

**WESTERN ACADEMY, INC. D/B/A WESTERN  
ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
ROYAL PALM BEACH, FLORIDA**  
(A component unit of the School District of Palm Beach  
County, Florida)

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, INDEPENDENT  
AUDITOR'S REPORT, AND SUPPLEMENTAL  
INFORMATION**

**JUNE 30, 2021**

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL**  
**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**  
**JUNE 30, 2021**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors  
Western Academy Charter School, Inc.  
Royal Palm Beach, Florida

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, and each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Western Academy Charter School, Inc. ("WACS", the "School"), a charter school as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### *Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements*

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

### *Auditor's Responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

## ***Opinions***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the School, as of June 30, 2021, 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.

## ***Other Matters***

### ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 8, budgetary comparison information on pages 28 through 29, and the FRS and HIS Schedules of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and Contributions on pages 30 through 31 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### ***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 24, 2021, 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 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 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.



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida  
September 24, 2021

## Management's Discussion and Analysis

Western Academy Charter School, Inc.

June 30, 2021

The corporate officers of Western Academy Charter School, Inc. ("WACS", the "School") have prepared this narrative overview and analysis of the School's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

1. The assets of the School exceeded its liabilities at June 30, 2021 by \$1,330,649 (net position).
2. At year-end, the School had current assets of \$2,531,774 vs. current liabilities of \$181,393 for a current ratio of approximately 14x.
3. WACS fund balance increased by \$1,004,879 for the year ending June 30, 2021, and its fund balance was \$2,724,103.

#### *Overview of the Financial Statements*

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the School's basic financial statements. The School's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2021 are presented in accordance with GASB Codification Section 2200. The financial statements have three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

#### *Government-Wide Financial Statements*

The *Government-Wide Financial Statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the School's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all of the School's assets and liabilities. The difference between the two is reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as an indicator of whether the financial position of the School is improving or deteriorating.

The *Statement of Activities* presents information on how the School's net position changed during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event resulting in the change occurs, without regard to the timing of related cash flows. Accordingly, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9 – 10 of this report.

#### *Fund Financial Statements*

A "fund" is a collection of related accounts grouped to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities, projects, or objectives. The School, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and report compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

All of the funds of the School are governmental funds. *Governmental Funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

Governmental Fund financial statements, however, focus on *near-term* inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on the balances of spendable resources which are available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be used to evaluate a government's requirements for near-term financing.

Prior to the start of the School's fiscal year, the Board of the School adopts an annual budget for all of its governmental funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the School's governmental funds to demonstrate compliance with the School's budget. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11 - 14 of this report.

#### *Notes to Financial Statements*

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 15 - 27 of this report.

### **GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

As noted earlier, over time net position may serve as a useful indicator of a School's financial position. A summary of the School's net position as of June 30, 2021 and 2020 follows:

<b>Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Cash	\$ 2,371,904	\$ 1,999,306
Accounts receivable	152,670	27,548
Deposits receivable and other assets	15,210	42,314
Capital assets, net	803,535	911,269
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>721,559</u>	<u>730,852</u>
Total Assets and deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 4,064,878</u>	<u>\$ 3,711,289</u>
<b>Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position</b>		
Accounts and wages payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 181,393	\$ 207,555
Net pension liability	2,447,285	2,131,008
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>105,551</u>	<u>141,638</u>
Total Liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	<u>\$ 2,734,229</u>	<u>\$ 2,480,201</u>
Net investment in capital assets	803,535	911,269
Deficit in accounting for net pension liability/Deferred outflows	(1,831,277)	(1,541,794)
Unrestricted	2,330,591	1,838,813
Restricted	<u>27,800</u>	<u>22,800</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 1,330,649</u>	<u>\$ 1,231,088</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position	<u>\$ 4,064,878</u>	<u>\$ 3,711,289</u>

At June 30, 2021, the School's total assets and deferred outflows of resources were \$4,064,878 and total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources were \$2,734,229. At June 30, 2021, the School reported total net position of \$1,330,649.



A summary and analysis of the School's revenues and expenses for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 follows:

<b>REVENUES</b>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Program Revenues		
Federal passed through local schools	\$ 280,245	\$ 31,895
Capital outlay funding	263,476	267,458
Charges for services	99,874	182,585
General Revenues		
State through local school district	3,908,537	3,831,768
Fundraising and other revenue	584,376	98,144
Total Revenues	<u>\$5,136,508</u>	<u>\$4,411,850</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Instruction	\$3,103,583	\$2,766,530
Pupil personnel services	213	2,127
Instructional staff training services	6,640	16,622
Board	32,028	20,094
General administrative	37,502	35,802
School administration	613,063	583,539
Facilities acquisition and construction	69,844	70,035
Fiscal services	16,551	15,445
Operation of plant	877,539	785,077
Maintenance of plant	44,428	39,858
Administrative technology services	124,779	94,942
Community services	110,777	121,104
Total Expenses	<u>\$5,036,947</u>	<u>\$4,551,175</u>
Change in Net Position	99,561	(139,325)
<b>Net Position at Beginning of Year</b>	<u>1,231,088</u>	<u>1,370,413</u>
<b>Net Position at End of Year</b>	<u>\$1,330,649</u>	<u>\$1,231,088</u>

The 2020-2021 school year was WACS 18<sup>th</sup> year of operations. The School's total revenues for the year ended June 30, 2021 were \$5,136,508 while its total expenses were \$5,036,947 for a net increase in its net position of \$99,561.

