Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. Palm Springs, Florida

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. (the "School") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, 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, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the School, as of June 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and budgetary comparison for the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund 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 and the required supplementary information, as shown in the table of contents, 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 30, 2019, 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 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.

Keefe McCullough

**KEEFE McCULLOUGH** 

Fort Lauderdale, Florida September 30, 2019

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. (the "School) we offer readers of the School's basic financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the School for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018.

Management's discussion and analysis is included at the beginning of the School's basic financial statements to provide, in layman's terms, the current position of the School's financial condition. This summary should not be taken as a replacement for the audit which consists of the basic financial statements.

#### **Financial Highlights**

Our basic financial statements provide these insights into the results of this year's operations.

- As of June 30, 2019, the School's governmental fund balances were \$77,522 as compared to \$398,453 as of June 30, 2018.
- As of June 30, 2019, the School's net position for business-type activities was \$ 3,895 as compared to \$ 114,311 as of June 30, 2018.
- As of June 30, 2019 the School had net position (deficit) for governmental activities of \$ (3,354,408) as compared to \$ (2,229,908) as of June 30, 2018.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the School's basic financial statements. The School's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the basic financial statements.

**Government-Wide Basic 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, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the School is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the School's net position changed during the year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected revenues and services rendered but unpaid).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the School that are principally supported by intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (*business-type activities*). The governmental activities of the School include instruction, instructional support services and non-instructional services. The business-type activities of the School include operation of a sound stage and motion picture productions.

The government-wide basic financial statements can be found on pages 8 and 9 of this report.

**Fund Basic Financial Statements:** A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The School, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the School can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and proprietary funds.

**Governmental Funds:** Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide basic financial statements, governmental fund basic financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the School's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the School's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The School maintains several individual governmental funds. Information is presented in the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances. The General Fund, Special Revenue Fund, and Capital Project Fund are considered to be the School's major funds.

The School adopts an annual budget for its governmental funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

The governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 10 through 15 of this report.

**Proprietary Fund:** The School has one proprietary fund, which is an enterprise fund. An enterprise fund is used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The School uses the enterprise fund to account for the operations of their sound stage and motion picture productions.

The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 16 through 18 of this report.

**Notes to Basic Financial Statements:** The notes provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to basic financial statements can be found on pages 19 through 34 of this report.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

The School has been in operation for sixteen years; therefore, comparative government-wide data is presented. The School's net position (deficit) was \$ (3,350,513) at June 30, 2019. This amount represents net investment in capital assets (deficit) of \$ (602,480) and unrestricted (deficit) of \$ (2,748,033). The School's net position (deficit) was \$ (2,115,597) at June 30, 2018. This amount represents net investment in capital assets (deficit) of \$ (540,183), restricted for capital projects of \$ 360,000, and unrestricted (deficit) of \$ (1,935,414).

Our analysis in the table below focuses on the net position of the School's governmental activities:

#### G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. Net Position (Deficit)

		Governme	ental	Activities	Business-type Activities			Total				
		2019		2018	_	2019		2018	_	2019		2018
Current and other assets Internal balances Benefit under interest	\$	582,920 53,935	\$	735,835 -	\$	59,245 (53,935)	\$	151,931 -	\$	642,165 -	\$	887,766 -
rate swap Capital assets	_	- 5,651,187	_	55,595 5,913,586	_	-	_	-	_	- 5,651,187	_	55,595 5,913,586
Total assets		6,288,042	_	6,705,016	_	5,310		151,931	_	6,293,352	_	6,856,947
Deferred outflows related to pensions		1,178,873		1,237,047		-		-		1,178,873		1,237,047
Obligation under interest rate swap Other long-term liabilities		234,933		-		-		-		234,933		-
outstanding Current liabilities		9,198,689 944,611		9,494,567 337,382		- 1,415		- 37,620		9,198,689 946,026		9,494,567 375,002
Total liabilities		10,378,233	_	9,831,949		1,415		37,620		10,379,648		9,869,569
Deferred inflows related to pensions	_	443,090	_	340,022	_		_		_	443,090	_	340,022
Net position (deficit): Net investment in												
capital assets (deficit) Restricted for capital projects Unrestricted		(602,480) - (2,751,928)		(540,183) 360,000 (2,049,725)		- - 3,895		- - 114,311		(602,480) - (2,748,033)		(540,183) 360,000 (1,935,414)
Total net position (deficit) as restated (Note 14)	\$	(3,354,408)	\$	(2,229,908)	\$	3,895	\$	114,311	\$	(3,350,513)	\$	(2,115,597)

Governmental Activities - Total assets decreased mainly due to a decrease in capital assets due to current year depreciation expense. Total liabilities increased due to an increase in current liabilities resulting from higher wages payable. The School's short term debt also increased due to a new note payable.

Business-type Activities - Current and other assets decreased mainly due to a decrease in cash and cash equivalents. Total liabilities decreased over the previous year due to a decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

The results of this year's operations for the School as a whole are reported in the statement of activities on page 9. The table below provides a condensed presentation of the School's revenues and expenses for the year ended June 30, 2019 and 2018:

G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. Change in Net Position

		Governme	ental	Activities	Business-type Activities			Total				
	_	2019		2018		2019		2018	Ξ	2019		2018
Revenues:												
Program revenues: Charges for services	\$	168,835	\$	166,535	\$	59,515	\$	59,692	5	228,350	\$	226,227
Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and		468,367		355,300		-		-		468,367		355,300
contributions		407,579		619,383		-		-		407,579		619,383
General revenues:												
State funds		5,683,968		5,900,942		-				5,683,968		5,900,942
Local and other		181,896		149,727		713		172		182,609		149,899
Total revenues		6,910,645	_	7,191,887		60,228		59,864		6,970,873		7,251,751
Expenses: Instructional services		4,070,295		3,767,838		-		-		4,070,295		3,767,838
System-wide support services Interest and other charges Motion picture productions		3,569,825 227,874 -		3,682,750 649,446		- - 47,267		- - 40,392		3,569,825 227,874 47,267		3,682,750 649,446 689,838
Total expenses		7,867,994	-	8,100,034		47,267		40,392		7,915,261		8,789,872
Transfers in (out)	_	123,377	_			(123,377)		_			_	
Change in net position prior to change in fair value of interest rate swap	_	(833,972)	-	(908,147)		(110,416)		19,472		(944,388)		(1,538,121)
Change in fair value of interest rate swap	_	(290,528)	_	55,595		-			_	(290,528)	_	55,595
Change in net position		(1,124,500)		(852,552)		(110,416)		19,472		(1,234,916)		(1,482,526)
Net position, (deficit) July 1, as restated (Note 14)	_	(2,229,908)	_	(1,377,356)	•	114,311		94,839	_	(2,115,597)	_	(1,282,517)
Net position (deficit), June 30, as restated (Note 14)	\$ <b>_</b>	(3,354,408)	\$	(2,229,908)	\$	3,895	\$	114,311	S	(3,350,513)	\$	(2,115,597)

Governmental Activities -Total revenues decreased mainly due to a decrease in state funds resulting from an enrollment decline. Total expenses decreased due to the enrollment decline and prior year bond issuances costs.

