal and State programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

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

I am required to be independent of College Achieve Paterson Charter School and to meet my other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to my audit. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion on compliance for each major Federal and State programs. My audit does not provide a legal determination

of College Achieve Paterson Charter School's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

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

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

My 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 my audit I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that I 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.

My 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 my testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and NJOMB circular 15-08. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Federal Grant/Pass-Through Grantor <u>Program Title</u>	Federal Assistance Listing <u>Number</u>	Federal Award Identification <u>Number</u>	Grant <u>Period</u>	Award <u>Amount</u>	Accounts Receivable at July 1, 2022	Prior <u>Carry-over</u>	Cash <u>Received</u>	Budgetary <u>Expenditures</u>	Refund of Prior Years' <u>Balances</u>	<u>Adjust</u>	Deferred Revenue/ (Accounts Receivable) June 30, 2023	Due to Grantor June 30, 2023
Enterprise Fund:												
U.S. Department of Agriculture												
Passed-Through NJ State Department of	Agriculture											
Child Nutrition Cluster	•											
National School Breakfast	10.553	221NJ304N1099	07/01/21-06/30/22	\$ -	\$ (12,095)	Ś -	\$ 12,095	Ś -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
National School Lunch	10.555	221NJ304N1099	07/01/21-06/30/22		(50,421)		50,421				· -	
National School Breakfast	10.553	231NJ304N1199	07/01/22-06/30/23	134,965	(,,	_	126,419	134,965	_	_	(8,546)	_
National School Lunch	10.555	231NJ304N1199	07/01/22-06/30/23	499,371	_	_	467,093	499,371	_	_	(32,278)	_
National School Snack	10.555	231NJ304N1199	07/01/22-06/30/23	27,745	_	_	27,143	27,745	_	_	(602)	_
			,,,,	,			,	,-			(552)	
Total Enterprise Fund/Total US Dept	. of Agriculture	Pass Through Prog	rams		(62,516)	-	683,171	662,081	-	-	(41,426)	-
Special Revenue Fund:												
U.S. Department of Education												
Passed-Through NJ State Department	of Education											
Title 1 Part A	84.010	S010A200030	07/01/20-09/30/21	-	(244,780)	-	-	-	-	-	(244,780)	-
Title 1 Part A	84.010	S010A210030	07/01/21-09/30/22	-	(1,460,533)	-	1,460,533		-	-	-	-
Title 1 Part A	84.010	S010A220030	07/01/22-09/30/23	1,656,042	-	_	1,561,371	1,656,042	-	-	(94,671)	_
Title III	84.365	S365A190030	07/01/19-09/30/20	-	29,260	_	-	-	-	29,260	-	_
Title III	84.365	S365A220030	07/01/22-09/30/23	38,930	-	_	9,670	38,930	-	(29,260)	-	_
Title III Immigrant	84.365	S365A210030	07/01/21-09/30/22	-	(3,756)	-	3,756	-	-	-	-	-
Total ESEA					(1,679,809)	-	3,035,330	1,694,972	-	-	(339,451)	-
Special Education Cluster												
IDEA Part B	84.027A	H027A210100	07/01/21-09/30/22	_	(278,518)	_	278,518	_	_	_	_	_
IDEA Part B	84.027A	H027A220100	07/01/22-09/30/23	289,794	(=: =,===,	_	289,794	289,794	_	_	_	_
IDEA Pre-School	84.173A	H173A210114	07/01/21-09/30/22		(3,734)	_	3,734		_	_	_	_
IDEA Pre-School	84.173A	H173A220114	07/01/22-09/30/23	6,218	(-),	_	6,218	6,218	_	_	_	_
ARP IDEA Part B	84.027X	H027X210100	07/01/21-09/30/22	-	(19,535)	-	19,535	-	-	-	-	-
Total Special Education Cluster					(301,787)		597,799	296,012				
•	84.282A	S282A200020	04/01/21-09/30/23	1,500,000			527,744	387,445			(05.375)	
Charter School Program Grant	04.202A	3282A200020	04/01/21-05/30/23	1,300,000	(235,674)	-	327,744	367,443	-	-	(95,375)	-
Education Stabilization Fund	04.4350	C42ED240027	02/42/20 00/20/22	4 007 433	(4 444 444)		4 007 422	F4F 700				
CRRSA ESSER 11	84.425D	S425D210027	03/13/20-09/30/23	1,987,123	(1,441,414)	-	1,987,123	545,709	-	-	-	-
CRRSA Learning Acceleration	84.425D	S425D210027	03/13/20-09/30/23	127,524	-	-	127,524	127,524	-	-	-	-
CRRSA Mental Health	84.425D	S425D210027	03/13/20-09/30/23	45,000	-	-	45,000	45,000	-	-	(227.704)	-
ARP ESSER	84.425U	S425U210027	03/13/20-09/30/24	4,465,931	-	-	2,562,804	2,890,598	-	-	(327,794)	-
ARP Accelerated Learning	84.425U	S425U210027	03/13/20-09/30/24	145,359	-	-	-	19,741	-	-	(19,741)	-
ARP Summer Learning and Enrichment	84.425U	S425U210027	03/13/20-09/30/24	40,000	-	-	-	40.000	-	-	(40.000)	-
ARP Beyond the School Day	84.425U	S425U210027	03/13/20-09/30/24	40,000	-	-	-	40,000	-	-	(40,000)	-
ARP Mental Health	84.425U	S425U210027	03/13/20-09/30/24	45,000	- 44 444 6111	-	4 700 47:	14,518			(14,518)	
Total Education Stabilization Fund					(1,441,414)		4,722,451	3,683,090		-	(402,053)	
Total Special Revenue/NJ Dept. of Educ	ation, Pass Thr	ough Programs			(3,658,684)	-	8,883,324	6,061,519	-		(836,879)	-
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards					\$ (3,721,200)	\$ -	\$ 9,566,495	\$ 6,723,600	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (878,305)	\$ -