Total expenses include the following non-cash adjustments: depreciation expense of \$111,867, which is included in facilities, acquisition, construction and operation of plant, and a non-cash adjustment of \$289,484 to the School's net pension liability as a result of their participation in the Florida Retirement System (FRS) pension, which is included in instruction. The School's total revenues increased by approximately \$725,000 due primarily to the forgiveness of the Payroll Protection Program of \$508,100 included in other income.

## **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Western Academy Charter School (“WACS”, the “School”) remained an “A” rated school for the 15<sup>th</sup> year in a row.

In addition, Western Academy Charter School has achieved the following:

- STEAM Academy in Middle School
- Project CHILD National Demonstration Site since 2011
- Florida Five Star Charter School in Palm Beach County since 2010
- FDOE High Performing Charter School since 2011
- A Member of Prime Time Quality Improvement System
- Palm Beach County Green School of Excellence

## **SCHOOL LOCATION**

The School operates in the City of Royal Palm Beach and is located at 650 Royal Palm Beach Blvd., Suite 400, Royal Palm Beach, Florida 33411.

## **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REQUIREMENT**

The School maintains a continuous capital improvements program to enhance facilities and update fixtures and equipment as required.

## **FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT’S FUND**

As noted earlier, the School uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

## **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

The focus of the School’s *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the School’s financing requirements. In particular, *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government’s net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the fiscal year, WACS’s governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$2,724,103 with a positive net change in fund balance of \$1,004,879, for the year ended June 30, 2021.

## **CAPITAL ASSETS**

The School’s investment in capital assets, as of June 30, 2021, amounts to \$803,535 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes leasehold improvements, furniture, fixtures and equipment.

## GOVERNMENTAL FUND BUDGET ANALYSIS

Prior to the start of the School's fiscal year, the Board of the School adopted an annual budget. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the governmental funds to demonstrate compliance with the School's budget.

	All Governmental Funds		
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>			
State passed through local	\$ 3,708,332	\$ 3,889,341	\$ 3,908,537
State capital outlay funding	265,000	265,000	263,476
Federal passed through local school district	40,908	64,772	280,245
Charges for services and other grants	180,000	227,056	99,874
Other income	63,500	63,500	584,376
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 4,257,740</b>	<b>\$ 4,509,669</b>	<b>\$ 5,136,508</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Instruction	\$ 2,663,713	\$ 2,906,496	\$ 2,814,100
Pupil personnel services	2,550	25,150	213
Instructional staff training services	15,000	15,000	6,640
General administrative	36,356	36,356	37,502
Board	25,968	30,968	32,028
School administration	572,148	610,043	613,063
Facilities acquisition and construction	9,210	9,210	4,133
Fiscal services	15,865	16,865	16,551
Operation of plant	851,306	875,432	835,515
Maintenance of plant	35,000	50,000	44,428
Administrative technology services	108,955	119,697	124,779
Community services	145,622	147,678	110,777
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 4,481,693</b>	<b>\$ 4,842,895</b>	<b>\$ 4,639,729</b>
Other financing sources	225,000	508,100	508,100
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ 1,047</u>	<u>\$ 174,874</u>	<u>\$ 1,004,879</u>

## REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is intended to provide a general overview of the finances of the School. Requests for additional information may be addressed to Western Academy, Inc., located at 650 Royal Palm Beach Blvd., Suite 400, Royal Palm Beach, Florida 33411.

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2021**

Governmental  
Activities

**ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,371,904
Accounts receivable	152,670
Prepaid expenses	<u>7,200</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	2,531,774
<b>CAPITAL ASSETS</b>	
Improvements other than buildings	1,430,649
Less accumulated depreciation	(692,600)
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	299,090
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(233,604)</u>
Total capital assets, net	803,535
Deposit receivable and other assets	<u>8,010</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Deferred outflows of resources FRS/HIS	<u>721,559</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>721,559</u>
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	<u><u>\$ 4,064,878</u></u>

**LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION**

<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 57,292
Accrued wages payable	<u>124,101</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	181,393
Net pension liability	<u>2,447,285</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,628,678
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Deferred inflows of resources FRS/HIS	<u>105,551</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>105,551</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	803,535
Deficit in accounting for net pension liability/deferred	
Outflows and inflows of resources	(1,831,277)
Unrestricted	2,330,591
Restricted	<u>27,800</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	1,330,649
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION	<u><u>\$ 4,064,878</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

Functions	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense)/ Revenue and Changes in Net Assets	
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions		Capital Grants and Contributions
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Instruction	\$ 3,103,583	\$ -	\$ 63,290	\$ -	\$ (3,040,293)
Pupil personnel services	213	-	-	-	(213)
Instructional staff training services	6,640	-	-	-	(6,640)
Board	32,028	-	-	-	(32,028)
General administrative	37,502	-	-	-	(37,502)
School administration	613,063	-	-	-	(613,063)
Facilities acquisition and construction	69,844	-	-	-	(69,844)
Fiscal services	16,551	-	-	-	(16,551)
Operation of plant	877,539	-	216,955	263,476	(397,108)
Maintenance of plant	44,428	-	-	-	(44,428)
Administrative technology services	124,779	-	-	-	(124,779)
Community services	110,777	99,874	-	-	(10,903)
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$ 5,036,947</b>	<b>\$ 99,874</b>	<b>\$ 280,245</b>	<b>\$ 263,476</b>	<b>\$ (4,393,352)</b>
<b>GENERAL REVENUES:</b>					
					\$ 3,908,537
					45,773
					14,467
					524,136
					<u>4,492,913</u>
					99,561
					<u>1,231,088</u>
					<u>\$ 1,330,649</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
BALANCE SHEET- GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2021**

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	<u>Governmental Fund</u>
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,371,904
Accounts receivable	152,670
Prepaid expenses	7,200
Deposit receivable and other assets	8,010
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 2,539,784</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 57,292
Accrued wages payable	124,101
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>181,393</u>
FUND BALANCE	
Nonspendable	
Deposit receivable and other assets	15,210
Unassigned	2,315,381
Restricted	27,800
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	<u>2,358,391</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	<u>\$ 2,539,784</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT  
OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2021**

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Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds \$ 2,358,391

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

Capital assets net of accumulated depreciation used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund.

