

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY (A Component Unit of the State of Delaware) NEWARK, DELAWARE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

September 26, 2023

Board of Directors Las Américas ASPIRA Academy Newark, Delaware

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Las Américas ASPIRA Academy ("the School"), Newark, Delaware, a component unit of the State of Delaware, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Las Américas ASPIRA Academy, Newark, Delaware, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS") and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the School and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The School's 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 School's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

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

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

Emphasis of a Matter

As discussed in Notes 1 and 15 to the financial statements, Las Américas ASPIRA Academy has adopted the requirements of GASB Statement No. 96, "Subscription-Based Technology Information Arrangements." The purpose of this statement is to increase the usefulness of governmental financial statements by requiring recognition of certain subscription assets and subscription liabilities for certain information technology arrangements. As a result, the School has restated its governmental activities net position as of July 1, 2021. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited the School's 2022 financial statements, and we expressed unmodified opinions on the respective financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund in our report dated October 20, 2022. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022 is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 through 13, and the budgetary comparison schedule - general fund, schedule of the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability, schedule of School pension contributions, schedule of the School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, and schedule of School OPEB contributions on pages 43 through 47 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements. The combining balance sheet - general fund, combining statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - general fund, schedule of expenditures by natural classification - governmental funds, and schedule of expenditures of federal

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awards, as required by the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance"), are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining balance sheet - general fund, combining statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - general fund, schedule of expenditures by natural classification - governmental funds, and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining balance sheet - general fund, combining statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - general fund, schedule of expenditures by natural classification - governmental funds, and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated September 26, 2023, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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This discussion and analysis of the financial performance of Las Américas ASPIRA Academy ("the School") provides an overview of the School's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2023, which was the School's twelfth year of operations. The lower school is located at 326 Ruthar Drive, Newark, DE 19711, and the high school is located at 750 Otts Chapel Road, Newark, DE 19713. Please read this analysis in conjunction with the independent auditor's report and School's financial statements.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

General revenues increased by 17.3%, from \$18,483,549 to \$21,682,153, primarily due to an increase in state and local school district funding, both a direct result of the School's growing enrollment which went from 1,060 to 1,178 students. The School's total liabilities increased by 6.3%, from \$78,102,785 to \$83,041,791.

USING THIS ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

This annual financial report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. The statements are organized so that the reader can understand the School as a whole and then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

REPORTING THE SCHOOL AS A WHOLE

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities

One of the most important questions asked about school finances is, "Is the School better or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The statement of net position and the statement of activities report information about the School as a whole and about its activities in a manner that helps to answer this question. These statements include all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by private sector corporations. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into consideration regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the School's net position and the changes in net position. The change in net position provides the reader with a tool to assist in determining whether the School's financial health is improving or deteriorating. The reader will need to consider other nonfinancial factors such as student enrollment stability and facility conditions in arriving at a conclusion regarding the overall health of the School.

REPORTING THE SCHOOL'S MOST SIGNIFICANT FUNDS

Fund Financial Statements

This analysis of the School's major funds and fund financial statements provides detailed information about the most significant funds - not the School as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State statute, while many other funds are established by the School to help manage money for particular purposes and compliance with various grant provisions.

Governmental Funds

The School's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using the modified accrual accounting method, which measures cash and other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the School's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps one determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources available to spend in the near future to finance the School's programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the statement of net position and the statement of activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the basic financial statements. Activities related to capital assets, long-term debt, and compensated absences are the primary reconciling items.

ENTITY-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the School, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources exceeded assets and deferred outflows of resources by \$25,408,132 at the close of the fiscal year. Note the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt and net of accumulated depreciation and amortization. The School uses capital assets to provide services; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.

A comparative analysis of net position and changes in net position follows:

Table 1 NET POSITION June 30, 2023 and 2022

	Governmental Activities		
	2023	2022	
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Current assets:			
Cash and pooled cash	\$ 6,248,084	\$ 5,251,433	
Investments	4,756,866	11,815,513	
Receivables	2,405	82,219	
Prepaid expenses	25,685	140,337	
Total Current Assets	11,033,040	17,289,502	
Noncurrent assets:			
Due from State	483,158	389,328	
Net pension asset	-	3,863,696	
Capital assets, net of depreciation/amortization	36,651,797	31,321,114	
Total Noncurrent Assets	37,134,955	35,574,138	
Total Assets	48,167,995	52,863,640	

Table 1 NET POSITION June 30, 2023 and 2022

	Governmental Activities				
(cont'd)	2023	2022			
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:					
Deferred outflows of resources - pension	4,204,320	3,150,522			
Deferred outflows of resources - OPEB	16,229,408	13,015,453			
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	20,433,728	16,165,975			
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS					
OF RESOURCES	\$ 68,601,723	\$ 69,029,615			
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LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES,					
AND NET DEFICIT					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 600,341	\$ 859,598			
Accrued salaries and related costs	2,075,030	1,834,449			
Accrued interest payable	150,498	151,419			
Bonds payable, net	427,892	417,892			
Lease payable	117,094	257,525			
Subscription liability	8,089	7,762			
Total Current Liabilities	3,378,944	3,528,645			
Noncurrent liabilities:	005.004	0.40.000			
Compensated absences	805,264	648,880			
Bonds payable, net	42,481,772	42,954,793			
Lease payable	53,366	63,620			
Subscription liability	11,993	20,082			
Net pension liability	5,183,937	-			
Net OPEB liability	31,126,515	30,886,765			
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	79,662,847	74,574,140			
Total Liabilities	83,041,791	78,102,785			
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:					
Deferred inflows of resources - pension	_	7,761,082			
Deferred inflows of resources - OPEB	10,968,064	5,619,483			
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	10,968,064	13,380,565			
NET POSITION (DEFICIT):					
Net investment in capital assets	(2,235,654)	(1,388,415)			
Restricted for net pension asset	-	3,863,696			
Unrestricted (deficit)	(23,172,478)	(24,929,016)			
Total Net Deficit	(25,408,132)	(22,453,735)			
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF					
RESOURCES, AND NET DEFICIT	\$ 68,601,723	\$ 68,029,615			
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Table 2
CHANGES IN NET POSITION
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

	Governmental Activities		
	2023	2022	
REVENUES	 -		
General revenues:			
Charges to school districts	\$ 6,925,438	\$ 5,745,221	
Payments from primary government	14,120,490	11,782,944	
Other local revenue	149,369	866,943	
Interest income	486,856	88,441	
Total General Revenues	21,682,153	18,483,549	
Program revenues:	<u> </u>		
Charges for services	523,378	323,455	
Operation grants and contributions	3,049,066	4,531,464	
Total Program Revenues	3,572,444	4,854,919	
TOTAL REVENUES	25,254,597	23,338,468	
EXPENSES			
Instructional services	20,007,659	15,306,172	
Support services:	, ,	, ,	
Operation and maintenance of facilities	4,169,422	4,186,008	
Transportation	1,325,508	1,324,177	
Food service	862,681	1,150,487	
Interest on long-term debt and issuance costs	1,843,724	2,251,140	
TOTAL EXPENSES	28,208,994	24,218,524	
Change in Net Deficit	\$ (2,954,397)	\$ (880,056)	

Governmental Activities

Net position of the School's governmental activities decreased by \$2,954,397, and unrestricted net position reflects a negative balance of \$23,172,478.

The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. The next table reflects the cost of program services and the net cost of those services after taking into account the program revenues for governmental activities. General revenues

that include charges to school districts, investment earnings, and state entitlements must support the net cost of the School's programs.

	20	23	2022		
	Total Cost	Net Cost	Total Cost	Net Cost	
Governmental Activities:					
Instructional services	\$ 20,007,659	\$ 17,580,405	\$ 15,306,712	\$ 11,438,718	
Support services:					
Operation and maintenance					
of facilities	4,169,422	4,169,422	4,186,008	4,186,008	
Transportation	1,325,508	1,325,508	1,324,177	1,324,177	
Food service	862,681	(282,509)	1,150,487	163,562	
Interest on long-term debt and					
issuance costs	1,843,724	1,843,724	2,251,140	2,251,140	
Total Expenses	\$ 28,208,994	\$ 24,636,550	\$ 24,218,524	\$ 19,363,605	

The reliance on general revenues to support governmental activities is indicated by the net services column reflecting the need for \$24,636,550 of support.

THE SCHOOL'S FUNDS

The School's governmental funds (as presented on the balance sheet) reported a combined fund balance of \$8,357,669 compared to last year's total of \$14,595,455. The schedule below indicates the fund balance as of June 30, 2023 and 2022 and the change in fund balance for the year ended June 30, 2023.

	Governmental Funds						
	2023	2023 2022					
FUND BALANCES							
Nonspendable	\$ 25,685	\$ 140,337	\$ (114,652)				
Restricted	4,212,755	11,012,145	(6,799,390)				
Unassigned	4,119,229	3,442,973	676,256				
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	\$ 8,357,669	\$ 14,595,455	\$ (6,237,786)				

Governmental Funds

The School's fund balances decrease is due to a variety of factors. The table that follows assists in illustrating the financial activities and balance of governmental funds.

REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

	2023	2022
REVENUES		
Charges to school districts	\$ 6,925,438	\$ 5,745,221
State aid	14,026,660	11,708,761
Federal aid	2,116,393	2,732,866
Interest income	363,835	10,549
Food service revenue	218,150	59,885
Other local revenues	149,369	866,943
After care	187,476	169,005
Donations	932,673	1,798,598
Summer camp	117,752	94,565
TOTAL REVENUES	25,037,746	23,186,393
EXPENDITURES		
Current:		
Instruction	16,936,697	13,888,771
Operation and maintenance of facilities	1,736,384	2,380,227
Transportation	1,325,508	1,324,177
Food service	862,681	1,150,487
Capital outlays:		
Property	7,765,011	10,531,712
Equipment	643,415	389,267
Debt service:		
Principal	340,000	1,825,000
Interest	1,826,200	1,287,300
Bond issuance costs	<u> </u>	795,509
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	31,435,896	33,572,450
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		
Bond proceeds	-	20,995,000
Bond premium	-	1,146,709
Lease proceeds	160,364	74,460
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	160,364	22,216,169
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(6,237,786)	11,830,112
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR	14,595,455	2,765,343
FUND BALANCES, END OF YEAR	\$ 8,357,669	\$ 14,595,455

The largest revenue reported by the School for the year was for aid received from the State of Delaware, accounting for 56.0% of total revenues. Charges to local school districts for students attending the School was also significant, accounting for 27.7%.

The largest portion of general fund expenditures is for personnel costs, which include salaries and related employment costs. The School is a service-oriented organization, and as such, is very labor intensive.

GENERAL FUND BUDGET INFORMATION

The School's budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The most significant budgeted fund is the general fund. The School may amend its revenue and expenditure estimates periodically due to changing conditions. The School operates on a preliminary operating budget for the first half of the year and a final operating budget the second half of the year once the September 30th Unit Count is verified by the authorizer.

The following are explanations for the more significant variances between budget versus actual revenues and expenditures as projected on the fiscal year 2023 final operating budget.

Revenues

Charges to School Districts

A favorable variance of \$212,492 is attributable to increased enrollment.

State Revenue

A favorable variance of \$368,830 is attributable primarily to adjustments to final state funding.

Federal Revenue

A favorable variance of \$691,653 is attributable primarily to receiving more funding because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Food Service Revenue

An unfavorable variance of \$14,350 is due to over projecting revenue. Since the previous two years, 100% of our students qualified for free meals as a result of the pandemic. About 60%-65% of our students qualify for free or reduced meals.

Other Local Revenue

An unfavorable variance of \$630,462 is due to the School budgeting local grants that were not obtained in other local revenue.

Donations

A favorable variance of \$487,673 is the result of additional donations received for use as part of the high school renovations.

Expenditures

Salaries

An unfavorable variance of \$449,770 is a result of additional staffing related to the increase in students attending the School.

Contracted Services

Contractual services finished with a favorable variance of \$1,321,477. This variance is due to over projecting costs, knowing that the School would operate at full capacity compared to the previous two years while operating at less than capacity during the pandemic.

Supplies and Materials

Supplies and materials finished with a favorable variance of \$733,668. This variance is due to over projecting costs, knowing that the School would operate at full capacity compared to the previous two years while operating at less than capacity during the pandemic.

Capital Outlay

The combined favorable variance for capital outlay for equipment and property of \$1,325,962 is a result of over projecting property and equipment costs for the newly renovated high school.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

General Fund

As of June 30, 2023, the School had a general fund balance of \$4,144,914. This was an increase of \$561,604 from the prior year. The biggest contributors to the increase in fund balance are the increase in charges to school districts, state aid, interest income, and food service revenue.

Capital Projects Fund

As of June 30, 2023, the School had a capital projects fund balance of \$4,212,755. This was a decrease of \$6,799,390 from the prior year. The School pays for its revenue bonds and capital outlays out of this fund. The School reported expenditures of \$9,947,728 in 2022 - 2023. These expenditures were related to the school renovation project and debt service payments.

CAPITAL ASSETS

The School has \$36,651,797 in net capital assets which include right-to-use assets and subscription assets. Acquisitions for governmental activities totaled \$7,556,456, and depreciation/amortization

was \$2,225,773. Detailed information regarding capital asset activity is included in Note 4 to the financial statements.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

As of June 30, 2023, the School had total outstanding debt of \$43,100,206 in the form of revenue bonds leases payable and a subscription liability issued for the purpose of building improvements and equipment leases.

Other obligations include accrued vacation pay, sick leave for School employees, and the net OPEB liability. More detailed information about long-term liabilities is included in Note 5 to the financial statements.

FACTORS EXPECTED TO HAVE AN EFFECT ON FUTURE OPERATIONS

Fiscal year 2023 was the twelfth year of operation as a Delaware Public Charter School. Our East Campus is the original K-8 school, and our West Campus, the high school, which just completed its third year with grades 9-11, will graduate our first 12th grade class in FY 2024. The School's enrollment is now at 1,341 with a planned enrollment of 1,547 K-12 students by fiscal year 2025. In fiscal year 2023, we completed a major fit out of the high school building that includes a new gymnasium, kitchen, cafeteria, fitness center, and an art room. We will continue to seek outside revenue streams to support our capital expansion, as we are now focusing efforts on completing our athletic fields. Additionally, larger enrollment will result in an increase in state and local district revenues, as well as an increase in operating expenses at both school campuses.

The financial model the School has developed is based on the funding formula currently in effect under the Delaware Charter School Law. If the funding formula for charter schools changes, adjustments to the underlying assumptions of the model will be made.

CONTACTING THE SCHOOL'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our fellow citizens, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the School's finances and to show the School's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, please contact the School's Chief Operating Officer at (302) 292-1463, Ext. 203.



LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2023 AND 2022

	2023	2022
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
CURRENT ASSETS:	* 0.040.004	Φ 5.054.400
Cash and pooled cash	\$ 6,248,084	\$ 5,251,433
Investments Accounts receivable	4,756,866 2,405	11,815,513 82,219
Prepaid expenses	25,685	140,337
Total Current Assets	11,033,040	17,289,502
NONCURRENT ASSETS:	11,000,040	17,200,002
Due from State	483,158	389,328
Net pension asset	-	3,863,696
Land	1,502,686	1,502,686
Construction-in-progress	11,013,501	4,182,115
Depreciable capital assets, net	23,916,741	25,238,411
Right-to-use assets, net	192,019	363,892
Subscription asset, net	26,850	34,010
Total Noncurrent Assets	37,134,955	35,574,138
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred pension	4,204,320	3,150,522
Deferred OPEB	16,229,408	13,015,453
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	20,433,728	16,165,975
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 68,601,723	\$ 69,029,615
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES,		
AND NET DEFICIT		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 600,341	\$ 859,598
Accrued salaries and related costs	2,075,030	1,834,449
Accrued interest payable	150,498	151,419
Bonds payable, net	427,892	417,892
Lease payable	117,094	257,525
Subscription liability	8,089	7,762
Total Current Liabilities	3,378,944	3,528,645
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES:	205 204	040.000
Compensated absences	805,264	648,880
Bonds payable, net	42,481,772	42,954,793 63,620
Lease payable Subscription liability	53,366 11,993	20,082
Net pension liability	5,183,937	20,002
Net OPEB liability	31,126,515	30,886,765
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	79,662,847	74,574,140
TOTAL LIABILITIES	83,041,791	78,102,785
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred pension	_	7,761,082
Deferred OPEB	10,968,064	5,619,483
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	10,968,064	13,380,565
NET DEFICIT		
Net investment in capital assets	(2,235,654)	(1,388,415)
Restricted for net pension asset	(_,	3,863,696
Unrestricted (deficit)	(23,172,478)	(24,929,016)
TOTAL NET DEFICIT	(25,408,132)	(22,453,735)
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES,		
AND NET DEFICIT	\$ 68,601,723	\$ 69,029,615

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

(With Summarized Comparative Data for the Year Ended June 30, 2022)

		Program Revenues			Net (Expense)	Revenue and		
	Operating Capital		pital	Changes in	Net Deficit			
		Cha	arges for	Grants and	Gran	ts and	Tot	als
	Expenses	S	ervices	Contributions	Contri	butions	2023	2022
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES								
Instructional services:	\$(20,007,659)	\$	305,228	\$ 2,122,026	\$	-	\$(17,580,405)	\$(11,438,718)
Operation and maintenance of facilities	(4,169,422)		-	-		-	(4,169,422)	(4,186,008)
Transportation	(1,325,508)		-	-		-	(1,325,508)	(1,324,177)
Food service	(862,681)		218,150	927,040		-	282,509	(163,562)
Interest on long-term debt and issuance costs	(1,843,724)						(1,843,724)	(2,251,140)
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$(28,208,994)	\$	523,378	\$ 3,049,066	\$	<u>-</u>	(24,636,550)	(19,363,605)
		GEN	ERAL REVE	ENUES				
		Char	ges to scho	ol districts			6,925,438	5,745,221
		State	aid not res	tricted to specific pu	ırposes		14,120,490	11,782,944
		Othe	r local rever	nues	-		149,369	866,943
		Inter	est income				486,856	88,441
		TOT	AL GENERA	AL REVENUES			21,682,153	18,483,549
		СНА	NGE IN NE	Γ DEFICIT			(2,954,397)	(880,056)
		NET	DEFICIT, B	EGINNING OF YEA	AR (REST	ATED)	(22,453,735)	(21,573,679)
		NET	DEFICIT, E	ND OF YEAR			\$(25,408,132)	\$(22,453,735)