See accompanying notes to schedules of expenditures of Federal and State award programs.

Exhibit K-4 Schedule B

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Tot the Fiscal Flad strate 50, 2025								
State Grantor/Program Title	Grant or State Project Number	Grant <u>Period</u>	Award <u>Amount</u>	Balance June 30, 2022	Cash <u>Received</u>	Budgetary Expenditures	Adjustments	Repayment of Prior Years' Balances	Due to Grantor (Accts Rec) June 30, 2023
NJ DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION									
GENERAL FUND									
Equalization Aid	23-495-034-5120-078	7/1/22-06/30/23	\$ 21,237,115	\$ -	\$ 21,237,115		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Special Education Categorical Aid	23-495-034-5120-089	7/1/22-06/30/23	367,978	-	307,370	367,978	-	-	-
Security Aid	23-495-034-5120-084	7/1/22-06/30/23	720,617	-	720,617	720,617	-	-	-
Reimbursed Social Security Tax	23-495-034-5094-003	7/1/22-06/30/23	382,017	-	382,017	382,017	-	-	-
On-Behalf-Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund LT Disability	23-495-034-5094-004	7/1/22-06/30/23	1,159	-	1,133	1,159	-	-	-
On-Behalf-Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund	23-495-034-5094-002	7/1/22-06/30/23	1,339,769	-	1,339,769	1,339,769	-	-	-
On-Behalf-Teachers' Pension Post Retirement Medical	23-495-034-5094-001	7/1/22-06/30/23	351,954		351,954	351,954	-	-	
Total General Fund					24,400,609	24,400,609	-	-	
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND									
School Development Authority - Emergent Needs and Capital Maintenance	23-495-034-5120-139	7/1/22-06/30/23	185,893	-	185,893	185,893	-	-	-
Total Special Revenue Fund				-	185,893	185,893	-	-	<u> </u>
NJ DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ENTERPRISE FUND									
National School Lunch Program (State Share)	22-100-010-3350-023	7/1/21-06/30/22	-	(1,135) 1,135	-	-	-	-
National School Lunch Program (State Share)	23-100-010-3350-023	7/1/22-06/30/23	8,175	-	7,647	8,175	-	-	(528)
National School Breakfast After the Bell Program (State Share)	23-100-010-3350-023	7/1/22-06/30/23	5,279	-	4,945	5,279	-	-	(334)
Total Enterprise Fund				(1,135) 13,727	13,454	-	-	(862)
Total State Financial Assistance				\$ (1,135) \$ 24,600,229	\$ 24,599,956	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (862)
On-Behalf-Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund LT Disability	23-495-034-5094-004	7/1/22-06/30/23			(1,159)	(1,159)			
On-Behalf-Teachers' Pension and Annuity Pension	23-495-034-5094-002	7/1/22-06/30/23			(1,339,769)	(1,339,769)			
On-Behalf-Teachers' Pension Post Retirement Medical	23-495-034-5094-001	7/1/22-06/30/23			(351,954)	(351,954)			
Less Amounts Not Subject to Single Audit On Behalf payments		,			(1,692,882)	(1,692,882)	-		
Total State Financial Assistance Subject to State Single Audit Major Progr	am Determination			\$ (1,135) \$ 22,907,347	\$ 22,907,074	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (862)

See accompanying notes to schedule of expenditures of Federal and State award programs.