Capital assets	1,729,739
Accumulated depreciation	(926,204)

Accounting for the School's participation in the FRS - the following amounts are reported in the Government-Wide Statements:

Deferred Outflows	721,559
Deferred Inflows	(105,551)
Net Pension Liability	(2,447,285)

Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 1,330,649</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE-  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	Governmental Funds	Capital Projects Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>				
State passed through local	\$ 3,908,537	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,908,537
State capital outlay funding	-	263,476	-	263,476
Federal passed through local school district	-	-	280,245	280,245
Charges for services and other grants	99,874	-	-	99,874
Other income	584,376	-	-	584,376
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>4,592,787</b>	<b>263,476</b>	<b>280,245</b>	<b>5,136,508</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
Instruction	2,242,710	-	571,390	2,814,100
Pupil support services	213	-	-	213
Instructional staff training services	6,640	-	-	6,640
Board	32,028	-	-	32,028
General administrative	37,502	-	-	37,502
School administration	613,063	-	-	613,063
Fiscal services	16,551	-	-	16,551
Operation of plant	355,084	263,476	216,955	835,515
Maintenance of plant	44,428	-	-	44,428
Administrative technology services	124,779	-	-	124,779
Community services	110,777	-	-	110,777
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>				
Other capital outlay	4,133	-	-	4,133
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>3,587,908</b>	<b>263,476</b>	<b>788,345</b>	<b>4,639,729</b>
Excess (Deficit) of revenues over expenditures	1,004,879	-	(508,100)	496,779
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>				
Proceeds from long-term financing	-	-	508,100	508,100
Total other financing sources	-	-	508,100	508,100
Excess of revenues over expenditures	1,004,879	-	-	1,004,879
Fund balance at beginning of year	1,719,224	-	-	1,719,224
Fund balance at end of year	<b>\$ 2,724,103</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,724,103</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.



**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

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Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds \$ 1,004,879

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, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.

Capital outlays	4,133
Depreciation expense	(111,867)

The proceeds from loans provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. Repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds.

Extinguishment of debt	(508,100)
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Accounting for WACS's participation in the Florida Retirement System: Pension liability adjustment expense

	(289,484)
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Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 99,561
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

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**NOTE 1 – ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS**

**Reporting Entity**

Western Academy Charter School, (“WACS”) operates as a charter school pursuant to a charter school contract with the School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida and is sponsored by its charter-holder, Western Academy, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, organized pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. The governing body of WACS is the Board of Directors which is comprised of six members.

The general operating authority of Western Academy Charter School (“WACS”, the “School”) is contained in Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. The School operates under a charter of the sponsoring school district, the District School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida (the “School Board”). The current charter is effective until June 30, 2023. At the end of the term of the charter, the School Board may choose not to renew the charter under grounds specified in the charter, in which case the School Board is required to notify the School in writing at least 90 days prior to the School’s expiration. During the term of the charter, the School Board may also terminate the charter if good cause is shown. The charter may be renewed by mutual agreement.

These financial statements are for the year ended June 30, 2021, where an average of 520 students were enrolled in grades Pre-Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Presentation**

Based on the guidance provided in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Audit and Accounting Guide – Audits per State and Local Governments and provisions of Florida Statutes, the School is presented as a governmental organization for financial statement reporting purposes under standards set by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”).

**Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

*Government-wide Financial Statements*

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. These statements report information for the School as a whole. Both statements report only governmental activities as the School does not engage in any business type activities. These statements do not include fiduciary funds.

The statement of activities reports the expenses of a given function offset by program revenues directly connected with the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expenses and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity. Program revenues include: (1) charges for services which report fees, (2) operating grants and contributions which finance annual operating activities, and (3) capital grants and contributions which fund the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of capital assets. These revenues are subject to externally imposed restrictions to these program uses. Other revenue sources not properly included with program revenues are reported as general revenues.

*Fund Financial Statements*

Fund financial statements are provided for governmental funds. The operations of the funds are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, equity, revenues and expenditures. Major individual governmental funds, namely, the general, special revenue and capital project funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements:

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NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

**Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)**

General Fund – is the School’s primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Capital Projects Fund – used to account for financial resources used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities and for the proceeds and related expenditures of charter school capital outlay funding.

Special Revenue Fund – used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specific purposes other than debt service and capital projects.

**Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation**

The financial statements of the School are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The School’s reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidelines*.

The government-wide statements report 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. Revenues from non-exchange transactions are reported according to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification Section 1600.111 and Section N50 “*Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-Exchange Transactions*”. On the accrual basis, revenues from grants and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements report using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. The School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 90 days of the end of the fiscal year. Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) revenues are recognized when received. A one-year availability period is used for revenue recognition for all other governmental fund revenues. When grant terms provide that the expenditure of funds is the prime factor for determining eligibility for federal, state, and other grant funds, revenue is recognized at the time the expenditure is made. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for long-term debt principal and interest which are reported as expenditures in the year due.

**Budgetary Basis Accounting**

Budgets are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the object level (e.g., salaries, purchased services, and capital outlay). Any revisions to the annual budget are approved by the board.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include money market accounts and certificates of deposit with original maturities of three months or less.