Business-type Activities - Total revenues and expenses were in line with the previous year.

#### **Governmental Fund Expenditures**

In the table below, we have presented the cost of the largest functions/programs as a percentage of total governmental expenditures:

			2019		2018		
Functions/Programs		Expenditures	_	Percent	Expenditures		Percent
Governmental expenditures:							
Instruction	\$	3,878,554		51%	\$ 3,806,915		27%
Administrative services		1,309,525		17%	1,432,347		10%
Transportation services		662,527		9%	642,758		5%
Plant operations and maintenance		597,323		8%	618,712		4%
Debt service		418,973		6%	7,164,802		50%
All other functions/programs	-	738,051	_	9%	615,036	-	4%
Total governmental							
expenditures	\$	7,604,953	_	100%	\$ 14,280,570	=	100%

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

**Capital assets:** At June 30, 2019, the School had capital assets of \$5,651,187, net of accumulated depreciation, invested in land, buildings and improvements, furniture, fixtures and equipment, and vehicles, as compared to \$5,913,586 at June 30, 2018.

**Debt:** At June 30, 2019, the School had outstanding debt of \$6,503,667, as compared to \$6,453,769 at June 30, 2018. Additional information on the School's debt can be found in Notes 6, 7, and 8 on pages 24 through 26.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

Total state source revenues were unfavorable to budget due to an enrollment shortfall. The decline was offset by an increase in local source revenues resulting from higher contributions than budgeted. Total expenditures were unfavorable to budget due to unbudgeted student support services, as well as higher debt service expenditures. The School entered into a new note payable and also had a transfer in from the Capital Outlay Fund and the Enterprise Fund, resulting in a positive variance in other financing sources (uses). Overall, the School ended the year with a change in fund balance that was unfavorable to the budget by approximately \$ (562,000).

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

In fiscal year 2019, the State of Florida increased its Florida Education Finance Program funding by approximately 2% and the capital outlay funding pool increased to \$ 145 million. In addition, an allocation was given to fund safe schools and mental health initiatives. A 2% merit increase was also paid out to eligible staff.

For fiscal year 2020, capital outlay revenue was assumed at an increase of 2% of the current rate per student. The budgets reflect the Florida Education Finance Program funding increase of \$ 175 per student. A 2% merit increase for all staff was budgeted as well as safety initiatives for security resource officers. All other expenditures are budgeted in alignment with enrollment changes and the School's strategic objectives.

#### **Requests for Information**

If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, please write Lindsey Lennon, Controller - Schools, Charter Schools USA, 800 Corporate Drive, Suite 700, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308.

## BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Current Assets:         Cash and cash equivalents       \$ 161,875       \$ 58,206       \$ 220         Cash with fiscal agent       250,000       -       250         Other receivables       -       1,039       1         Due from other governments       28,493       -       28         Internal balances       53,935       (53,935)       79         Due from related party       79,950       -       79
Cash and cash equivalents       \$ 161,875       \$ 58,206       \$ 220         Cash with fiscal agent       250,000       -       250         Other receivables       -       1,039       1         Due from other governments       28,493       -       28         Internal balances       53,935       (53,935)       (53,935)         Due from related party       79,950       -       79
Due from other governments28,493-28Internal balances53,935(53,935)Due from related party79,950-79
Due from related party 79,950 - 79
Prepaid items 43,540 - 43
Deposits
Total current assets 636,855 5,310 642
Noncurrent Assets: Capital assets (depreciable),
net of accumulated depreciation 5,651,187 - 5,651
Total noncurrent assets 5,651,187 - 5,651
Total assets 6,288,042 5,310 6,293
Deferred Outflows of Resources:         Deferred outflows related to pensions       1,178,873       -       1,178
Current Liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities 324,212 1,415 325
Salaries and wages payable 235,121 - 235
Accrued interest payable 9,003 - 9
Notes payable 200,159 - 200
Bonds payable <u>176,116</u> - <u>176</u>
Total current liabilities         944,611         1,415         946
Noncurrent Liabilities:
Obligation under interest rate swap 234,933 - 234
Net pension liability 3,071,297 - 3,071
Notes payable 63,709 - 63  Bonds payable 6,063,683 - 6,063
Total noncurrent liabilities 9,433,622 - 9,433
Total liabilities 10,378,233 1,415 10,379
Deferred Inflows of Resources:  Deferred inflows related to pensions 443,090 - 443
Commitments (Note 12)
Net Position (Deficit):         (602,480)         -         (602           Investment in capital assets         (2,751,928)         3,895         (2,748
Total net position (deficit) \$ (3,354,408) \$ 3,895 \$ (3,350

			Program Revenue	ac .	Net (Evnense	e) Revenue and	
		Charges	Operating	Capital		Net Position	
		for	Grants and	Grants and	Governmental	Business-type	
Functions/Programs:	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Activities	Activities	Total
Governmental activities:							
Instruction	\$ 4,070,295 \$	_	\$ 468,367	\$ -	\$ (3,601,928)	\$ -	\$ (3,601,928)
Student support services	226,172	_		- -	(226,172)	- -	(226,172)
Instructional media services	271,387	_	-	-	(271,387)	_	(271,387)
Instructional staff training	272,007				(272)0077		(2,2)33,7
services	22,374	-	-	-	(22,374)	-	(22,374)
School administration	1,309,525	-	-	-	(1,309,525)	-	(1,309,525)
Fiscal services	35,731	-	-	-	(35,731)	-	(35,731)
Central services	84,899	-	-	-	(84,899)	-	(84,899)
Pupil transportation	662,527	-	-	-	(662,527)	-	(662,527)
Operation of plant	732,589	-	-	407,579	(325,010)	-	(325,010)
Maintenance of plant	152,983	-	-	-	(152,983)	-	(152,983)
Community services	71,638	168,835	-	-	97,197	-	97,197
Interest on long-term debt	227,874	-			(227,874)		(227,874)
Total governmental							
activities	7,867,994	168,835	468,367	407,579	(6,823,213)	-	(6,823,213)
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Business-type activities:							
Motion picture productions	47,267	59,515				12,248	12,248
Total business-type							
activities	47,267	59,515				12,248	12,248
Total primary	ć 7.04F.264 ć	220.250	\$ 468,367	ć 407.570	(6,022,242)	12.240	(6.010.065)
government	\$ 7,915,261 \$	228,350	\$ 468,367	\$ 407,579	(6,823,213)	12,248	(6,810,965)
	General revenues:						
	Grants and entitlen	nents			5,683,968	-	5,683,968
	Contributions				137,621	-	137,621
	Investment income				2,653	213	2,866
	Miscellaneous				41,622	500	42,122
	Transfers in (out)				123,377	(123,377)	
	Total general reve	enues and trans	fers		5,989,241	(122,664)	5,866,577
	=	position before	=		(022.072)	(440,445)	(0.4.4.200)
	fair value of i	nterest rate sw	ap		(833,972)	(110,416)	(944,388)
	Change in fair value	of interest rate	e swap (Note 7)		(290,528)		(290,528)
	Change in net <sub>l</sub>	oosition			(1,124,500)	(110,416)	(1,234,916)
	Net position (deficit	), July 1, 2018, a	as restated (Note 14	1)	(2,229,908)	114,311	(2,115,597)
	Net position (deficit	), June 30, 2019	)		\$ (3,354,408)	\$ 3,895	\$ (3,350,513)