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2023

(With Summarized Comparative Data for June 30, 2022)

	General Capital		Capital Total Government Fur			Funds		
		Fund	Pr	ojects Fund		2023		2022
ASSETS: Cash and pooled cash	\$	6,248,084	\$		\$	6,248,084	\$	5,251,433
Investments	Ψ	0,240,004	Ψ	4,756,866	Ψ	4,756,866	Ψ	11,815,513
Accounts receivable		2,405		-,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		2,405		82,219
Prepaid expenditures		25,685				25,685		140,337
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	6,276,174	\$	4,756,866	\$	11,033,040	\$	17,289,502
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES LIABILITIES:								
Accounts payable	\$	56,230	\$	544,111	\$	600,341	\$	859,598
Accrued salaries and related costs	•	2,075,030	•	-	·	2,075,030	•	1,834,449
TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,131,260		544,111		2,675,371		2,694,047
FUND BALANCES:								
Nonspendable		25,685		_		25,685		140,337
Restricted		-		4,212,755		4,212,755		11,012,145
Unassigned		4,119,229		-		4,119,229		3,442,973
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		4,144,914		4,212,755		8,357,669		14,595,455
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	6,276,174	\$	4,756,866	\$	11,033,040	\$	17,289,502

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY RECONCILIATION OF BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2023

TOTAL FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

\$ 8,357,669

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in the governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. Capital assets net of accumulated depreciation/amortization as detailed in the footnotes are included in the statement of net position.

36,651,797

Long-term assets applicable to governmental activities are not due and receivable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as fund assets.

Due from State of Delaware

483,158

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Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. Those liabilities consist of:

Compensated absences	\$ (805,264)	
Accrued interest payable	(150,498)	
Bonds payable in future years, net	(42,909,664)	
Lease payable	(170,460)	
Subscription liability	(20,082)	
Net pension liability	(5,183,937)	
Net OPEB liability	(31,126,515)	(80,366,42

Deferred inflows of resources and deferred outflows of resources related to the School's net pension liability are based on the differences between actuarially determined actual and expected investment returns, changes in the actuarially determined proportion of the School's amount of the total pension liability, changes in assumptions, differences in actual and expected experience, and pension contributions made after the measurement date of the net pension liability. These amounts will be amortized over the estimated remaining average service life of the employees.

Deferred outflows - pension

4,204,320

Deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to the School's net OPEB liability are based on the differences between actuarially determined actual and expected investment returns, changes in the actuarially determined proportion of the School's amount of returns, changes in the actuarially determined proportion of the School's amount of the total OPEB liability, changes in assumptions, differences in actual and expected experience, and OPEB contributions made after the measurement date of the net OPEB liability. These amounts will be amortized over the estimated remaining average service life of the employees.

 Deferred outflows - OPEB
 16,229,408

 Deferred inflows - OPEB
 (10,968,064)
 5,261,344

TOTAL NET DEFICIT - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$(25,408,132)

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

(With Summarized Comparative Data for the Year Ended June 30, 2022)

	General	Capital	Total Governr	nental Funds
	Fund	Projects Fund	2023	2022
REVENUES		•		A = 7 .5 . 00.4
Charges to school districts State aid	\$ 6,925,438 14,026,660	\$ -	\$ 6,925,438 14,026,660	\$ 5,745,221 11,708,761
Federal aid	2,116,393	-	2,116,393	2,732,866
Interest income	72,089	291,746	363,835	10,549
Food service revenue	218,150	231,740	218,150	59,885
Other local revenues	149,369	-	149,369	866,943
After care	187,476	-	187,476	169,005
Donations	932,673	=	932,673	1,798,598
Summer camp	117,752	<u></u> _	117,752	94,565
TOTAL REVENUES	24,746,000	291,746	25,037,746	23,186,393
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Instruction	16,936,697	-	16,936,697	13,888,771
Operation and maintenance of facilities	1,736,384	-	1,736,384	2,380,227
Transportation	1,325,508	-	1,325,508	1,324,177
Food services	862,681	-	862,681	1,150,487
Capital outlays: Property	143,847	7,621,164	7,765,011	10,531,712
Equipment	483,051	160,364	643,415	389,267
Debt service:	400,001	100,004	040,410	000,201
Principal	-	340,000	340,000	1,825,000
Interest	-	1,826,200	1,826,200	1,287,300
Bond issuance cost	=	· · · · · -	· · · · -	795,509
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	21,488,168	9,947,728	31,435,896	33,572,450
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	3,257,832	(9,655,982)	(6,398,150)	(10,386,057)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
Bond proceeds	-	-	-	20,995,000
Bond premium	-	-	-	1,146,709
Lease proceeds	-	160,364	160,364	74,460
Transfers in (out)	(2,696,228)	2,696,228	, -	· -
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(2,696,228)	2,856,592	160,364	22,216,169
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	561,604	(6,799,390)	(6,237,786)	11,830,112
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,583,310	11,012,145	14,595,455	2,765,343
FUND BALANCES, END OF YEAR	\$ 4,144,914	\$ 4,212,755	\$ 8,357,669	\$ 14,595,455

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY RECONCILIATION OF STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

\$ (6,237,786)

93.830

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 are capitalized, and the cost is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation/amortization expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation/amortization in the current period.

Capital outlays	\$ 7,556,456	
Depreciation/amortization expense	(2,225,773)	5,330,683

Some revenues reported in the statement of activities are not available to finance current expenditures and, therefore, are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds.

Debt and lease proceeds are reported as financing sources in the governmental funds and, thus, contribute to the change in fund balance. In the statement of net position, however, issuing debt and obtaining capital leases increases long-term liabilities and does not affect the

statement of activities. Similarly, repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds but reduces the liability in the statement of net position. In addition, bond premiums are reported as other financing sources; however, these amounts are reported on the statement of net position as deferred charges and amortized over the life of the debt.

Lease proceeds (160,364)

Accrued interest 921
Bonds, lease, and subscription principal repayments 658,811
Amortization of bond premium 123,021 622,389

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds:

Compensated absences (156,384)

Pension expenses in the statement of activities differ from the amount reported in the governmental funds because pension expenses are recognized on the statement of activities based on the School's proportionate share of the expenses of the cost-sharing pension plan, whereas pension expenditures are recognized in the governmental funds when a requirement to remit contributions to the plan exists.

(232,753)

OPEB expenses in the statement of activities differ from the amount reported in the governmental funds because OPEB expenses are recognized on the statement of activities based on the School's proportionate share of the expenses of the cost-sharing OPEB plan, whereas OPEB expenditures are recognized in the governmental funds when a requirement to remit contributions to the plan exists.

(2,374,376)

CHANGE IN NET DEFICIT - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$ (2,954,397)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Description of the Charter School</u>

Las Américas ASPIRA Academy is organized under Delaware Code, Title 14, Chapter 5 of the State of Delaware. The Charter School Law grants authority for independent public schools to be created for the purpose of increasing choices for parents of public school students and increasing academic performance. A charter school is an independent public school governed by an independent board of directors. In Delaware, charter schools have the same basic standing as a school district with some exceptions - most notably, they may not levy taxes. To encourage innovation, charter schools operate free from a number of state laws and regulations. Las Américas ASPIRA Academy's initial charter was granted for a four-year period, renewable every five years thereafter. Las Américas ASPIRA Academy's first full year of school started on September 1, 2011.

Charter schools are funded similarly to other public schools in that state and local funds are allocated for each enrolled student. Public funds are not provided for facilities. Charter schools may charge for selected additional costs consistent with those permitted by other school districts. Because a charter school receives local, state, and federal funds, they may not charge tuition.

The financial statements of Las Américas ASPIRA Academy ("the School") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to local governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant accounting policies of the School are described below.

Reporting Entity

The School is a special purpose government and is considered a component unit of the State of Delaware. A component unit, although a legally separate entity, is, in substance, part of the State of Delaware's operations. The School has no component units for which it is considered to be financially accountable.

Entity-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The entity-wide financial statements (the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all activities of the School. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these financial statements.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given program are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

with a specific program. Program revenues include grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. The major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Entity-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Charges to the School are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are billed. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to students for special fees, supplies, food, or services provided; 2) operating grants and contributions; and 3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include charges to school districts.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, are recorded only when payment is due.

Charges to the school districts, state appropriations, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when the School receives cash.

The School reports the following major governmental funds:

 General Fund – The general fund is the School's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the School, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Capital Projects Fund – The capital projects fund accounts for resources accumulated
and payments made for the acquisition and improvement of sites, construction and
remodeling of facilities, debt service, and procurement of equipment necessary for
providing educational programs for all students within the School.

Cash and Pooled Cash

The School's cash is considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition, as well as cash deposits held in an investment pool controlled by the personnel of the State Treasurer's Office in Dover, Delaware.

Investments

Investments are recorded at fair value.

In establishing the fair value of investments, the School uses the following hierarchy. The lowest level of valuation available is used for all investments.

Level 1 – Valuations based on quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Valuations based on quoted prices of similar products in active markets or identical products in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, directly or indirectly.

Level 3 – Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

<u>Receivables</u>

The School considers all accounts receivable at year end to be collectible; therefore, no allowance for doubtful accounts has been recorded.