Accounts receivable

Accounts receivable consists of after school care fees pending to be collected. Any bad debts are expensed in the subsequent period when they are determined to be uncollectible.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

**Budgetary Basis Accounting (Continued)**

Capital Assets, Depreciation and Amortization

Capital assets purchased or acquired are carried at historical cost or estimated historical cost. The School capitalization levels are \$1,000 on tangible personal property. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. When capital assets are disposed, the costs and applicable accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in operations. Estimated useful lives, in years, for depreciable assets are as follows:

Furniture and equipment	5-10 Years
Building improvements	20 Years

Compensated Absences

The School grants a specific number of paid time off days (PTO). Full-time employees employed after June 30, 2010 are eligible for one day per month to up to ten PTO days of active work during the ten-month period (a “benefit year”). Full-time employees employed prior to June 30, 2010, can accrue an additional five PTO days for a grand total of fifteen days. Unused PTO days are not eligible to be rolled over into the next school year nor to be cashed out at the end of the school year.

GASB Codification Section C60, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*, provides that compensated absences that are contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee should be accounted for in the period those events take place. Accordingly, these financial statements do not include an accrual for compensated days available to be used in future benefit years.

Government-wide Fund Net Position

Government-wide fund net position are divided into three components:

- Net investment in capital assets – consists of the historical cost capital assets less accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition or improvement of those assets plus deferred outflows of resources less deferred inflows of resources. The net investment in capital assets for the year ending June 30, 2021, was \$803,535.
- Restricted net assets – consists of net assets with constraints placed on their use either by external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments less related liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. The restricted net position for the year ending June 30, 2021 was \$27,800.
- Unrestricted – all other net position is reported in this category, including amounts due from affiliates and charter schools.

Governmental Fund Balances

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

- Nonspendable – fund balance associated with inventories, prepaid expenses, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed, or assigned). At June 30, 2021, the School had \$15,210 in nonspendable fund balance.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Governmental Fund Balances (Continued)

- Restricted – fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation. At June 30, 2021, there is \$27,800.
- Committed – fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the School’s Board of Directors. At June 30, 2021, there is no committed fund balance.
- Assigned – fund balance classification are intended to be used by the School’s management for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. At June 30, 2021, there is no assigned fund balance.
- Unassigned – fund balance is the residual classification for the School’s general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

Order of Fund Balance Spending Policy

The School’s policy is to apply expenditures against non-spendable fund balance, restricted fund balance, committed fund balance at the end of the fiscal year by adjusting journal entries. First non-spendable fund balances are determined. Then restricted fund balances for specific purposes are determined (not including non-spendable amounts). Then any remaining fund balance amounts for the non-general funds are classified as restricted fund balance. It is possible for the non-general funds to have negative unassigned fund balance when non-spendable amounts plus the restricted fund balances for specific purposes amounts exceed the positive fund balance for the non-general fund. As of June 30, 2021, there are no minimum fund balance requirements for any of the School’s funds.

Revenue Sources

Revenues for operations will be received primarily from the District School Board of Palm Beach County (the “School Board”) pursuant to the funding provisions included in WACS’s charter. In accordance with the funding provisions of the charter and Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes, the School will report the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the School Board. Under the provisions of Section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, the School Board reports the number of the full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) for funding through the Florida Education Finance Program. Funding for the School is adjusted during the year to reflect the revised calculations by the FDOE under the Florida Education Finance Program and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students reported by the School during the designated full-time equivalent student survey periods. In addition, the School receives an annual allocation of charter school capital outlay funds for leasing of School facilities.

The School may also receive federal awards for the enhancement of various educational programs. Federal awards are generally received based on applications submitted to and approved by various granting agencies. For federal awards in which a claim to these grant proceeds is based on incurring eligible expenditures, revenue is recognized to the extent that eligible expenditures have been incurred. Any excess amounts are recorded as deferred revenues until expensed. Additionally, other revenues may be derived from various fundraising activities and certain other programs.

Income Taxes

The School qualifies as a tax exempt organization under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and is, therefore, exempt from income tax. Accordingly, no tax provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

**Budgetary Basis Accounting (Continued)**

Use of Estimates

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

Subsequent Events

The School has evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through September 24, 2021, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 3 – CAPITAL ASSETS

The following schedule provides a summary of changes in capital assets, acquired substantially with public funds, for the year ended June 30, 2021:

	Balance			Balance
	July 1, 2020	Additions	Disposals	June 30, 2021
Capital Assets				
Leasehold improvements	\$ 1,430,650	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,430,650
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	294,956	4,133	-	299,089
Total Capital Assets	<u>1,725,606</u>	<u>4,133</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,729,739</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation				
Leasehold improvements	(622,757)	(69,843)	-	(692,600)
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	(191,580)	(42,024)	-	(233,604)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(814,337)</u>	<u>(111,867)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(926,204)</u>
Capital Assets, net	<u>\$ 911,269</u>	<u>\$ (107,734)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 803,535</u>

Depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2021, was \$111,867, of which \$69,844 was charged to facilities, acquisition, and construction, and \$42,023 was charged to operation of plant in the statement of activities.

NOTE 4 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

WACS entered into two separate operating lease agreements for its facilities expiring on June 30, 2023. In addition, WACS entered into an equipment lease expiring in July 2022. Rent expense for the year ended June 30, 2021 was \$504,169.