	-	General Fund	-	Special Revenue Fund	_	Capital Project Fund	_	Total
Assets:	_		_				_	
Cash and cash equivalents Cash with fiscal agent	\$	161,875 250,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	161,875 250,000
Due from other governments		230,000		-		28,493		28,493
Due from related party		79,950		-		-		79,950
Due from Enterprise Fund		53,935		-		-		53,935
Due from other funds		28,493		-		-		28,493
Prepaid items Deposits		43,540 19,062		_		-		43,540 19,062
Deposits	-	19,002	-		_		_	19,002
Total assets	\$	636,855	\$		\$ _	28,493	\$ _	665,348
Liabilities:								
Accounts payable and								
accrued liabilities	\$	324,212	\$	-	\$	-	\$	324,212
Salaries and wages payable  Due to other funds		235,121		-		-		235,121
Due to other runds	-	<del>-</del>	-		_	28,493	_	28,493
Total liabilities	_	559,333	_		_	28,493	_	587,826
Commitments (Note 12)		-		-		-		-
Fund Balances:								
Nonspendable: Prepaid items		43,540		_		_		43,540
Deposits		19,062		_		-		19,062
Unassigned	_	14,920	-		_		_	14,920
Total fund balances	-	77,522	-	-	_		_	77,522
Total liabilities								
and fund balances	\$	636,855	\$	-	\$ =	28,493	\$ =	665,348

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds			\$ 77,522
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (deficit) are different because:			
The cost of capital assets acquired is reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds. The statement of net position (deficit) includes those capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, among the assets of the School as a whole.			
Cost of capital assets Accumulated depreciation	\$ -	9,597,277 (3,946,090)	5,651,187
Long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are not recorded in the funds:			
Deferred outflows related to pensions			1,178,873
Liabilities not payable with current available resources are not reported as fund liabilities in the governmental fund statements. All liabilities both current and long-term, are reported in the government-wide statements.			
Obligation under interest rate swap Accrued interest payable Notes payable Bonds payable Net pension liability Deferred inflows related to pensions	\$	(234,933) (9,003) (263,868) (6,239,799) (3,071,297) (443,090)	(10,261,990)
Net Position (Deficit) of Governmental Activities			\$ (3,354,408)

	-	General Fund	_	Special Revenue Fund	_	Capital Project Fund	_	Total
Revenues: Federal through state State sources Local sources	\$	- 6,121,778 350,731	\$	30,557 - -	\$_	- 407,579 -	\$	30,557 6,529,357 350,731
Total revenues	_	6,472,509	_	30,557	_	407,579	_	6,910,645
Expenditures: Instruction Student support services Instructional media services Instructional staff training services School administration Fiscal services Central services Transportation services Operation of plant Maintenance of plant Community services Capital outlay Debt service: Principal Interest	_	3,864,535 226,172 271,387 22,374 1,309,525 35,731 84,899 662,527 36,761 152,983 71,638 25,850 200,102 218,871	_	14,019		- - - - - - 407,579 - - - -	_	3,878,554 226,172 271,387 22,374 1,309,525 35,731 84,899 662,527 444,340 152,983 71,638 25,850 200,102 218,871
Total expenditures	-	7,183,355	_	14,019	_	407,579	_	7,604,953
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures  Other Financing Sources (Uses) Proceeds from note payable Transfers in Transfer out	-	(710,846) 250,000 499,915	-	16,538 - - (16,538)	_	- - (360,000)	_	(694,308) 250,000 499,915 (376,538)
Total other financing sources (uses)		749,915	-	(16,538)	_	(360,000)	_	373,377
Net change in fund balances		39,069		-		(360,000)		(320,931)
Fund Balances, July 1, 2018	-	38,453	_		_	360,000	_	398,453
Fund Balances, June 30, 2019	\$	77,522	\$ _	-	\$ =		\$ =	77,522

G-Star School of the Arts, Inc.
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues,
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
of the Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Fund			\$ (320,931)
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, these costs are allocated over their estimated useful lives as a provision for depreciation.			
Cost of capital assets Provision for depreciation	\$	25,850 (288,249)	(262,399)
Principal payments on long-term debt are reported as expenditures in governmental funds, but as a reduction of long-term liabilities in the statement of net position (deficit).			200,102
Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases longterm liabilities in the statement of net position (deficit).			
Proceeds from note payable			(250,000)
Certain items 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.			
Change in fair value under interest rate swap Change in accrued interest payable Change in net pension liability Changes in deferred outflows related to pensions Change in deferred inflows related to pensions	\$	(290,528) (9,003) (30,499) (58,174) (103,068)	(491,272)
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	·		\$ (1,124,500)

	_	Original and Final Budget		Actual	Variance
Revenues:					
State sources Local sources	\$	6,430,225 202,300	\$	6,121,778 350,731	\$ , , ,
Local sources	-	202,300		330,731	148,431
Total revenues	_	6,632,525		6,472,509	(160,016)
Expenditures:					
Instruction		3,767,000		3,864,535	(97,535)
Student support services		100.000		226,172	(226,172)
Instructional media services Instructional staff training		180,000		271,387	(91,387)
services		15,000		22,374	(7,374)
School administration		1,150,650		1,309,525	(158,875)
Fiscal services		53,500		35,731	17,769
Central services		-		84,899	(84,899)
Transportation services		634,250		662,527	(28,277)
Operation of plant		-		36,761	(36,761)
Maintenance of plant		115,754		152,983	(37,229)
Community services		115,000		71,638	43,362
Capital outlay Debt service:		-		25,850	(25,850)
Principal		_		200,102	(200,102)
Interest		-		218,871	(218,871)
Total expenditures	_	6,031,154		7,183,355	(1,152,201)
Excess (deficiency)					
of revenues over expenditures		601,371		(710,846)	(1,312,217)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Proceeds from note payable		-		250,000	250,000
Transfer in	-			499,915	499,915
Total other financing					
sources (uses)	_	-	-	749,915	749,915
Net change in					
fund balance	\$_	601,371	\$	39,069	\$ (562,302)

G-Star School of the Arts, Inc.
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual - Special Revenue Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