Capital Assets

Right-to-use assets and subscription assets are reported in the entity-wide financial statements. The School defines right-to-use assets as a contract entitling the School to the temporary use of an asset and has the economic characteristics of asset ownership. The School defines

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

subscription assets as a contract that conveys control of the right to use another party's information technology software, alone or in combination with tangible capital assets. The School defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year.

Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the lives of the assets are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Capital assets of the School are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Right-to-use assets and subscription assets are amortized over the term of the lease or agreement. The School generally uses the following estimated useful lives:

Building and improvements

Furniture and fixtures

Equipment

22 - 40 years

3 years

5 years

Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position includes a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then. The School reports deferred pension and OPEB contributions resulting from pension and OPEB contributions subsequent to the measurement date of the net pension liability and OPEB liability and certain other items which represent differences related to changes in the net pension liability and OPEB liability which will be amortized over future periods. In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position includes a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a source of net position that applies to future periods. The School reports certain items which represent differences related to changes in the net pension liability and OPEB liability which will be amortized over future periods.

Long-term Obligations

In the entity-wide financial statements, long-term debt is reported as liabilities. In the fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as expenditures.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Compensated Absences

Vacation pay plus related payroll taxes are accrued when incurred in the entity-wide financial statements. The liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental funds only when the liability matures, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

Vacation – Twelve-month employees can accumulate up to 42 days of vacation. Any days in excess of 42 are dropped as of July 1 of each year. Employees are paid for unused vacation upon termination and retirement at the current rate of pay.

Sick Leave – Sick leave allowances are as follows: teachers shall be allowed 10 days of sick leave per year, and annual employees earn one day of sick leave for each month worked. Any unused sick days shall be accumulated to the employee's credit up to a maximum of 120 days. Compensation for accumulated sick days is received when employees (a) qualify and apply for state pension and are paid at a rate of 50% of the per diem rate of pay not to exceed 120 days; or (b) in the case of death, when payment is made to the employee's estate at a rate of one day's pay for each day of unused sick leave not to exceed 90 days.

The compensated absences liability was \$805,264 at June 30, 2023, of which \$483,158 was reimbursable by the State of Delaware.

Fund Equity

Fund balance will be displayed in the following classification (if applicable) depicting the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

Nonspendable – amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted – amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions or enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments.

Committed – amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by formal action of the Board of Directors. The Board is the highest level of decision-making authority for the School. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through resolutions approved by the Board of Directors.

Assigned – amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed but that are intended to be used for specific purposes. The Head of School may assign amounts for specific purposes.

Unassigned – all other spendable amounts.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unassigned fund balances are available, the School considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the School considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds and finally, unassigned funds, as needed, unless the Board or Head of School has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. The net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Any remaining portions of net position are reflected as unrestricted. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the School's policy to use restricted resources first and then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Income Tax Status

The School is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and, therefore, has no provision for federal income taxes. The School qualifies for the charitable contribution deduction under Section 170(b)(1)(A) and has been classified as an organization that is not a private foundation under Section 509(a)(1). The School did not engage in any unrelated business activities during the fiscal year. Management believes more likely than not that its tax-exempt status and tax positions will be sustained if examined by authorities.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Comparative Data

Comparative total data for the prior year is presented in the basic financial statements to provide an understanding of changes in the School's financial position and operations. That comparative data is not at the level of detail required for a presentation in conformity with

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (cont'd)

accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and, therefore, should be read in conjunction with the School's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022, from which the summarized information was derived.

<u>Implementation of GASB Statement</u>

During the year ended June 30, 2023, the School implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 96, "Subscription-Based Information Technology Agreements." The purpose of this statement is to increase the usefulness of governmental financial statements by requiring recognition of certain subscription assets and liabilities for all leases.

NOTE 2 CASH, POOLED CASH, AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits

At June 30, 2023, the School had a cash and pooled cash balance of \$6,248,084. Of those amounts, \$6,246,952 was part of an investment pool controlled by the personnel of the State Treasurer's Office in Dover, Delaware, and all investment decisions are made by the State Treasurer's Office. These funds are considered to be highly liquid and available for immediate use and, thus, are recorded as cash equivalents in these financial statements.

The funds held by the State of Delaware investment pool, an internal investment pool, are specifically identified for the School, but the credit risk cannot be categorized for these funds. Credit risk for such investments depends on the financial stability of the State of Delaware. The State reports that its investment securities are stated at quoted market prices, except that investment securities with a remaining maturity at time of purchase of one year or less are stated at cost or amortized cost.

At June 30, 2023, the reported amount of the School's deposits outside of the State Treasurer's Office was \$1,132 and the bank balance was \$1,132, all of which was covered by federal depository insurance.

Investments

State statutes authorize the School to invest in U.S. government securities, government agency securities, certificates of deposit, time deposits and bankers acceptances, corporate debt instruments, money market funds, and other similar instruments that are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") or are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 CASH, POOLED CASH, AND INVESTMENTS (cont'd)

The School categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The School has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2023:

Investment Type	Fair Value	Level 2		
Money Market Mutual Fund	\$ 4,756,866	\$ 4,756,866		
TOTAL	\$ 4,756,866	\$ 4,756,866		

Custodial Credit Risk

For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the School will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral security that are in the possession of an outside party. As of June 30, 2023, none of the School's investments were subject to custodial credit risk.

Interest Rate Risk

The School does not have an investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. However, to ensure that its assets remain liquid enough to satisfy its current obligations, at June 30, 2023, all of the School's investments had maturity dates of less than one year.

Credit Risk

The School has no investment policy that would limit its investment choices to those with certain credit ratings.

NOTE 3 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable represent receivables for revenues earned by the School. At June 30, 2023, receivables are as follows:

Description		
Passed through the State of Delaware: Federal government	\$	2,405
Total accounts receivable	\$	2,405

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 4 <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

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

	Beginning Balances	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balances
Governmental Activities: General capital assets not being depreciated/amortized:				
Land	\$ 1,502,686	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,502,686
Construction-in-progress	4,182,115	6,831,386		11,013,501
Total general capital assets not				
being depreciated/amortized	5,684,801	6,831,386		12,516,187
Conoral capital assets being				
General capital assets being depreciated/amortized:				
Building and improvements	29,603,357	40,529	-	29,643,886
Furniture and equipment	2,801,896	524,177	-	3,326,073
Right-to-use asset - equipment	966,109	160,364	-	1,126,473
Subscription asset	35,800			35,800
Total general capital assets				
being depreciated/amortized	33,407,162	725,070		34,132,232
Accumulated depreciation	7,166,842	1,886,376	-	9,053,218
Accumulated amortization -				
leased assets	602,217	332,237	-	925,504
Accumulated amortization -				
subscription assets	1,790	7,160		8,950
Total general capital assets being	7,770,849	2,225,773		9,996,622
depreciated/amortized, net	25,636,313	(1,500,703)		24,135,610
Governmental Activities, Net	\$ 31,321,114	\$ 5,330,683	\$ -	\$ 36,651,797

Depreciation/amortization expense was charged to the following governmental activities:

Instructional services Operation and maintenance of facilities	\$ 644,705 1,581,068
	\$ 2,225,773

NOTE 5 LONG-TERM DEBT

During the year ended June 30, 2017, the School issued revenue bonds, Series A and Series B of 2016 in the amounts of \$20,125,000 and \$900,000, respectively, in order to repay the balances of the three notes issued in 2015 and fund ongoing construction. The bonds are subject to certain financial covenants, which were met in the current fiscal year.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 5 LONG-TERM DEBT (cont'd)

The Series A of 2016 bonds bear interest ranging from 3.25% to 5.00%, maturing June 1, 2026 to June 1, 2051, with interest payable on December 1 and June 1.

The Series B of 2016 bonds bear interest at 6.25% and mature on June 1, 2022, with interest payable on December 1 and June 1.

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the School issued Revenue Bonds, Series A and Series B of 2022 in the amounts of \$19,695,000 and \$1,300,000, respectively. The bonds are subject to certain financial covenants, which were met in the current fiscal year.

The Series A of 2022 bonds bear interest ranging from 3.00% to 4.00%, maturing June 1, 2032 to June 1, 2057, with interest payable on December 1 and June 1.

The Series B of 2022 bonds bear interest at 5.40%, maturing June 1, 2026 to June 1, 2029, with interest payable on December 1 and June 1.

The School leases copier and computer equipment under a number of leases. The School has entered into these lease agreements at different times during fiscal years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023. The leases expire at various times during fiscal years 2024 and 2026.

The School has entered into a subscription-based information technology arrangement for bus software. This arrangement expires in fiscal year 2026.