Estimated future minimum lease payments are as follows:

	<u>Year Ended June 30</u>
2022	\$ 509,510
2023	501,859
Total	<u>\$ 1,011,369</u>

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**NOTE 5 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN**

**Reporting Entity**

The Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement (division), is part of the primary government of the state of Florida and is responsible for administering the Florida Retirement System Pension Plan and Other State-Administered Systems (system). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the division administered two cost-sharing, multiple employer defined benefit plans, one single employer defined benefit plan, two defined contribution plans, a supplemental funding of defined benefit plans for municipal police officers and firefighters, and various general revenue funded pension programs. The division issued a publicly-available, audited comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) on behalf of the system that includes financial statements, notes and required supplementary information for each of the pension plans. Detailed information about the plans is provided in the CAFR which is available online or by contacting the division (see Note 6).

**Cost-Sharing Defined Benefit Plans**

As required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* (GASB 68), this report includes the allocation of the collective net pension liability and associated pension expense, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources for each of the participating employers in the system’s cost-sharing, multiple employer defined benefit plans:

- The Florida Retirement System (FRS) Pension Plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer qualified defined benefit pension plan with a Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) available for eligible employees. The FRS was established and is administered in accordance with Chapter 121, Florida Statutes. The Florida Legislature establishes and amends the contribution requirements and benefit terms of the FRS Pension Plan. Retirees receive a lifetime pension benefit with joint and survivor payment options. FRS membership is compulsory for employees filling regularly established positions in a state agency, county agency, state university, state community college, or district school board, unless restricted from FRS membership under sections 121.053 and 121.122, Florida Statutes, or allowed to participate in a non-integrated defined contribution plan in lieu of FRS membership. Participation by cities, municipalities, special districts, charter schools and metropolitan planning organizations is optional.
- The Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The Florida Legislature establishes and amends the contribution requirements and benefit terms of the HIS Program. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of the state-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment equal to the number of years of service credited at retirement multiplied by \$5. The minimum payment is \$30 and the maximum payment is \$150 per month, pursuant to section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under one of the state-administered retirement systems must provide proof of eligible health insurance coverage, which may include Medicare.

Over 1,000 participating employers are served by the two defined benefit plans. Of these, more than 900 employers, referred to as reporting employers, report payroll and remit contributions to the division for their covered employees and, in some cases, for the covered employees of associated participating employers.

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NOTE 5 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (Continued)

**Basis of Accounting**

Employers participating in the FRS Pension Plan and HIS Program are required to report pension information in their financial statements for fiscal periods beginning on or after June 15, 2014, in accordance with GASB 68. The Schedules of Employer Allocations and Schedules of Pension Amounts by Employer (pension allocation schedules) and notes to the schedules, along with the system's CAFR, provide employers with the required information for reporting.

The underlying financial information used to prepare the pension allocation schedules is based on the system's records. The financial statements for the cost-sharing defined benefit plans are prepared using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting and are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The system's financial statements are available online or by contacting the division (see Note 6). There have been no significant changes since the publication of the financial statements.

**Employer Contributions**

Contributions are recognized as revenues in the period for which the contributions are due pursuant to statutory and contractual requirements. Employee contributions required pursuant to section 121.71(3), Florida Statutes, are accounted for by the FRS as employer-paid employee contributions and are treated as employer contributions under 26 U.S.C. s. 414(h)(2) allowing these contributions to be deducted on a pre-tax basis. Pension expense reported in the pension allocation schedules is reduced by these amounts.

Total employer contributions are determined on a uniform basis (blended rate) as required by Part III of Chapter 121, Florida Statutes. Employer contributions reflected in the financial statements and in the pension allocation schedules for the cost-sharing defined benefit plans represent contributions specific to each defined benefit plan and do not equal total blended contributions remitted by the employer.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of these schedules, and the associated financial statements, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and changes therein, including appropriate disclosures at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Restatement**

The fiduciary net position for the FRS Pension Plan increased at July 1, 2019, and the net pension liability decreased at June 30, 2020, by \$940,602 due to a restatement as a result of a correction to an interfund receivable.



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NOTE 5 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (Continued)

**Net Pension Liability**

The components of the collective net pension liability of the participating employers for each defined benefit plan for the measurement date of June 30, 2020, are shown below:

	<u>FRS</u>	<u>HIS</u>
Total Pension Liability	\$ 7,687,603	\$ 846,683
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	<u>(6,061,560)</u>	<u>(25,441)</u>
Net Pension Liability	<u>\$ 1,626,043</u>	<u>\$ 821,242</u>

Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	78.85%	3.00%
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The total pension liability for the FRS was determined by the plan’s actuary and reported in the plan’s GASB 67 valuation as of June 30, 2020. The fiduciary net position used by the actuary to determine the net pension liability (as shown above) was determined on the same basis used by the plan. The fiduciary net position is reported in the financial statements and the net pension liability is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. Update procedures were not used.

The total pension liability for the HIS was determined by the plan’s actuary and reported in the plan’s GASB 67 valuation as of June 30, 2020. The fiduciary net position used by the actuary to determine the net pension liability (as shown above) was determined on the same basis used by the plan. The fiduciary net position is reported in the financial statements and the net pension liability is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

**Basis for Allocation**

The employer’s proportionate share reported in the pension allocation schedules was calculated using accrued retirement contributions related to the reporting periods included in the system’s fiscal years ended June 30, 2013, through June 30, 2020, for employers that were members of the FRS and HIS during those fiscal years. For fiscal years ended June 30, 2015, through June 30, 2020, in addition to contributions from employers, the required accrued contributions for the division (paid on behalf of the division’s employees who administer the plans) were allocated to each employer on a proportional basis. The division administers the plans, and therefore, cannot allocate a portion of the liability to itself. Although GASB 68 encourages the use of the employers’ projected long-term contribution effort to the retirement plan, allocating on the basis of historical employer contributions is acceptable. The aggregate employer contribution amounts for each fiscal year agree to the employer contribution amounts reported in the system’s CAFR for that fiscal year.