		Original and Final Budget		Actual		Variance
Revenues: Federal sources: IDEA Emergency Impact Aid	\$	25,000 -	\$	14,019 16,538	\$	(10,981) 16,538
Total revenues	_	25,000	_	30,557	_	5,557
Expenditures: Instruction	_	25,000	_	14,019	_	10,981
Total expenditures	_	25,000	_	14,019	_	10,981
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		-		16,538		16,538
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Transfer out	_		_	(16,538)	_	(16,538)
Net change in fund balance	\$_	_	\$ <u>_</u>		\$ <u>_</u>	-

	Enterprise Fund
Assets: Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable	\$ 58,206 1,039
Total current assets	\$ 59,245
Liabilities: Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Due to General Fund	\$ 1,415 53,935
Total liabilities	55,350
Net Position: Unrestricted	3,895
Total net position	\$ 3,895

	Enterprise Fund
Operating Revenues: Rental income Interest income Other income	\$ 59,515 213 500
Total operating revenues	60,228
Operating Expenses: Movie production expense  Total operating expenses  Operating income (loss) before transfers	47,267 47,267 12,961
Transfers: Transfer out	(123,377)
Change in net position	(110,416)
Total net position - July 1, 2018, as restated (Note 14)	114,311
Total net position - June 30, 2019	\$ 3,895

	Enterprise Fund
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	
Cash received from customers \$	60,128
Cash paid for goods and services	(29,537)
Net cash used by operating activities	30,591
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:	
Transfer out	(123,377)
	(00 705)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(92,786)
Balances - July 1, 2018	150,992
<b>Balances - June 30, 2019</b> \$	58,206
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash used by operating activities:	
Operating income (loss) \$	12,961
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash used by operating activities:	
Increase in accounts receivable	(100)
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(36,205)
Increase in due to General Fund	53,935
Net cash used by operating activities \$	30,591

#### Note 1 - Organization and Operations

G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. (the "School") is a not-for-profit public, charter high school that was established in 2003 in Palm Beach County. A central component of the School's vision is to create an on-going and self-sustaining feature-film industry in Palm Beach County and South Florida. In this way our students will go on to graduate from college and return to be employed in a film industry we have created. They will be the future writers, directors, producers, actors, editors, and crew for that industry. We are the only educational entity that we know of that is developing an entire industry with the purpose of employing our students after they graduate from college. The governing body of the School is the not-for-profit corporation Board of Directors.

#### **Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Reporting entity: The School operates under a charter granted by the sponsoring school board, the School Board of Palm Beach County. The current charter is effective until June 30, 2032 and may be renewed in minimum terms of five years by mutual written agreement between the School and the School Board. 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 ninety days prior to the charter's expiration. During the term of the charter, the School Board may also terminate the charter if good cause is shown.

The School may also be financially accountable if an organization is fiscally dependent on the School regardless of whether the organization has a separately elected governing board, a governing board appointed by another government, or a jointly approved board. In addition, component units can be other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the School are such that exclusion would cause the basic financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

As a result of evaluating the above criteria, management has determined that no component units exist for which the School is financially accountable, which would require inclusion in the School's basic financial statements.

**Basis of presentation:** Based on the guidance provided in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Audit and Accounting Guide - Not-for-Profit Organizations and provisions of Section 228.056, Florida Statutes, the School is presented as a governmental organization for financial statement reporting purposes.

**Government-wide financial statements:** Government-wide financial statements, including the statement of net position and the statement of activities, present information about the School as a whole.

Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the School's governmental activities and business-type activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and are thereby clearly identifiable to a particular function.

Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the School.

**Fund financial statements:** Fund financial statements report detailed information about the School in the governmental funds. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is reported in a separate column. Because the focus of governmental fund financial statements differs from the focus of government-wide financial statements, a reconciliation is presented with each of the governmental fund financial statements.

The School's major governmental funds are as follows:

**General Fund** - This fund is used to account for all operating activities of the School except for those required to be accounted for in another fund.

**Special Revenue Fund** - This fund is used to account for federal grants and certain state grants that are legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

**Capital Project Fund** - This fund is used to account for state and local capital outlay funding that is legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

The following major proprietary fund is used by the School:

**Enterprise Fund** - This fund is used to account for the operations of the School's sound stage and motion picture production.

During the course of operations the government has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at year end are reported as due from/to other funds and advances to/from other funds. While these balances are reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Balances between the funds included in governmental activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as internal balances in the governmental activities column. Similarly, balances between the funds included in business-type activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included in business-type activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as internal balances in the business-type activities column.

**Basis of accounting:** Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures, or expenses, are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The government-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.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available. Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within ninety days of the end of the current period. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized when due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

The proprietary funds are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*.

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *nonoperating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

**Cash and cash equivalents:** The School considers all demand accounts and money market funds which are not subjected to withdrawal restrictions to be cash and cash equivalents.

The School maintains its cash accounts with two financial institutions. The School's accounts at these institution, at times, may exceed the federally insured limit. The School has not experienced any losses in such accounts and does not believe it is exposed to any significant credit risk (Note 3).

**Prepaid items:** Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

**Due to and due from other funds:** Interfund receivables and payables arise from interfund transactions and are recorded by all funds affected in the period in which transactions are executed. The balances result from the time lag between the dates that interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and payments between funds are made.

**Revenue recognition:** Student funding is provided by the State of Florida through the School Board. Such funding is recorded as entitlement revenue in the government-wide financial statements and state source revenue in the fund financial statements. This funding is received on a pro rata basis over a twelve-month period and is adjusted for changes in full-time equivalent (FTE) student population.

**Capital assets:** Property and equipment purchased or acquired are capitalized at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Capital assets are defined by the School as assets with a cost of \$ 750 and useful life of over one year. Donated property and equipment assets are reported at acquisition value as of the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Depreciation on all capital assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives as follows:

Buildings and improvements	30-40 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5-20 years
Vehicles	5 years

**Deferred outflows/inflows of resources:** In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report 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 a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The School has deferred outflows relating to the net pension liability that qualify for reporting in this category (Note 9).

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The School has deferred inflows relating to the net pension liability that qualify for reporting in this category (Note 9).

**Unearned revenue:** Unearned revenue arises when the School receives resources before it has a legal claim to them.

**Net position:** Net position is classified in three categories. The general meaning of each is as follows:

- Net investment in capital assets represents the difference between the cost of capital assets, less accumulated depreciation reduced by the outstanding balances of borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by 1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or 2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Unrestricted (deficit) indicates that portion of net position that will need to be funded by future operations.