A schedule of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2023 is as follows:

	Amounts Outstanding 7/1/2022	Additions Retirements		Amounts Outstanding 6/30/2023	Due Within One Year	
Governmental Activities:						
Bonds payable	\$40,950,000	\$ -	\$ 340,000	\$40,610,000	\$ 350,000	
Bond premium	2,422,685	-	123,021	2,344,794	77,892	
	43,372,685		463,021	42,909,664	427,892	
Lease Payable	321,145	160,364	311,049	170,460	117,094	
Subscription liability	27,844	-	7,762	20,082	8,089	
Net pension liability	-	5,183,937	-	5,183,937	-	
Net OPEB liability	30,886,765	239,750	-	31,126,515	-	
Compensated absences	648,880	156,384		805,264		
Total Governmental Activities	\$75,257,319	\$5,740,435	\$ 781,832	\$80,215,922	\$ 553,075	

Payment of the bonds payable is expected to be refunded by the capital projects fund, and all other long-term liabilities are expected to be funded by the general fund.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 5 LONG-TERM DEBT (cont'd)

A summary of the School's bonds payable is as follows:

Description	Amount of Original Issue	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Balance June 30, 2023
Series A of 2016 Series A of 2022 Series B of 2022 Bonds payable, at face Unamortized premium Bonds payable, net	\$20,125,000 19,695,000 1,300,000	3.25% - 5.00% 3.00% - 4.00% 5.40%	Annually Annually Annually	\$ 19,615,000 19,695,000 1,300,000 40,610,000 2,344,794 \$ 42,909,664
Amounts due in one year Amounts due after one year				\$ 427,892 42,481,772 \$ 42,909,664

The total principal and interest maturities as of June 30, 2023 for bonds payable are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	Total
2024	\$ 350,000	\$ 1,805,975	\$ 2,155,975
2025	365,000	1,794,600	2,159,600
2026	705,000	1,782,738	2,487,738
2027	735,000	1,752,730	2,487,730
2028	775,000	1,714,600	2,489,600
2029 - 2033	4,435,000	8,001,440	12,436,440
2034 - 2038	5,500,000	6,939,200	12,439,200
2039 - 2043	6,860,000	4,579,300	11,439,300
2044 - 2048	8,585,000	3,851,950	12,436,950
2049 - 2053	8,035,000	1,765,450	9,800,450
2054 - 2057	4,265,000	434,800	4,699,800
Total	\$40,610,000	\$34,422,783	\$75,032,783

The total principal and interest maturities as of June 30, 2023 for lease payables are as follows:

Year	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	Total
2024	\$ 117,094	\$ 8,995	\$ 126,089
2025 2026	51,796 1,570	4,867 -	56,663 1,570
Totals	\$ 170,460	\$ 13,862	\$ 184,322

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 5 LONG-TERM DEBT (cont'd)

The total principal and interest maturities as of June 30, 2023 for subscription liability is as follows:

Year	Pr	<u>Principal</u>		nterest	 Total
2024	\$	8,089	\$	602	\$ 8,691
2025		5,818		360	6,178
2026		6,175		99	 6,274
Totals	\$	20,082	\$	1,061	\$ 21,143

NOTE 6 FUND BALANCES

As of June 30, 2023, fund balances are composed of the following:

	General Fund		Capital Projects Fund		Total Governmental Funds	
Nonspendable:						
Prepaid expenditures	\$	25,685	\$	-	\$	25,685
Restricted:						
Capital projects		-		6,850		6,850
Debt service		-	2,8	51,914	2	2,851,914
Repair and replacement		-	10	00,000		100,000
Building expansion		-	1,2	53,991	1	,253,991
Unassigned		1,119,229		<u> </u>	4	1,119,229
Total Fund Balances	\$ 4	1,144,914	\$ 4,2	12,755	\$ 8	3,357,669

NOTE 7 INTERNAL TRANSFERS

Interfund balances between funds represent temporary loans recorded at year end subsequent to a final allocation of expenses. There were no balances as of June 30, 2023. During the year, the general fund transferred \$2,696,228 to the capital projects fund to fund current year principal and interest payments on long-term debt.

NOTE 8 PENSION PLAN

Plan Description

School employees are considered state employees and are covered under the State of Delaware Employees' Pension Plan ("the Plan"), which is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

defined benefit public employees' retirement system ("the State PERS") established in the Delaware Code. The Plan is administered by the Delaware Public Employees Retirement System ("DPERS").

The State of Delaware General Assembly is responsible for setting benefits and contributions, and amending plan provisions; administrative rules and regulations are adopted and maintained by the Board of Pension Trustees ("the Board").

The following are brief descriptions of the Plan in effect as of June 30, 2022. For a more complete description, please refer to the Delaware Employees' Pension Plan Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. Separately issued financial statements for the Plan may be obtained by writing to the State of Delaware Public Employee Retirement System, McArdle Building, Suite 1, 860 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, DE 19904; by calling 1-800-722-7300; or by visiting the PERS website at www.delawarepensions.com.

Plan Description and Eligibility

The State Employees' Pension Plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan that covers virtually all full-time or regular part-time employees of the State, including employees of other affiliated entities.

There are two tiers within this plan: 1) employees hired prior to January 1, 2012 (Pre-2012), and 2) employees hired on or after January 1, 2012 (Post-2011).

Benefits Provided

Service Benefits

Final average monthly compensation (employees hired Post-2011 may not include overtime in pension compensation) multiplied by 2.0% and multiplied by years of credited service prior to January 1, 1997, plus final average monthly compensation multiplied by 1.85% and multiplied by years of credited service after December 31, 1996, subject to minimum limitations. For this plan, final average monthly compensation is the monthly average of the highest three periods of 12 consecutive months of compensation.

Vesting

Pre-2012 date of hire: 5 years of credited service. Post-2011 date of hire: 10 years of credited service (5 of which must be consecutive).

Retirement

Employees hired Pre-2011 may retire at age 62 with five years of credited service; at age 60 with 15 years of credited service; or after 30 years of credited service at any age. Employees hired

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

Post-2012 may retire at age 65 with at least 10 years of credited service; at age 60 with 20 years of credited service; or after 30 years of credited service at any age.

Disability Benefits

Pre-2012 date of hire: Same as Service Benefits. Employee must have 5 years of credited service. In lieu of disability pension benefits, over 90% of the members of this plan opted into a Disability Insurance Program offered by the State effective January 1, 2006. Post-2011 date of hire; in the Disability Insurance Program.

Survivor and Burial Benefits

If employee is receiving a pension, the eligible survivor receives 50% of pension (or 67.7% with 2% reduction of benefit, 75% with 3% reduction of benefit, or 100% with 6% reduction of benefit); if employee is active with at least 5 years of credited service, eligible survivor receives 75% of pension the employee would have received at age 62. Amount payable to a surviving spouse under age 50 at the time the survivor's pension begins shall be reduced for each month under 50 in accordance with actuarial tables approved by the Board. Any actuarial reduction for such a spouse shall, however, not apply for the period during which the spouse has in his or her care an unmarried child or children.

Burial benefits are established at \$7,000 per plan member.

Contributions

Member Contributions

Pre-2012 date of hire employees contribute 3% of earnings in excess of \$6,000. Post-2011 date of hire employees contribute 5% of earnings in excess of \$6,000.

Employer Contributions

Employer contributions are determined by the Board. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the rate of the employer contribution was 11.15% of covered payroll. The School's contribution to PERS for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$1,169,807.

PRI Contribution

All reporting units participating in the State PERS make contributions to a PRI fund which accumulates resources to fund ad hoc postretirement increases granted by the General Assembly. The increases are funded over a five-year period from the PRI fund. The allocation of the contribution from the PRI fund to the pension trust is a reduction of the net pension liability of each participating employer.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

Pension Liability and Expense, and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

At June 30, 2023, the School reported a pension liability of \$5,183,937 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 used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by rolling forward the Plan's total pension liability as of June 30, 2021 to June 30, 2022. The School's proportion of the net pension liability was calculated based on the actual contributions made during the measurement period in proportion to the total of all employer contributions made during the measurement period. At June 30, 2022, the School's proportion was 0.3790%, which was an increase of 0.0619% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the School recognized pension expense of \$1,457,895. At June 30, 2023, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		İr	Deferred oflows of esources
Net difference between projected and		204.010		
actual investment earnings	\$	994,813	\$	-
Changes in proportions		943,860		-
Changes in assumptions		560,525		-
Differences between actual and expected		•		
experience		535,315		-
Contributions subsequent to the date of				
measurement		1,169,807		-
	\$	4.204.320	Ś	_
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An amount of \$1,169,807 is reported as deferred outflows of resources resulting from the School's contributions subsequent to the June 30, 2022 measurement date and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts will be reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,

2024	\$ 257,061
2025	63,505
2026	186,358
2027	2,329,596
2028	197,993
	\$3,034,513

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability as of the June 30, 2022 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021, and update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to June 30, 2022. These actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods:

- Investment return 7.0%, including inflation of 2.5%
- Salary increases 2.5% plus merit, including inflation of 2.5%
- Cost-of-living adjustments 0.0%

The total pension liabilities are measured based on assumptions pertaining to interest rates, inflation rates, and employee demographic behavior in future years. It is likely that future experience will not exactly conform to these assumptions. To the extent that actual experience deviates from these assumptions, the emerging liabilities may be higher or lower than anticipated. The more the actual experience deviates, the larger the impact on future financial statements.

Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Mortality Tables with Gender Adjustments for Employees, Healthy Annuitants, and Disabled Retirees as well as an adjusted version on MP-2020 Mortality Improvement Scale on a fully generational basis.

Projected benefit payments do not include the effects of projected ad hoc cost-of-living adjustments ("ad hoc COLAs"), as they are not substantively automatic. The primary considerations relevant to making this determination include the historical patterns of granting the changes and the consistency in the amounts of the changes.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of 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 an asset allocation percentage, which is based on the nature and mix of current and expected plan investments, and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Plan are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return	Target Asset <u>Allocation</u>		
Domestic equity	5.7%	31.8%		
International equity	5.7%	15.0%		
Fixed income . ,	2.0%	23.6%		
Alternative investments	7.8%	21.5%		
Cash and equivalents	0.0%	8.1%		

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

Discount Rate

The discount used to measure the total pension liability was 7.0%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at rates determined by the Board, as actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension 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 pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

<u>Sensitivity of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</u>

The following presents the net pension liability, calculated using the discount rate of 7.0%, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.0%) or one percentage point higher (8.0%) than the current rate.