The proportion calculated based on contributions for each of the fiscal years presented in the pension allocation schedules was applied to the net pension liability and other pension amounts applicable to that fiscal year to determine each employer’s proportionate share of the liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and associated pension expense.

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**NOTE 5 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (Continued)**

For the purposes of the pension allocation schedules, pension amounts are allocated to reporting employers. The pension amounts of participating employers whose payrolls are reported and contributions are remitted by another entity are included in the reporting employer’s amounts and will be allocated to the participating employer by the reporting employer.

**Actuarial Methods and Assumptions**

The Florida Retirement System (FRS) Actuarial Assumption Conference is responsible for setting the assumptions used in the funding valuations of the defined benefit pension plan pursuant to section 216.136(10), Florida Statutes. The division determines the assumptions in the valuations for GASB 67 reporting purposes. The FRS Pension Plan’s GASB 67 valuation is performed annually. The HIS Program has a valuation performed biennially that is updated for GASB reporting in the year a valuation is not performed. The most recent experience study for the FRS Pension Plan was completed in 2019 for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2018. Because the HIS Program is funded on a pay-as-you-go basis, no experience study has been completed for that program. The actuarial assumptions that determined the total pension liability for the HIS Program were based on certain results of the most recent experience study for the FRS Pension Plan.

The total pension liability for each cost-sharing defined benefit plan was determined using the individual entry age actuarial cost method. Inflation increases for both plans is assumed at 2.40%. Payroll growth, including inflation, for both plans is assumed at 3.25%. Both the discount rate and the long-term expected rate of return used for FRS Pension Plan investments is 6.80%. The plan’s fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return.

Because the HIS Program uses a pay-as-you-go funding structure, a municipal bond rate of 2.21% was used to determine the total pension liability for the program (Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index). Mortality assumptions for both the FRS Pension Plan and the HIS Program were based on the PUB-2010 base table, (refer to the valuation reports for more information – see Note 6).

The following changes in actuarial assumptions occurred in 2020:

- FRS: The long-term expected rate of return was decreased from 6.90% to 6.80%.
- HIS: The municipal bond rate used to determine total pension liability was decreased from 3.50% to 2.21%, and the mortality assumption was changed from the Generational RP-2000 with Projection Scale BB tables to the PUB-2010 base table, projected generationally with Scale MP-2018.

**Sensitivity Analysis**

The following tables demonstrate the sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The sensitivity analysis shows the impact to the collective net pension liability of the participating employers if the discount rate was 1.00% higher or 1.00% lower than the current discount rate at June 30, 2020.

**FRS Net Pension Liability**

	Current	
1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase
5.80%	6.80%	7.80%
\$ 2,596,517	\$ 1,626,043	\$ 815,499

**HIS Net Pension Liability**

	Current	
1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase
1.21%	2.21%	3.21%
\$ 949,276	\$ 821,242	\$ 716,379

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NOTE 5 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (Continued)

**Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

In accordance with GASB 68, paragraphs 54 and 71, changes in the net pension liability are recognized in pension expense in the current measurement period, except as indicated below. For each of the following, a portion is recognized in pension expense in the current reporting period, and the balance is amortized as deferred outflows or deferred inflows of resources using a systematic and rational method over a closed period, as defined below:

- Differences between expected and actual experience with regard to economic and demographic factors – amortized over the average expected remaining service life of all employees that are provided with pensions through the pension plan (active and inactive employees)
- Changes of assumptions or other inputs – amortized over the average expected remaining service life of all employees that are provided with pensions through the pension plan (active and inactive employees)
- Changes in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions - amortized over the average expected remaining service life of all employees that are provided with pensions through the pension plan (active and inactive employees)
- Differences between expected and actual earnings on pension plan investments – amortized over five years

Employer contributions to the pension plans from employers are not included in collective pension expense; however, employee contributions are used to reduce pension expense.

The average expected remaining service life of all employees provided with pensions through the pension plans at June 30, 2020, was 5.9 years for FRS and 7.2 years for HIS. The components of collective pension expense reported in the pension allocation schedules for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, are presented below for each plan.

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**NOTE 5 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (Continued)  
Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources (Continued)**

Florida Retirement System (FRS)

Description	Recognized in Expense Fiscal Year Ending 2020	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Service Cost	\$ 99,325	\$ -	\$ -
Interest Cost	504,939	-	-
Effect of plan changes	-	-	-
Effect of economic/demographic gains or loss (difference between expected and actual experience)	30,432	62,232	-
Effect of assumptions changes or inputs	102,694	294,366	-
Member contributions	(28,080)	-	-
Projected investment earnings	(414,092)	-	-
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	-	81,175	(42,523)
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	45,456	96,816	-
Administrative expenses	809	-	-
Total	\$ 341,483	\$ 534,589	\$ (42,523)

Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS)

Description	Recognized in Expense Fiscal Year Ending 2020	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Service Cost	\$ 17,858	\$ -	\$ -
Interest Cost	27,085	-	-
Effect of plan changes	-	-	-
Effect of economic/demographic gains or loss (difference between expected and actual experience)	5,697	33,592	(634)
Effect of assumptions changes or inputs	17,485	88,303	(47,750)
Member contributions	(25)	-	-
Projected investment earnings	(794)	-	-
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	-	64,419	(14,644)
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	266	656	-
Administrative expenses	12	-	-
Total	\$ 67,584	\$ 186,970	\$ (63,028)