**Fund balance:** The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on the provisions of GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. This Statement provides more clearly defined fund balance classifications and also sets a hierarchy which details how the School may spend funds based on certain constraints. The following are the fund balance classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements:

- Nonspendable this classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The School classifies inventories, prepaid items, long-term notes receivable and deposits as nonspendable since they are not expected to be converted to cash or are not expected to be converted to cash within the next year.
- Restricted this classification includes amounts that are restricted for specific purposes by external parties such as grantors and creditors or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Committed this classification includes amounts that can be used for specific purposes voted on through formal action of the Board of Directors (the highest level of decision making authority). The committed amount cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Directors removes or changes the commitment through formal action.
- Assigned this classification includes amounts that the Board of Directors intends to use for a specific purpose but they are neither restricted nor committed. The School classifies existing fund balance to be used in the subsequent year's budget for elimination of a deficit as assigned.

 Unassigned - this classification includes amounts that have not been restricted, committed or assigned for a specific purpose within the General Fund.

The details of the fund balances are included in the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet on page 10.

When the School incurs expenditures for which restricted or unrestricted fund balance is available, the School would consider restricted funds to be spent first. When the School has expenditures for which committed, assigned or unassigned fund balance is available, the School would consider committed funds to be spent first, then assigned funds and lastly unassigned funds.

**Budget:** An operating budget is adopted and maintained by the governing board for the School pursuant to the requirements of Florida Statutes. The budget is adopted using the same basis of accounting that is used in the preparation of the financial statements.

**Income Taxes:** The School is exempt from Federal tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been included in the accompanying financial statements. Additionally, no uncertain tax positions have been made requiring disclosure in the related note to financial statements. The School's income tax returns for the past three years are subject to examination by tax authorities and may change upon examination.

**Use of estimates:** The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Date of management review:** Subsequent events were evaluated by management through September 30, 2019, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

#### Note 3 - Cash and Cash Equivalents

At June 30, 2019, the carrying amount of the deposits and cash on hand totaled \$ 220,081 with bank balances of \$ 229,174.

State statutes require that all deposits be made into, and be held by, financial institutions designated by the Treasurer of the State of Florida as "qualified public depositories" as defined by Chapter 280 of the Florida Statutes. This statute requires that every qualified public depository institution maintain eligible collateral to secure the public entity's funds. The minimum collateral to be pledged by an institution, the collateral eligible for pledge, and reporting requirements of the qualified public depositor to the treasurer is defined by the statute. Collateral is pooled in a multiple qualified public depository institution pool with the ability to assess members of the pool should the need arise.

#### **Note 4 - Capital Assets**

Capital asset balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2019 are as follows:

	Balance at July 1, 2018	Additions	Deletions	Balance at June 30, 2019
Governmental Activities: Capital assets not being depreciated: Land	\$ 1,456,929	\$ -	\$ _	\$ 1,456,929
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	1,456,929	-		1,456,929
Capital assets being depreciated: Buildings and improvements Furniture, fixtures and equipment Vehicles	7,227,135 883,793 3,570	25,850 - -	- - -	7,252,985 883,793 3,570
Total capital assets being depreciated	8,114,498	25,850		8,140,348
Less accumulated depreciation for: Buildings and improvements Furniture, fixtures and equipment Vehicles	(2,770,478) (883,793) (3,570)	(288,249) - - -	<u>.</u> <u>.</u>	(3,058,727) (883,793) (3,570)
Total accumulated depreciation	(3,657,841)	(288,249)		(3,946,090)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	4,456,657	(262,399)		4,194,258
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 5,913,586	\$ 288,249	\$ _	\$ 5,651,187

Provision for depreciation was charged to governmental activities as follows:

Operation of plant \$ 288,249

#### Note 5 - Due From Related Party

The School is the primary beneficiary of G-Star School Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation"), an entity used to collect and process charitable contributions on the School's behalf. As of June 30, 2019, the Foundation owes the School \$ 79,950 for contributions collected on the School's behalf.

#### Note 6 - Notes Payable

The School previously entered into a financing agreement to purchase small computer equipment. Payments of \$ 2,893, including principal and interest are due monthly through January 2020.

The following is a schedule of the future minimum note payments as of June 30, 2019 with a 7.50% interest rate.

#### Note 6 - Notes Payable (continued)

Year Ending June 30,	 Principal	 Interest	_	Total		
2020	\$ 13,868	\$ 597	\$	14,465		

The School also entered into a note payable which matures in September 2020. Payments of \$ 21,414, including principal and interest at 5.00% are due monthly through September 2020.

The following is a schedule of the future minimum note payments as of June 30, 2019.

Year Ending June 30,	_	Principal	_	Interest	_	Total		
2020 2021	\$	186,291 63,709	\$	6,432 532	\$	192,723 64,241		
	\$	250,000	\$	6,964	\$	256,964		

#### Note 7 - Bonds Payable

Previously, Palm Beach County issued \$ 6,315,000 in Tax Exempt Industrial Revenue Bonds, Series 2017A and \$ 185,000 in Taxable Industrial Revenue Bonds, Series 2017B pursuant to an Indenture of Trust between the County and the School to make a loan to the School to refinance the School's obligations for a promissory note, refund the Bond Series 2005A and finance the acquisition of information technology equipment. The School pays interest only on the Series 2017A Bond at a variable rate with monthly principal and interest payments starting January 2019 through maturity date of November 2042. The Series 2017B Bonds bore interest at 3.950% and matured in January 2019. The Bonds are secured by a mortgage on the School's property and buildings.

Using the interest rate of 3.359% currently in place, the School's annual debt service requirements to maturity for the Series 2017A Bond are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	_	Principal		Interest	_	Total
2020	\$	176,116	\$	209,859	\$	385,975
2021		182,847		203,170		386,017
2022		189,232		196,826		386,058
2023		195,840		190,260		386,100
2024		202,168		183,972		386,140
2025-2029		1,124,081		799,642		1,923,723
2030-2034		1,334,610		593,281		1,927,891
2035-2039		1,584,574		349,094		1,933,668
2040-2043		1,250,331		74,812		1,325,143
	_		_		_	
	\$_	6,239,799	\$	2,800,916	\$_	9,040,715
	_		-		_	

#### Note 7 - Bonds Payable (continued)

In conjunction with the Series 2017A bond payable above, the School entered into an interest rate swap agreement (the "Swap") with CenterState Bank that expires in October 2027. The Swap effectively converts the variable interest rate of the bond to a fixed rate. The fixed rate being paid to the bank is 3.359%, while the payment received from the bank is based on the 65% of the one-month LIBOR rate plus 1.6705% (3.227% at June 30, 2019).

The fair value benefit (obligation) of the Swap is based on a quote obtained from CenterState Bank, which was quoted at \$ (234,933) as of June 30, 2019, and is included as a noncurrent liability in the statement of net position. This value would have been realized (incurred) had the School elected to close this transaction at June 30, 2019. However, it is management's intention to carry this transaction through maturity. Interest expense in connection with the Series 2017A Bond and interest rate swap agreement amounted to \$ 214,616 for the year ended June 30, 2019.

In connection with the Series 2017A Bond, payable, the School's agreement contains a number of restrictive covenants. Among other provisions, the agreement requires a minimum debt service coverage ratio of 1.15. At June 30, 2019, the School was not in compliance with the minimum debt service coverage; however, management requested and received a one-time waiver from the lender.