	1%	Current		1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase 8.0%	
	6.0%	7.0%		
School's proportionate share of			_	
the net pension liability	\$ 10,824,845	\$ 5,183,937	\$	847,663

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about PERS' fiduciary net position is available in PERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, which can be found on the Plan's website at www.delawarepensions.com.

NOTE 9 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN

Plan Description

School employees are considered state employees and are covered under the State of Delaware Employees' Other Postemployment Benefits ("OPEB") Fund Trust ("the Plan"), which is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plan established in the Delaware Code.

The State of Delaware General Assembly is responsible for setting benefits and contributions, and amending plan provisions; administrative rules and regulations are adopted and maintained by the DPERS Board of Pension Trustees, which acts as the Board of Trustees ("the Board") for the Plan and is responsible for the financial management of the Plan.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 9 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

The following are brief descriptions of the Plan in effect as of June 30, 2022. For a more complete description, please refer to the Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Separately issued financial statements for the Plan may be obtained by writing to the State of Delaware Public Employee Retirement System, McArdle Building, Suite 1,860 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, DE 19904; by calling 1-800-722-7300; or by visiting the PERS website at www.delawarepensions.com.

Plan Description and Eligibility

The Plan is a cost-sharing multiple employer plan that covers all employees of the State that are eligible to participate in the defined benefit pension plan, including employees of other affiliated entities.

Benefits Provided

The Plan provides medical coverage to pensioners and their eligible dependents. The participant's cost of plan benefits is variable based on years of service. Pensioners who retire after July 1, 2012 and who become eligible for Medicare will pay an additional 5% of the Medicare Supplement offered by the State. Surviving spouses are eligible for coverage after a retiree's death.

Contributions

Employer Contributions

Participating employers fund the Plan for current retirees on a pay-as-you-go basis along with funding for future benefits at a rate that is approved in the annual budget, but not actuarially determined. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the rate of the employer contribution was 14.98% of covered payroll. The School's contribution to the Plan for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$1,571,522.

Other Postemployment Benefits Plan Liability and Expense, and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

At June 30, 2023, the School reported a liability of \$31,126,515 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by rolling forward the Plan's total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2021 to June 30, 2022. The School's proportion of the net OPEB liability was calculated based on the actual contributions made during the measurement period in proportion to the total of all employer contributions made during the measurement period. At June 30, 2022, the School's proportion was 0.3672%, which was an increase of 0.0609% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 9 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the School recognized OPEB expense of \$3,945,898. At June 30, 2023, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred	Deferred	
	Outflows of	Inflows of	
	Resources	Resources	
Net difference between projected and			
actual investment earnings	\$ 72,680	\$ -	
Changes in proportions	8,993,113	-	
Changes in assumptions	4,804,841	7,154,261	
Net difference between projected and			
actual experience	787,252	3,813,803	
Contributions subsequent to the date of			
measurement	1,571,522		
	\$16,229,408	\$10,968,064	

An amount of \$1,571,522 is reported as deferred outflows of resources resulting from the School's contributions subsequent to the June 30, 2022 measurement date and will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts will be reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year	Endina	June 30,	
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2024	\$ 959,233
2025	1,205,521
2026	1,585,570
2027	400,909
2028	668,610
Thereafter	(1,130,021)
	\$ 3,689,822

Actuarial Assumptions

The total OPEB liability as of the June 30, 2022 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021, and update procedures were used to roll forward the total OPEB liability to June 30, 2022. These actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions:

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 9 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

- Discount rate 3.54%
- Salary increases 3.25% plus merit
- Healthcare cost trend rates 5.17%

Mortality rates are based on the Sex-distinct Employee, Healthy Annuitant, and Disabled Annuitant Mortality Tables derived from the Pub-2010 General Benefits Weighted Annuitant Mortality Table, including adjustment facts. Future mortality improvements are reflected by applying a custom projection scale on a generational basis to adjusted base tables from the base year.

The total OPEB liabilities are measured based on assumptions pertaining to the interest rates, inflation rates, health costs, and employee demographic behavior in future years. The assumptions used were based on the results of an actuarial experience study performed in 2021 and covering the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020. It is likely that future experience will not exactly conform to these assumptions. To the extent that actual experience deviates from these assumptions, the emerging liabilities may be higher or lower than anticipated. The more the experience deviates, the larger the impact on future financial statements.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 2.16% at the beginning of the current measurement period and 3.54% at the end, based on the Bond Buyer GO 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, an index satisfying the GASB requirement of an index rate for 20-year, tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions to the Plan will continue to follow the pay-as-you-go contribution policy. Based on the assumptions of a pay-as-you-go plan, the discount rates used at the June 30, 2022 measurement date is equal to the applicable rate of the 20-year, tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher.

<u>Sensitivity of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount</u>
Rate

The following presents the net OPEB liability, calculated using the discount rate of 3.54%, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (2.54%) or one percentage point higher (4.54%) than the current rate.

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease 2.5.49/	Discount Rate	Increase
	2.54%	3.54%	4.54%
School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 36,699,126	\$ 31,126,515	\$ 26,690,075

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 9 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

<u>Sensitivity of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates</u>

The following presents the net OPEB liability, calculated using the healthcare cost trend rate of 5.17%, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare cost trend rate that is one percentage point lower (4.17%) or one percentage point higher (6.17%) than the current rate.

School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 26,732,889	\$ 31,126,515	\$ 36,350,007
	Decrease 4.17%	Trend Rate 5.17%	Increase 6.17%
	1%	Current Healthcare	1%

Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the Plan's fiduciary net position is available in PERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, which can be found on the Plan's website at www.delawarepensions.com.

NOTE 10 RISK MANAGEMENT

The School has purchased commercial insurance policies for various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees; or acts of God. Payments of premiums for these policies are recorded as expenses of the School for the year ended June 30, 2023. There was no significant reduction in coverage compared to the prior year.

NOTE 11 EXCESS EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS

The School overspent budgetary appropriations in the following categories:

Salaries	\$ 449,770
Travel	\$ 6,157
Insurance	\$ 5,637
Student activities	\$ 52,617
Capital outlays - equipment	\$ 445,551

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 11 EXCESS EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS (cont'd)

The excess expenditures were covered by revenues exceeded anticipated amounts and by other expenditure categories that were less than their budgeted appropriation.

NOTE 12 <u>UNCERTAINTIES</u>

Grants

The School receives significant financial assistance from federal agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the State Office of Auditor of Accounts. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the general fund. The School's administration believes such disallowance, if any, would be immaterial.

NOTE 13 DEFICIT NET POSITION

For governmental activities, the unrestricted net deficit amount of \$23,172,478 includes the effect of deferring the recognition of pension and OPEB contributions made subsequent to the measurement date of the net pension liability and net OPEB liability, and the deferred outflows related to the pension and OPEB plans. This is offset by the School's actuarially determined pension liability and OPEB liability, and the deferred inflows related to the pension and OPEB plans.

NOTE 14 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of business, there are various outstanding commitments and contingent liabilities in addition to the normal encumbrances for the purchase of goods and services. The School does not anticipate losses from these transactions.

Construction Commitments

At June 30, 2023, the School was party to a construction contract in the amount of \$11,805,336 for building renovations, of which \$10,697,757 in expenditures had been incurred by June 30, 2023, resulting in a remaining construction commitment of \$1,107,579. All payments under this contract are reported as construction-in-progress on the statement of net position as of June 30, 2023. The remaining \$315,744 included in construction-in-progress is not under formal commitment due to the terms of the contracts not listing a fixed price, but instead hourly rates or some other measure of estimating cost at completion.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 15 CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE

In accordance with the adoption of GASB Statement No. 96, as discussed in Note 1, the School has restated its July 1, 2021 net position in its governmental activities by \$6,166 to record the subscription asset and subscription liability associated with the School's subscription-based information technology arrangements at June 30, 2022. The net result of this change is an increase to the subscription asset, net of amortization of \$34,010, an increase in subscription liability of \$27,844, and an increase to net investment in capital assets component of net position of \$6,166 in its governmental activities.

NOTE 16 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The School has evaluated all subsequent events through September 26, 2023, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.



LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

DEVENIUE	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES Charges to school districts	\$ 6,509,752	\$ 6,712,946	\$ 6,925,438	\$ 212,492
State aid	13,608,430	13,657,830	14,026,660	368,830
Federal aid	1,333,560	1,424,740	2,116,393	691,653
Interest income	1,333,300	1,424,740	72,089	72,089
Food service revenue	215,103	232,500	218,150	(14,350)
Other local revenues	801,286	779,831	149,369	(630,462)
After care	215,000	242,000	187,476	(54,524)
Donations	401,000	445,000	932,673	487,673
Summer camp	128,000	84,000	117,752	33,752
TOTAL REVENUES	23,212,131	23,578,847	24,746,000	1,167,153
TOTAL REVENUES	23,212,131	23,370,047	24,740,000	1,107,133
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Salaries	10,968,341	11,030,860	11,480,630	(449,770)
Employment costs	5,530,863	5,522,019	5,482,597	39,422
Travel	77,400	87,550	93,707	(6,157)
Contractual services	1,394,484	1,587,000	265,523	1,321,477
Communications	39,000	36,500	36,198	302
Public utilities service	334,000	346,000	311,919	34,081
Insurance	110,000	117,000	122,637	(5,637)
Transportation - buses	1,371,847	1,334,102	1,325,508	8,594
Repairs and maintenance	130,500	185,500	161,860	23,640
Supplies and materials	2,038,216	2,180,742	1,447,074	733,668
Student activities	115,000	81,000	133,617	(52,617)
Capital outlays:				,
Property	1,912,860	1,915,360	143,847	1,771,513
Equipment	40,000	37,500	483,051	(445,551)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	24,062,511	24,461,133	21,488,168	2,972,965
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES				
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(850,380)	(882,286)	3,257,832	4,140,118
OTHER FINANCING USES				
Transfer out	_	_	(2,696,228)	(2,696,228)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING USES			(2,696,228)	(2,696,228)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING 03E3			(2,090,220)	(2,090,220)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(850,380)	(882,286)	561,604	1,443,890
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,583,310	3,583,310	3,583,310	
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 2,732,930	\$ 2,701,024	\$ 4,144,914	\$ 1,443,890

NOTE: The School's budget is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting.

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY STATE OF DELAWARE EMPLOYEES' PENSION PLAN

MEASUREMENT DATE PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY JUNE 30, 2022 JUNE 30, 2021 JUNE 30, 2020 JUNE 30, 2019 JUNE 30, 2018 JUNE 30, 2017 JUNE 30, 2016 JUNE 30, 2015 JUNE 30, 2014 School's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) 0.3790% 0.3171% 0.2974% 0.2792% 0.2395% 0.1910% 0.1756% 0.1409% 0.1061% School's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) -\$ 390,535 dollar value \$ 5,183,937 \$ (3,863,696) \$ 4,180,653 \$ 4,347,423 \$ 3,092,441 \$ 2,800,443 \$ 2,646,247 \$ 937,416 School's covered employee payroll \$ 8,739,743 \$ 1,939,990 \$ 6,929,211 \$ 6,411,405 \$ 5,794,303 \$ 4,754,194 \$ 3,721,305 \$ 3,349,061 \$ 2,627,918 School's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered employee payroll 59.31% -55.76% 65.21% 75.03% 65.05% 75.25% 79.01% 35.67% 20.13% Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (asset) 88.76% 110.48% 87.27% 85.41% 87.49% 85.31% 84.11% 92.67% 95.80%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY SCHEDULE OF SCHOOL PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS STATE OF DELAWARE EMPLOYEES' PENSION PLAN

CONTRIBUTIONS	JUNE 30, 2023	JUNE 30, 2022	JUNE 30, 2021	JUNE 30, 2020	JUNE 30, 2019	JUNE 30, 2018	JUNE 30, 2017	JUNE 30, 2016	JUNE 30, 2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,169,807	\$ 1,088,098	\$ 854,373	\$ 766,804	\$ 685,466	\$ 495,387	\$ 356,501	\$ 320,840	\$ 251,229
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	1,169,807	1,088,098	854,373	766,804	685,466	495,387	356,501	320,840	251,229
Contribution excess	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
School's covered employee payroll	\$ 10,491,543	\$ 8,739,743	\$ 6,929,221	\$ 6,411,405	\$ 5,794,303	\$ 4,754,194	\$ 3,721,305	\$ 3,349,060	\$ 2,627,918
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	11.15%	12.45%	12.33%	11.96%	11.83%	10.42%	9.58%	9.58%	9.56%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY STATE OF DELAWARE EMPLOYEES' OPEB PLAN

			MEASURE	MENT DATE		
PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET OPEB LIABILITY	JUNE 30, 2022	JUNE 30, 2021	JUNE 30, 2020	JUNE 30, 2019	JUNE 30, 2018	JUNE 30, 2017
School's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.3672%	0.3063%	0.2903%	0.2718%	0.2334%	0.1867%
School's proportion of the net OPEB liability - dollar value	\$ 31,126,515	\$ 30,886,765	\$ 30,225,825	\$ 21,660,108	\$ 19,161,282	\$ 15,409,745
School's covered employee payroll	\$ 8,739,743	\$ 6,929,221	\$ 6,411,405	\$ 5,794,303	\$ 4,754,194	\$ 3,721,305
School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	356.15%	481.75%	471.44%	373.82%	403.04%	414.10%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	6.43%	6.06%	4.27%	4.89%	4.44%	4.13%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY SCHEDULE OF SCHOOL OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS STATE OF DELAWARE EMPLOYEES' OPEB PLAN

CONTRIBUTIONS	JUNE 30, 2023	JUNE 30, 2022	JUNE 30, 2021	JUNE 30, 2020	JUNE 30, 2019	JUNE 30, 2018
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,571,522	\$ 1,003,382	\$ 817,824	\$ 802,196	\$ 683,069	\$ 524,241
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	1,571,522	1,003,382	817,824	802,196	683,069	524,241
Contribution excess	<u> </u>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
School's covered employee payroll	\$ 10,491,543	\$ 8,739,743	\$ 6,929,221	\$ 6,411,405	\$ 5,794,303	\$ 4,754,194
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	14.98%	11.48%	11.80%	12.51%	11.79%	11.03%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.



LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - GENERAL FUND JUNE 30, 2023

	State Allocation	Local Funding	Federal Funding	Total
ASSETS Cash and pooled cash Accounts receivable Prepaid expenditures TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 626,920 - - \$ 626,920	\$ 5,621,164 - 25,685 \$ 5,646,849	\$ - 2,405 - \$ 2,405	\$ 6,248,084 2,405 25,685 \$ 6,276,174
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES LIABILITIES Accounts payable Accrued salaries and related costs TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ - - -	\$ 56,230 2,072,625 2,128,855	\$ - 2,405 2,405	\$ 56,230 2,075,030 2,131,260
FUND BALANCES Nonspendable Unassigned TOTAL FUND BALANCES	626,920 626,920	25,685 3,492,309 3,517,994	- - -	25,685 4,119,229 4,144,914
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 626,920	\$ 5,646,849	\$ 2,405	\$ 6,276,174

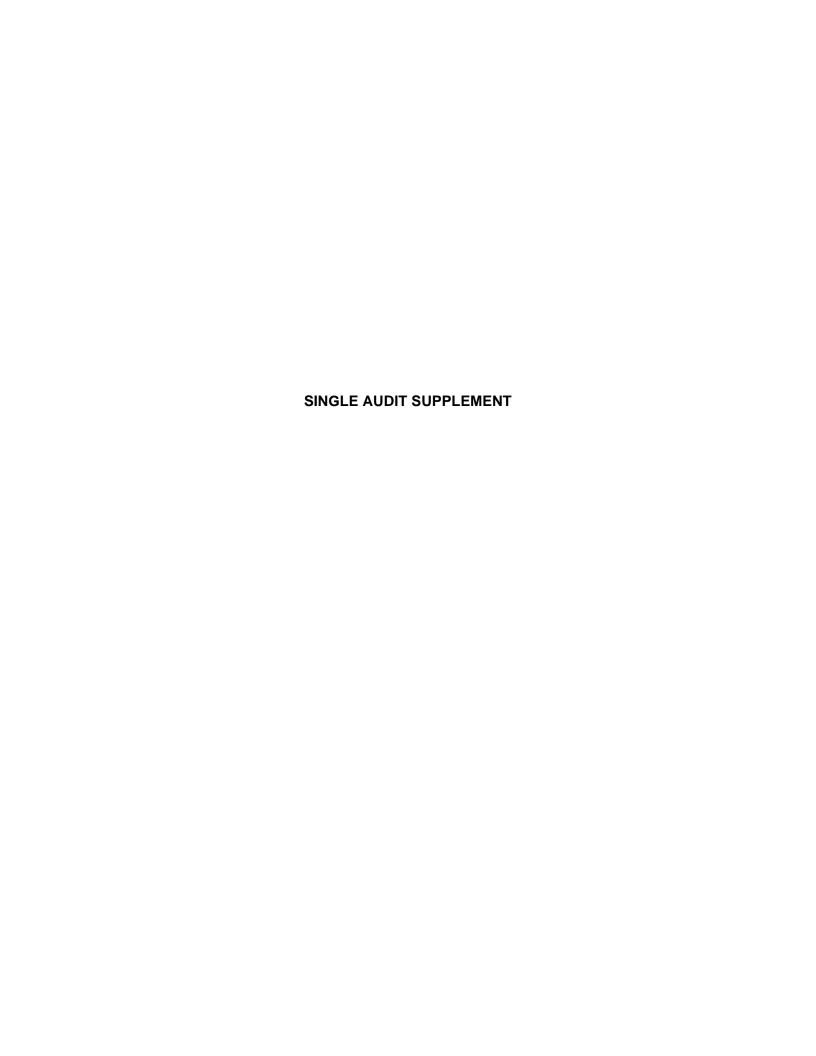
LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