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NOTE 5 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (Continued)

**Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources (Continued)**

Deferred outflows of resources related to employer contributions paid subsequent to the measurement date and prior to the employer’s fiscal year end will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the subsequent reporting period. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension expense will be recognized as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	FRS Expense	HIS Expense
2021	\$ 67,780	\$ 22,194
2022	\$ 67,780	\$ 22,194
2023	\$ 196,165	\$ 22,117
2024	\$ 134,254	\$ 22,080
2025	\$ 19,747	\$ 19,103
Thereafter	\$ 6,341	\$ 16,255

NOTE 6 – ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL AND ACTUARIAL INFORMATION

Additional audited financial information supporting the Schedules of Employer Allocations and the Schedules of Pension Amounts by Employer is located in the Florida Retirement System Pension Plan and Other State-Administered Systems CAFR for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. The system’s CAFR and the actuarial valuation reports referenced herein are available online at:

[http://www.dms.myflorida.com/workforce\\_operations/retirement/publications](http://www.dms.myflorida.com/workforce_operations/retirement/publications)

The System’s CAFR and actuarial reports may also be obtained by contacting the Division of Retirement at:

Department of Management Services  
Division of Retirement  
Research and Education Section  
PO Box 9000  
Tallahassee, FL 32315-9000  
850-488-5706 or toll free at 877-377-1737

NOTE 7 – PAYROLL PROTECTION PROGRAM

Western Academy, Inc. received loan proceeds of \$508,100 through the Paycheck Protection Program (“PPP”). The loan proceeds are to be used for payroll, rent, utilities, and interest expense. The loan and accrued interest are forgivable in whole or in part if used for the qualifying purposes as noted above. The note payable was forgiven during the year ended June 30, 2021 and was included in other income on the statement of activities.

NOTE 8 – DEPOSITS POLICY AND CREDIT RISK

It is the School’s policy to maintain its cash and cash equivalents in major banks and in high grade investments at one financial institution. As of June 30, 2021, the School’s deposits consisted of cash balances of \$1,878,327, and the carrying amount of the School’s cash deposit accounts totaled \$2,371,904. All cash deposits are held in a bank that qualifies as a public depository under Florida law. All such deposits are insured by federal depository insurance and/or collateralized with securities held in Florida’s multiple financial institution collateral pool as required by Chapter 280, Florida Statutes.

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

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**NOTE 9 – GRANTS**

In the normal course of operations, the School receives grant funds from various federal, state and local agencies. The grant programs are subject to audit by agents of the granting authority, the purpose of which is to ensure compliance with conditions precedent to the granting of funds. Any liability for reimbursement which may arise as the result of these audits is not reflected in these financial statements.

**NOTE 10 – RISK MANAGEMENT**

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions and natural disasters for which the School carries commercial insurance. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage in the past. In addition, there were no reductions in insurance coverage from those in the prior year. The School does not sponsor a public entity risk pool and has had no settlements that have exceeded their insurance coverage.

**NOTE 11 – LITIGATION**

The School is subject to claims and lawsuits in the ordinary course of its business. In the opinion of management, the School has adequate legal defenses and/or adequate indemnification or insurance coverage for such matters. Accordingly, management believes that such matters will not, in the aggregate, have a material adverse impact upon the School's financials position, results of future operations or cash flows.

**NOTE 12 – OTHER MATTERS**

As the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus continues worldwide, economic uncertainties have arisen that are likely to impact the School's financial results. While management expects this impact to be temporary, the severity and duration of the impact is uncertain at this time.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET  
AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	General Fund		
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>			
State passed through local	\$ 3,708,332	\$ 3,889,341	\$ 3,908,537
Charges for services and other grants	180,000	227,056	99,874
Other income	63,500	63,500	584,376
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 3,951,832</b>	<b>\$ 4,179,897</b>	<b>\$ 4,592,787</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Instruction	\$ 2,622,805	\$ 2,351,609	\$ 2,242,710
Pupil support services	2,550	25,150	213
Instructional staff training services	15,000	15,000	6,640
General administrative	36,356	36,356	37,502
School board	25,968	30,968	32,028
School administration	572,148	610,043	613,063
Facilities acquisitions and construction	9,210	-	4,133
Fiscal services	15,865	16,865	16,551
Operation of plant	586,306	601,657	355,084
Maintenance of plant	35,000	50,000	44,428
Administrative technology services	108,955	119,697	124,779
Community services	145,622	147,678	110,777
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 4,175,785</b>	<b>\$ 4,005,023</b>	<b>\$ 3,587,908</b>
Other financing sources	225,000	-	-
Excess of revenues over expenses	<u>\$ 1,047</u>	<u>\$ 174,874</u>	<u>\$ 1,004,879</u>

See accompanying note to the required supplemental information.



**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET  
AND ACTUAL – SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

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	Special Revenue Fund		
	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
REVENUES			
Federal passed through local school district	\$ 40,908	\$ 64,772	\$ 280,245
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$ 40,908</u>	<u>\$ 64,772</u>	<u>\$ 280,245</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Instruction	\$ 40,908	\$ 64,772	\$ 571,390
Operation of plant	-	-	216,955
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 40,908</u>	<u>\$ 64,772</u>	<u>\$ 788,345</u>
Other financing sources	-	-	508,100
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

See accompanying note to the required supplemental information.