#### Note 8 - Long-Term Liabilities

Changes in the School's long-term liabilities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, are as follows:

	_	Balance July 1, 2018	_	Additions	-	Retirements	_	Balance June 30, 2019	Amount Due Within One Year
Series 2017 Industrial Revenue Bonds Notes payable Net pension liability	\$	6,410,360 43,409 3,040,798	\$	- 250,000 30,499	\$	170,561 29,541 -	\$	6,239,799 263,868 3,071,297	\$ 176,116 200,159 -
	\$_	9,494,567	\$_	280,499	\$	200,102	\$	9,574,964	\$ 376,275

#### **Note 9 - Employee Benefit Plans**

#### General Information about the Florida Retirement System (FRS)

The FRS was created in Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, to provide a defined benefit pension plan for participating public employees. The FRS was amended in 1998 to add the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) under the defined benefit plan and amended in 2000 to provide a defined contribution plan alternative to the defined benefit plan for FRS members effective July 1, 2002. This integrated defined contribution pension plan is the FRS Investment Plan . Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, established the HIS Program, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan to assist retired members of any State-administered retirement system in paying the costs of health insurance.

Essentially all regular employees of the School are eligible to enroll as members of the State-administered FRS. Provisions relating to the FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112, Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. Such provisions may be amended at any time by further action from the Florida Legislature. The FRS is a single retirement system administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of two cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plans and other nonintegrated programs. A comprehensive annual financial report of the FRS, which includes its financial statements, required supplementary information, actuarial report, and other relevant information, is available from the Florida Department of Management Services, P.O. Box 9000, Tallahassee, Florida 32315-9000, or from the Web site: www.dms.myflorida.com/workforce\_operations/retirement/publications.

#### **FRS Pension Plan**

<u>Plan Description</u>. The FRS Pension Plan (Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, with a DROP for eligible employees. The general classes of membership applicable to the School are as follows:

• Regular Class - Members of the FRS who do not qualify for membership in the other classes.

Employees enrolled in the Plan prior to July 1, 2011, vest at 6 years of creditable service and employees enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, vest at 8 years of creditable service. All vested members, enrolled prior to July 1, 2011, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 62 or at any age after 30 years of service. All members enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, once vested, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 65 or any time after 33 years of creditable service. Employees enrolled in the Plan may include up to 4 years of credit for military service toward creditable service. The Plan also includes an early retirement provision; however, there is a benefit reduction for each year a member retires before his or her normal retirement date. The Plan provides retirement, disability, death benefits, and annual cost-of-living adjustments to eligible participants.

DROP, subject to provisions of Section 121.091, Florida Statutes, permits employees eligible for normal retirement under the Plan to defer receipt of monthly benefit payments while continuing employment with an FRS-participating employer. An employee may participate in DROP for a period not to exceed 60 months after electing to participate. During the period of DROP participation, deferred monthly benefits are held in the FRS Trust Fund and accrue interest. There are no required contributions by DROP participants.

<u>Benefits Provided</u>. Benefits under the Plan are computed on the basis of age and/or years of service, average final compensation, and service credit. Credit for each year of service is expressed as a percentage of the average final compensation. For members initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the 5 highest fiscal years' earnings; for members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the 8 highest fiscal years' earnings. The total percentage value of the benefit received is determined by calculating the total value of all service, which is based on retirement plan and/or the class to which the member belonged when the service credit was earned. Members are eligible for in-line-of-duty or regular disability and survivors' benefits.

As provided in Section 121.101 , Florida Statutes, if the member is initially enrolled in the FRS before July 1, 2011, and all service credit was accrued before July 1, 2011, the annual cost-of-living adjustment is 3 percent per year. If the member is initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, and has service credit on or after July 1, 2011, there is an individually calculated cost-of-living adjustment. The annual cost-of-living adjustment is a promotion of 3 percent determined by dividing the sum of the pre-July 2011 service credit by the total service credit at retirement multiplied by 3 percent. Plan members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011 , will not have a cost-of-living adjustment after retirement.

<u>Contributions</u>. The Florida Legislature establishes contribution rates for participating employers and employees. Contribution rates during the 2018-19 fiscal year were as follows:

Class	Employee	Employer (1)		
FRS, Regular employees	3.00	8.26		

Notes: (1) Employer rates include 1.66 percent for the postemployment health insurance subsidy. Also, employer rates, other than for DROP participants, include 0.06 percent for administrative costs of the Investment Plan.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions. At June 30, 2019, the School reported a liability of \$ 1,871,426 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 20, 2018, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018. The School's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the School's 2017-2018 fiscal year contributions relative to the total 2017-2018 fiscal year contributions of all participating members. At June 30, 2018, the School's proportionate share was .006213128 percent, which was an increase of .000152408 percent from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2017.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the School recognized pension expense of \$ 313,649. In addition, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Description	_	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	158,538	\$	5,754
Change of assumptions	۲	611,491	۲	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on FRS Plan investments Changes in proportion and differences between School FRS contributions and proportionate		-		144,590
share of contributions		48,990		69,244
School FRS contributions subsequent to the measurement date		133,875		
Total	\$	952,894	\$	219,588

The deferred outflows of resources related to employer contributions paid subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

_	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	
	2020	\$ 232,790
	2021	152,007
	2022	12,684
	2023	110,613
	2024	78,802
	Thereafter	12,535

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u>. The total pension liability in the July 1, 2018, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.60 percent
Salary increases	3.25 percent, average, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.00 percent, net of pension plan
	investment expense, including inflation
Actuarial cost method	Individual entry age
Mortality rates	Generational RP-2000 with Projection
	Scale BB

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2018 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2013. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was not based on historical returns, but instead is based on a forward-looking capital market economic model. The allocation policy's description of each asset class was used to map the target allocation to the asset classes shown below. Each asset class assumption is based on a consistent set of underlying assumptions, and includes an adjustment for the inflation assumption. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic and geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation (1)	Annual Arithmetic Return	Compound Annual (Geometric) Return	Standard Deviation
Cash	1.0%	2.9%	2.9%	1.8%
Fixed income	18.0%	4.4%	4.3%	4.0%
Global equity	54.0%	7.6%	6.3%	17.0%
Real estate (property)	11.0%	6.6%	6.0%	11.3%
Private equity	10.0%	10.7%	7.8%	26.5%
Strategic investments	6.0%	6.0%	5.7%	8.6%
Total	100.0%			
Assumed inflation - mean			2.6%	1.9%

Note: (1) As outlined in the Plan's investment policy.

<u>Discount Rate</u>. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00 percent. 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. The discount rate used in the 2018 valuation was updated from 7.1 percent to 7.0 percent.