DEVENUES	State Allocation	Local Funding	Federal Funding	Total
REVENUES Charges to school districts State aid Federal aid	\$ - 14,026,660 -	\$ 6,925,438 - -	\$ - - 1,480,570	\$ 6,925,438 14,026,660 1,480,570
Interest income Food service revenue After care Donations	- - -	72,089 218,150 187,476 932,673	635,823 -	72,089 853,973 187,476 932,673
Summer camp TOTAL REVENUES	14,021,170	117,752 8,608,437	2,116,393	117,752 24,746,000
EXPENDITURES Current:				
Instruction Operation and maintenance of facilities Transportation Food services	9,745,505 610,360 1,292,102 213,869	5,735,988 1,110,593 33,406 12,989	1,455,204 15,431 - 635,823	16,936,697 1,736,384 1,325,508 862,681
Capital outlays: Property Equipment	-	143,847 473,116	9,935	143,847 483,051
TOTAL EXPENDITURES EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER	11,861,836	7,509,939	2,116,393	21,488,168
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	2,159,334	1,098,498	-	3,257,832
OTHER FINANCING USES: Transfer out TOTAL OTHER FINANCING USES	(1,796,401) (1,796,401)	(899,827) (899,827)	-	(2,696,228) (2,696,228)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	362,933	198,671	-	561,604
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR	263,987	3,319,323		3,583,310
FUND BALANCES, END OF YEAR	\$ 626,920	\$ 3,517,994	\$ -	\$ 4,144,914

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES BY NATURAL CLASSIFICATION GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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Current:	
Salaries	\$ 11,480,630
Employment costs	5,482,597
Travel	93,707
Contractual services	265,523
Communications	36,198
Public utilities service	311,919
Insurance	122,637
Transportation - buses	1,325,508
Repairs and maintenance	161,860
Supplies and materials	1,447,074
Student activities	133,617
Capital outlays:	
Property	7,765,011
Equipment	643,415
Debt service:	
Principal	340,000
Interest	1,826,200
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 31,435,896





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

September 26, 2023

Board of Directors Las Américas ASPIRA Academy Newark, Delaware

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Las Américas ASPIRA Academy ("the School"), Newark, Delaware, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 26, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

Board of Directors Las Américas ASPIRA Academy

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether School's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the 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 PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

September 26, 2023

Board of Directors Las Américas ASPIRA Academy Newark, Delaware

Report on Compliance for Major Federal Program

Opinion on Major Federal Program

We have audited Las Américas ASPIRA Academy's ("the School") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on the School's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2023. The School's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and recommendations.

In our opinion, the School compiled, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States ("Government Auditing Standards"); 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"). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

Board of Directors Las Américas ASPIRA Academy

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the School's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and, therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance 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 the School's compliance with the requirements of the major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

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

Board of Directors Las Américas ASPIRA Academy

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

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal 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 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 program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

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

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

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LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

FEDERAL GRANTOR PROJECT TITLE U.S. Department of Agriculture	SOURCE CODE	FEDERAL ALN NUMBER	GRANT PERIOD BEGINNING/ ENDING DATES	GRANT AMOUNT	TOTAL RECEIVED FOR YEAR	ACCRUED (UNEARNED) REVENUE 06/30/22	REVENUE RECOGNIZED	CURRENT YEAR EXPENDITURES	ACCRUED (UNEARNED) REVENUE 06/30/23	PASSED THROUGH TO SUB- RECIPIENTS
Passed through Delaware Department of Education National School Lunch Program Total ALN #10.555	1	10.555	07/01/22-06/30/23	N/A	\$ 510,978 510,978	\$ -	\$ 510,978 510,978	\$ 510,978 510,978	\$ -	\$ <u>-</u>
Summer Food Program For Children Total ALN #10.559	1	10.559	07/01/22-06/30/23	N/A	4,650 4,650		4,650 4,650	4,650 4,650		
Total Child Nutrition Cluster					515,628		515,628	515,628		
Child and Adult Care Food Program Total ALN #10.558	1	10.558	07/01/22-06/30/23	N/A	120,195 120,195		120,195 120,195	120,195 120,195	<u> </u>	
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture					635,823		635,823	635,823		
U.S. Department of Education Passed through Delaware Department of Education		04.040	07/04/04 44/00/00	* 000 050	00.077	00.077				
Title I - Grants to Local Education Agencies Title I - Grants to Local Education Agencies	l I	84.010 84.010	07/01/21-11/30/23 07/01/22-11/30/24	\$ 306,256 500,517	80,677 323,789	80,677	326,194	326,194	2,405	
Total ALN #84.010					404,466	80,677	326,194	326,194	2,405	
IDEA Part B	Į.	84.027	07/01/21-11/30/23	235,611	58,889	-	58,889	58,889	-	-
IDEA Part B APR IDEA 611 X	l I	84.027 84.027	07/01/22-11/30/24 07/01/21-11/30/23	267,730 64,277	171,781 26,953	-	171,781 26,953	171,781 26,953	-	-
Total ALN #84.027		04.021	07/01/21-11/30/23	04,211	257,623		257,623	257,623		
Special Education Preschool Grants	Į.	84.173	07/01/21-09/30/23	6,831	3,175	-	3,175	3,175	-	-
Special Education Preschool Grants Total ALN #84.173	ı	84.173	07/01/22-09/30/24	7,490	5,986 9,161		5,986 9,161	5,986 9,161		
					266,784		266,784			
Total Special Education Cluster					200,784	<u>-</u>	200,784	266,784		
English Language Acquisition	I	84.365	07/01/21-11/30/23	30,873	4,188	-	4,188	4,188	-	-
English Language Acquisition Total ALN #84.365	I	84.365	07/01/22-11/30/24	37,376	17,766 21,954		17,766 21,954	17,766 21,954		
10tal ALIN #04.303					21,904		21,904	21,954		<u>-</u> _
Title II - Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	1	84.367	07/01/21-11/30/23	75,283	32,016	-	32,016	32,016	-	-
Title II - Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	I	84.367	07/01/22-11/30/24	90,774	79,305		79,305	79,305		
Total ALN #84.367					111,321		111,321	111,321	-	
Title IV	1	84.424	07/01/22-11/30/24	29,770	29,770		29,770	29,770		

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LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		FEDERAL	GRANT PERIOD		TOTAL	ACCRUED (UNEARNED)			ACCRUED (UNEARNED)	PASSED THROUGH
FEDERAL ORANITOR PROJECT TITLE	SOURCE	ALN	BEGINNING/	GRANT	RECEIVED	REVENUE	REVENUE	CURRENT YEAR	REVENUE	TO SUB-
FEDERAL GRANTOR PROJECT TITLE	CODE	NUMBER	ENDING DATES	AMOUNT	FOR YEAR	06/30/22	RECOGNIZED	EXPENDITURES	06/30/23	RECIPIENTS
U.S. Department of Education										
Passed through Delaware Department of Education										
Perkins Consolidated Grant - Career Tech	I	84.048	07/01/21-11/30/23	42,838	24,017	-	24,017	24,017	-	-
Perkins Consolidated Grant - Career Tech	I	84.048	07/01/22-11/30/23	33,159	1,583		1,583	1,583		
Total ALN #84.048					25,600		25,600	25,600		
Education Stabilization Fund	1	84.425D	07/01/20-11/30/23	878,253	107,636	-	107,636	107,636	-	-
Education Stabilization Fund	1	84.425D	07/01/22-11/30/24	1,997,363	588,179	-	588,179	588,179	-	-
Education Stabilization Fund	I	84.425D	07/01/22-12/31/24	17,754	2,560	-	2,560	2,560	-	-
Education Stabilization Fund	I	84.425D	07/01/22-12/31/24	8,029	572	-	572	572	-	-
Total ALN #84.425					698,947		698,947	698,947	_	-
Total U.S. Department of Education					1,558,842	80,677	1,480,570	1,480,570	2,405	-
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TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS					\$ 2,194,665	\$ 80,677	\$ 2,116,393	\$ 2,116,393	\$ 2,405	\$ -

SOURCE CODE:

I = Indirect funding

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY NEWARK, DELAWARE

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

NOTE A BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

All expenditures included in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are presented on the basis that expenditures are reported to the respective federal grantor agencies. Accordingly, expenditures are recorded when the federal obligation is determined.

NOTE B FEDERAL EXPENDITURES

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards reflects federal expenditures for all individual grants which were active during the fiscal year.

NOTE C INDIRECT COST RATE

The School has not elected to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance. For the year ended June 30, 2023, there were no indirect costs included in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECO	MMENDATIONS

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY NEWARK, DELAWARE

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

PART A - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements Type of auditor's report issued [unmodified, qualified, adverse, or disclaimer]: Unmodified Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness(es) identified? Yes X No Significant deficiency(ies) identified? Yes X None reported Noncompliance material to financial Yes statements noted? X No Federal Awards Internal control over major program: Material weakness(es) identified? X No Yes Significant deficiency(ies) identified? Yes X None reported Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major program [unmodified, qualified, adverse, or disclaimer]: Unmodified Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance Yes X No with the Uniform Guidance? Identification of major program: Assistance Listing Number Name of Federal Program or Cluster 84.425D Education Stabilization Fund Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: \$ 750,000 Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? X Yes No

LAS AMÉRICAS ASPIRA ACADEMY NEWARK, DELAWARE

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (cont'd)

PART B - FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS
None.	
	CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
None.	
PART C - FINDINGS REL	_ATED TO FEDERAL AWARDS
	STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS
None.	
	CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
None.	