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
FRS/HIS - SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS  
JUNE 30, 2021**

**Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability - Florida Retirement System – Last 10 Fiscal Years**

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.003751702%	0.003950922%	0.003704784%	0.003439015%	0.003102483%	0.003026199%
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,626,081	\$ 1,360,643	\$ 1,115,900	\$ 1,017,238	\$ 783,379	\$ 390,874
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 2,334,315	\$ 2,313,958	\$ 2,128,592	\$ 2,045,604	\$ 1,896,585	\$ 1,691,634
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a % of its covered payroll	69.66%	58.80%	52.42%	49.73%	41.30%	23.11%
Plan fiduciary net position as a % of the total pension liability	78.85%	82.61%	84.26%	83.89%	84.88%	92.00%

**Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability - Health Insurance Subsidy Program – Last 10 Fiscal Years**

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.006725763%	0.006885023%	0.006517108%	0.006143669%	0.006143669%	0.005575913%
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 821,204	\$ 770,365	\$ 689,778	\$ 686,204	\$ 716,019	\$ 568,655
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 2,334,315	\$ 2,313,958	\$ 2,128,592	\$ 2,045,604	\$ 1,896,585	\$ 1,691,634
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a % of its covered payroll	35.18%	33.29%	32.41%	33.55%	37.75%	33.62%
Plan fiduciary net position as a % of the total pension liability	3.00%	2.63%	2.15%	1.64%	0.97%	0.50%

Note 1: GASB 68 requires information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is complied, governments should present information for only those years for which information is available.

Note 2: The amounts shown above are for illustration purposes only. Each employer will determine the appropriate amounts to present based upon amounts published in the pension allocation schedules.

Note 3: The Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability is published in Note 4 of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report on the website indicated in Note 6.

Note 4: Refer to GASB 81a - the information in this schedule should be determined as of the measurement date of the collective net pension liability.

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
FRS/HIS - SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS  
JUNE 30, 2021**

**Schedule of Contributions Florida Retirement System – Last 10 Fiscal Years**

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 124,652	\$ 122,507	\$ 105,583	\$ 89,526	\$ 75,659	\$ 73,781
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ (124,652)	\$ (122,507)	\$ (105,583)	\$ (89,526)	\$ (75,659)	\$ (73,781)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Schools' covered-employee payroll	\$ 2,334,315	\$ 2,313,958	\$ 2,128,592	\$ 2,045,604	\$ 1,896,585	\$ 1,691,634
Contributions as a % of covered-employee payroll	5.34%	5.29%	4.96%	4.38%	3.99%	4.36%

**Schedule of Contributions Health Insurance Subsidy Program – Last 10 Fiscal Years**

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 38,757	\$ 38,232	\$ 35,342	\$ 33,964	\$ 31,490	\$ 21,315
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ (38,757)	\$ (38,232)	\$ (35,342)	\$ (33,964)	\$ (31,490)	\$ (21,315)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Schools' covered-employee payroll	\$ 2,334,315	\$ 2,313,958	\$ 2,128,592	\$ 2,045,604	\$ 1,896,585	\$ 1,691,634
Contributions as a % of covered-employee payroll	1.66%	1.65%	1.66%	1.66%	1.66%	1.26%

Note 1: GASB 68 requires information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is complied, governments should present information for only those years for which information is available.

Note 2: The amounts shown above are for illustration purposes only. Each employer will determine the appropriate amounts to present upon their accounting data.

Note 3: Refer to GASB 68, paragraph 81b - the information in this schedule should be determined as of the employer's most recent fiscal year.

**WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

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NOTE A – BUDGETARY INFORMATION

Budgetary basis of accounting

The School's annual budget is adopted for the entire operations at the combined governmental level and may be amended by the Board. The budget presented for the year ended June 30, 2021, has been amended according to Board procedures. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the fund level.

Although budgets are adopted for the entire operation, budgetary comparisons have been presented for the general, capital project, and special revenue funds for which a legally adopted budget exists.

Budgets are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the object level (e.g., salaries, purchased services, and capital outlay).



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

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Board of Directors of  
Western Academy Charter School, Inc.  
Royal Palm Beach, Florida

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 and the aggregate remaining fund information of Western Academy Charter School, Inc. (“WACS”, the “School”), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, 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 24, 2021.

**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) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 entity’s financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other 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 entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida  
September 24, 2021



## MANAGEMENT LETTER

Board of Directors of  
Western Academy Charter School, Inc.  
Royal Palm Beach, Florida

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Western Academy Charter School, Inc. (the “School”) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated September 24, 2021.

### Auditor’s Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.850, Rules of the Auditor General.

### Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards. Disclosures in that report, which is dated September 24, 2021, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

### Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.854(1)(e)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding audit report

### Official Title

Section 10.854(1)(e)5, Rules of the Auditor General, requires the name or official title of the entity and the School code assigned by the Florida Department of Education be disclosed in this management letter. The official title and school code of the entity is Western Academy Charter School, #502911.

## **Financial Condition and Management**

Sections 10.854(1)(e)2. and 10.855(11), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate whether or not the School has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the School did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.854(1)(e)6.a. and 10.855(12), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for the School. It is management's responsibility to monitor the School's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same. The financial condition assessment procedures applied in connection with our audit, has lead us to believe that the School's overall financial condition as of June 30, 2021 is not deteriorating.

Section 10.854(1)(e)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

## **Transparency**

Sections 10.854(1)(e)7. and 10.855(13), Rules of the Auditor General, require that we report the results of our determination as to whether the School maintains on its Web site the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we determined that the School maintained on its Web site the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes.

## **Additional Matters**

Section 10.854(1)(e)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

## **Purpose of this Letter**

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Board of Directors, and applicable management and Western Academy, Inc. is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida  
September 24, 2021