<u>Sensitivity of the School 's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</u>. The following presents the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.0 percent, as well as what the School 's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.1 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (8.1 percent) than the current rate:

		1%		Current	1%
	_	Decrease (6.00%)	-	Discount Rate (7.00%)	Increase (8.00%)
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	3,415,432	\$	1,871,426	\$ 589,039

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the School recognized pension expense of \$71,373. In addition, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Description	_	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and			
actual experience	\$	18,369	\$ 2,039
Change of assumptions		133,440	126,860
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on HIS Plan investments Changes in proportion and differences between		724	-
School HIS contributions and proportionate share of contributions School HIS contributions subsequent to the		13,423	94,603
measurement date		60,023	-
		,	
Total	\$	225,979	\$ 223,502

The deferred outflows of resources resulting from School contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense (income) as follows:

Note 9 - Employee Benefit Plans (continued)

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	
2020	\$ (1,398)
2021	(1,459)
2022	(10,053)
2023	(7,420)
2024	(23,584)
Thereafter	(13,632)

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u>. The total pension liability in the July 1, 2018, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.60 percent
Salary increases	3.25 percent, average, including inflation
Municipal bond rate	3.87 percent
Actuarial cost method	Individual entry age
Mortality rates	Generational RP-2000 with Projection
	Scale BB

#### **HIS Pension Plan**

<u>Plan Description</u>. The HIS Pension Plan (HIS Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established under Section 112.363, Florida Statutes, and may be amended by the Florida Legislature at any time. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of Stateadministered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement.

<u>Benefits Provided</u>. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment of \$ 5 for each year of creditable service completed at the time of retirement with a minimum HIS payment of \$ 30 and a maximum HIS payment of \$ 150 per month, pursuant to Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under a State-administered retirement system must provide proof of health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

<u>Contributions</u>. The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employers as set by the Florida Legislature. Employer contributions are a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the contribution rate was 1.66 percent of payroll pursuant to Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The School contributed 100 percent of its statutorily required contributions for the current and preceding 3 years. HIS Plan contributions are deposited in a separate trust fund from which HIS payments are authorized . HIS Plan benefits are not guaranteed and are subject to annual legislative appropriation. In the event the legislative appropriation or available funds fail to provide full subsidy benefits to all participants, benefits may be reduced or canceled.

Pension Liabilities Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions. At June 30, 2019, the School reported a net pension liability of \$1,199,871 or its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2018 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018. At June 30, 2018, the School's proportionate share was .011336526 percent, which was a decrease of .000335979 percent from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2017.

## Note 9 - Employee Benefit Plans (continued)

While an experience study had not been completed for the HIS Plan, the actuarial assumptions that determined the total pension liability for the HIS Plan were based on certain results of the most recent experience study for the FRS Plan.

<u>Discount Rate</u>. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.87 percent. In general, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the single rate equivalent to discounting at the long-term expected rate of return for benefit payments prior to the projected depletion date. Because the HIS benefit is essentially funded on a pay-as-you-go basis, the depletion date is considered to be immediate. The single equivalent discount rate is equal to the municipal bond rate selected by the FRS Actuarial Assumption Conference. The Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index was adopted as the applicable municipal bond index.

<u>Sensitivity of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</u>. The following presents the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 3.87 percent, as well as what the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (2.87 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (4.87 percent) than the current rate:

	_	1% Decrease (2.87%)	Current Discount Rate (3.87%)	_	1% Increase (4.87%)
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	1,366,582	\$ 1,199,871	\$	1,060,907
Aggregate amounts for both defined b	ene	fit plans:			
	_	FRS Pension Plan	FRS HIS Plan		Total
Net pension liability	\$	1,871,426	\$ 1,199,871	\$	3,071,297
Deferred outflows of resources	\$	952,894	\$ 225,979	\$	1,178,873
Deferred inflows of resources	\$	219,588	\$ 223,502	\$	443,090
Pension expense	\$	313,649	\$ 71,373	\$	385,022

#### **FRS - Defined Contribution Pension Plans**

The SBA administers the defined contribution plan officially titled the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan). The Investment Plan is reported in the SBA's annual financial statements and in the State of Florida Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

## Note 9 - Employee Benefit Plans (continued)

As provided in Section 121.4501, Florida Statutes, eligible FRS members may elect to participate in the Investment Plan in lieu of the FRS defined benefit plan. School employees already participating in the State School System Optional Retirement Program or DROP are not eligible to participate in the Investment Plan. Employer and employee contributions are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Service retirement benefits are based upon the value of the member's account upon retirement. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contributions rates, that are based on salary and membership class, as the FRS defined benefit plan. Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices. Costs of administering the Investment Plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.06 percent of payroll and by forfeited benefits of Investment Plan members. Allocations to the Investment Plan member accounts during the 2018-19 fiscal year were as follows:

	Percent of
	Gross
Class	Compensation
FRS, Regular employees	6.30

For all membership classes, employees are immediately vested in their own contributions and are vested after 1 year of service for employer contributions and investment earnings regardless of membership class. If an accumulated benefit obligation for service credit originally earned under the FRS Pension Plan is transferred to the Investment Plan, the member must have the years of service required for FRS Pension Plan vesting (including the service credit represented by the transferred funds) to be vested for these funds and the earnings on the funds. Non-vested employer contributions are placed in a suspense account for up to 5 years. If the employee returns to FRS-covered employment within the 5 year period, the employee will regain control over their account. If the employee does not return within the 5 year period, the employee will forfeit the accumulated account balance. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, the information for the amount of forfeitures was unavailable from the SBA; however, management believes that these amounts, if any, would be immaterial to the School. After termination and applying to receive benefits, the member may rollover vested funds to another qualified plan, structure a periodic payment under the Investment Plan, receive a lump-sum distribution, leave the funds invested for future distribution, or any combination of these options. Disability coverage is provided in which the member may either transfer the account balance to the FRS Pension Plan when approved for disability retirement to receive guaranteed lifetime monthly benefits under the FRS Pension Plan, or remain in the Investment Plan and rely upon that account balance for retirement income.

The School's Investment Plan pension expense totaled \$ 107,247 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.

## Note 10 - Capital Appropriations Funding

The Florida Department of Education has approved a Charter School Capital Outlay (CSCO) award for the School. In each year that funds are appropriated by the state for charter school capital outlay purposes, those funds are allocated among eligible charter schools. The funds for the School's allocation are transferred to the School once a CSCO Plan has been provided to and approved by the sponsoring district. The School's CSCO award totaled \$ 407,579 for the 2018/2019 school year and has been recognized as revenue in the accompanying basic financial statements. If the CSCO funds are used to acquire tangible property assets, the School Board has a reversionary interest in those assets. In the event of non-renewal, termination, or breach of the charter school agreement, ownership of the assets would automatically revert to the School Board. The School has elected to use these funds to pay a portion of the lease expense on the facility.

#### Note 11 - Risk Management

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, and destruction of assets and natural disasters. The School has obtained property insurance from commercial companies including, but not limited to, general liability and errors and omissions insurance. There were no claims in excess of insurance coverage limits during the past three years.