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE ASSISTANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1. GENERAL

The accompanying schedules present the activity of all federal and state assistance programs of the College Achieve Paterson Charter School. The Board of Trustees is defined in the Notes to the school's basic financial statements. All federal and state awards received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as federal assistance and state financial assistance passed through other government agencies is included on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance.

NOTE 2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying schedules 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 basis 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 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.

NOTE 3. RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The basic financial statements present the general fund and special revenue fund on a GAAP basis. Budgetary comparison statements or schedules (RSI) are presented for the general fund and special revenue fund to demonstrate finance-related legal compliance in which certain revenue is permitted by law or grant agreement to be recognized in the audit year, whereas for GAAP reporting revenue is not recognized until the subsequent year or 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 account 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-. See Note 1 for a reconciliation of the budgetary basis to the GAAP basis of accounting for the special revenue fund. Awards and financial assistance revenues are reported in the school's basic financial statements on a GAAP basis as follows:

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE ASSISTANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Federal	State	Total
General Fund	\$ -()- \$24,400,609	\$24,400,609
Special Revenue Fund	6,061,51	9 185,893	6,247,412
Enterprise Fund	662,08	1 13,454	675,535
Total Awards and Financial Assistance	\$6,723,60	0 \$24,599,956	\$31,323,556

NOTE 4. RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

NOTE 5. OTHER INFORMATION

The TPAF Social Security Contributions of \$382,017 represents the amount reimbursed by the state for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members for the year ended June 30. 2023.

The amount reported as TPAF Pension contributions of \$1,339,769, Post Retirement Medical Contributions of \$351,954 and \$1,159 LTD represents the amount paid by the state on behalf of the Charter School for the year ended June 30, 2023.

NOTE 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 State Financial Assistance provides a reconciliation of State financial assistance reported in the schools basic financial statements and the amount subject to State single audit and major program determination.

NOTE 7. DE MINIMIS INDIRECT COST RATE

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

PART 1 – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statement Section

Type of auditor's report issued:		Unmodified	
	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	
Internal control over financial reporting:			
Material weakness(es) identified:		X	
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weakness(es)?		X	None Reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?		X	
Federal Awards			
Internal control over compliance:			
Material weakness(es) identified?		X	None Reported
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weakness(es)?		X	
Type of auditor's report on compliance for major programs:	Unmo	dified	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be Reported in accordance with 2CFR 200.156(A) of uniform guidance		X	
Identification of major programs:			

		Name of Federal Program or
Federal AL Number	FAIN Number	<u>Cluster</u>
84.425D	S425D210027	CRRSA – ESSER II
84.425D	S425D210027	CRRSA – Learning Acceleration
84.425D	S425D210027	CRRSA – Mental Health
84.425U	S425U210027	ARP – ESSER III
84.425U	S425U210027	ARP – Accelerated Learning &
		Coaching
84.425U	S425U210027	ARP – Beyond the School Day

84.425U S425U210027 ARP – Mental Health

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

Auditee qualified as low risk auditee: X

PART 1 - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS (continued)

State Awards	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>		
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs (.520)		.000		
Auditee qualified as low risk auditee:				
Type of auditor's report issued:		dified		
Internal control over major programs:				
Material weakness(es) identified:		X		
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weakness(es)?		X	None Reported	
Type of auditor's report on compliance for major programs:	Unmo	dified		
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be Reported in accordance with NJOMB Circular Letter 15-08? Identification of major programs:				
State Grant Number(s) Name of State Program				

State Grant Number(s)	Name of State Program
23-495-034-5120-078	Equalization Aid
23-495-034-5120-089	Special Education Aid
23-495-034-5120-084	Security Aid

PART II – SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, fraud, illegal acts, violations of provisions of contracts and grant agreements and abuse related to the financial statements in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and with audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Administration and Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey.

No financial statement findings noted that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

PART III – SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance including questioned costs, related to the audit of major federal and state programs, as required by The Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB's Circular 15-08.

No federal and state award findings and questioned costs noted that are required to be reported in accordance of The Uniform Guidance or with NJOMB Circular 15-08.

COLLEGE ACHIEVE PATERSON CHARTER SCHOOL SUMMARY OF SCHEDULE OF PRIOR-YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Status of Prior Year Findings

This section identifies the status of prior-year findings related to the basic financial statements and federal and state awards that are required to be reported in accordance with Chapter 6.12 of *Government Auditing Standards*, U.S. Uniform Guidance (section .315(a)(b)) and New Jersey OMB's Circular 15-08.

In accordance with government auditing standards, my procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations. There were no prior year findings.