#### Note 12 - Commitments

The School participates in state grant programs, which are governed by various rules and regulations of the grantor agencies. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies, therefore, to the extent that the School has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, refunds of any money received may be required and the collectability of any related receivables at June 30, 2019 may be impaired.

In the opinion of the School, there are no significant liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying financial statements for such contingencies.

## Note 13 - Subsequent Event

Subsequent to year-end, the School entered into a management agreement with Charter Schools USA, Inc. ("CSUSA"). Substantially all management, staffing, and operational functions were transferred to CSUSA. The change in management was elected by the School's ownership and governance team as part of an effort to improve the School's financial performance.

#### Note 14 - Restatements

Previously, the School had not recorded the fair value of the interest rate swap (Note 7) in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). A prior period adjustment to decrease the beginning net position (deficit) of the School's governmental activities in the amount of \$55,595 was recorded at July 1, 2018. Additionally, the School had incorrectly continued to record the historical cost of an intangible asset held by the Enterprise Fund that no longer had value to the School. A prior period adjustment to decrease the beginning net position of the School's business-type activities in the amount of \$58,011 was recorded at July 1, 2018.

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability Florida Retirement System Pension Plan Last 10 Fiscal Years \* (Unaudited)

	l	2019	l	2018	I	2017	ı	2016	Į.	2015
School's Proportion of the net pension liability	0	0.006213128%	0	0.006060720%		0.005895338%		0.006661181%		0.006870718%
School's Proportionate share of the net pension liability	❖	1,871,426	↔	1,792,720	↔	1,488,577	❖	860,381	❖	419,215
School's covered payroll	↔	2,096,421	↔	1,964,016	❖	1,971,886	↔	1,993,683	❖	2,065,856
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		89.27%		91.28%		75.49%		43.16%		20.29%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability		84.26%		83.89%		84.88%		92.00%		%60'96

<sup>\*</sup> This schedule is intended to present information for ten years. However, until a full ten-year trend is compiled, the pension plan will present information for those years for which the information is available.

G-Star School of the Arts, Inc.
Schedule of Contributions
Florida Retirement System Pension Plan
Last 10 Fiscal Years \*
(Unaudited)

	l	2019	ı	2018	ı	2017	l	2016	ı	2015
Contractually required contribution	❖	133,875	↔	131,818	❖	116,037	❖	108,864	⋄	111,651
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		(133,875)	ı	(131,818)	l	(116,037)	l	(108,864)	l	(111,651)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<b>.</b>	1	<b>∥</b> ∽		<b>∥</b>		<b>∥</b>		<b>√</b>	
School's covered payroll	↔	2,027,066	↔	2,096,421	↔	1,964,016	⋄	1,971,886	⋄	1,993,683
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		%09'9		6.29%		5.91%		5.52%		2.60%

<sup>\*</sup> This schedule is intended to present information for ten years. However, until a full ten-year trend is compiled, the pension plan will present information for those years for which the information is available.

G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability Health Insurance Subsidy Program Last 10 Fiscal Years \* (Unaudited)

		2019	ı	2018	ı	2017	l	2016	1	2015
School's Proportion of the net pension liability	0	0.011336526%		0.011672505%		0.011888417%		0.011827624%		0.013074334%
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	₩.	1,199,871	↔	1,248,078	↔	1,385,546	↔	1,206,232	↔	1,222,482
School's covered payroll	₩.	3,702,735	❖	3,722,046	❖	3,670,069	↔	3,588,385	↔	3,883,681
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		32.40%		33.53%		37.75%		33.61%		31.48%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability		2.15%		1.64%		0.97%		0.50%		%66:0

<sup>\*</sup> This schedule is intended to present information for ten years. However, until a full ten-year trend is compiled, the pension plan will present information for those years for which the information is available.

G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. Schedule of Contributions Health Insurance Subsidy Program Last 10 Fiscal Years \* (Unaudited)

		2019	ı	2018	ı	2017	ı	2016	2015	10
Contractually required contribution	↔	60,623	↔	61,465	❖	61,786	↔	60,923	ī.	29,567
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		(60,623)	l	(61,465)	l	(61,786)	I	(60,923)	(5	(59,567)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$		₩.		<b>₩</b>		<b>∥</b>		₩.	
School's covered payroll	<b>⋄</b>	3,652,014	⋄	3,702,735	↔	3,722,044	↔	3,670,069	\$ 3,58	3,588,385
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		1.66%		1.66%		1.66%		1.66%		1.66%

<sup>\*</sup> This schedule is intended to present information for ten years. However, until a full ten-year trend is compiled, the pension plan will present information for those years for which the information is available.

## OTHER INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS



## 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

To the Board of Directors G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. Palm Springs, 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, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. (the "School") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, 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 30, 2019.

## **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.

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#### **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 two instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. The School failed to file a Public Deposit Identification and Acknowledgement Form and a Public Depositor Annual Report to the Chief Financial Officer thereby disqualifying the School from being covered under Florida Statute, Title XIX, Chapter 280. In addition, the School failed to follow the transparency rules in Florida Statute, Section 1002.33(9)(p). These items are further discussed on page 42.

## **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.

Keefe McCullough

**KEEFE McCULLOUGH** 

Fort Lauderdale, Florida September 30, 2019



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

To the Board of Directors G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. Palm Springs, Florida

## **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the financial statements of G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. (the "School") as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2019.

## **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 on 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 30, 2019, 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 recommendations made in the preceding audit report.

#### Official Title

Section 10.854(1)(e)5., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that 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 the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education are G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. and 503396.

#### **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.

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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 had the following finding and recommendation:

**Finding 2019-01**: During the audit, we noted the School did not file a Public Deposit Identification and Acknowledgment Form nor a Public Depositor Annual Report to the Chief Financial Officer.

**Effect**: The School was not covered under Florida Statute Title XIX, Chapter 280, Security For Public Deposits.

**Recommendation**: We recommend these forms be filed immediately and that controls be put in place to ensure their annual submission.

**Response**: As notated in Note 13, CSUSA took over operations of the School subsequent to year end. CSUSA will ensure that the School files the appropriate forms immediately as well as continues to file on the required annual basis.

## Transparency

Sections 10.854(1)(e)7. and 10.855(13), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether the School maintains on its website the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit we had the following finding and recommendation:

**Finding 2019-02**: During the audit, we noted the School did not present the current annual independent audit nor the minutes of the governing board.

**Effect**: The School was not covered under Florida Statute Title XLVIII, Chapter 1002, Student and Parental Rights and Educational Choices.

**Recommendation**: We recommend that the website be updated for these items and that controls be put in place to ensure that they comply with the Statute.

**Response**: As notated in Note 13, CSUSA took over operations of the School subsequent to year end. CSUSA will ensure that the School complies with the transparency rules moving forward.

#### **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 which 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 is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Fort Lauderdale, Florida September 30, 2019