A Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

Financial Statements with Independent Auditor's Reports Thereon

June 30, 2022



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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Management of Jacksonville Classical Academy East (the "School"), offers the following narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the School for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. Readers are encouraged to use this information in conjunction with information furnished in the School's financial statements. This summary should not be taken as a replacement for the audit, which consists of the basic financial statements and other supplemental information.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ This is the School's planning year prior to its first year of School operations
- For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the School's total expenses exceeded revenues by approximately \$878,000.
- ❖ For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the School's total net position is approximately \$2,829,000.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to School's basic financial statements. The School's basic financial statements consist of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements and 3) notes to the financial statements. The basic financial statements present two different views of the School through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report contains other supplemental information to enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of School. This document also includes the 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, as well as the management letter required by the Rules of the Auditor General, Chapter 10.850, Audits of Charter Schools and Similar Entities.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide a broad overview of the School's finances, similar in format to a financial statement of a private-sector business. The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about the School's financial status as a whole.

The two government-wide statements report the School's net position and the current year changes. The net position is the difference between the School's total assets and total liabilities. Measuring the net position is one way to evaluate the School's financial condition. The government-wide statements are divided into three categories: 1) governmental activities, 2) business-type activities and 3) component units. The governmental activities include the School's basic services. The business-type activities are those that the School charges for certain services. For the year ended June 30, 2022, the School had no business-type activities or component units.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide a more detailed look at the School's most significant activities. A fund is a group of related accounts used to maintain control over resources segregated for specific activities or objectives. All of the operations of the School are presented in governmental funds only.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for those functions reported as governmental activities. The School's basic services are accounted for in governmental funds. These funds focus on how assets can readily be converted into cash flow in and out, and what money left at year-end is available for spending in the next year. Governmental funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual accounting*. This method also has a current financial resources focus. As a result, the governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed short-term view of the financial resources available to finance the School's programs. The relationship between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is described in a reconciliation that is a part of the fund financial statements.

The School adopts an annual budget for its general fund, as required by the Florida Statutes. The budget is legally adopted by management of the School and its Board. The budgetary comparison schedule has been included as part of the required supplementary information. The budgetary comparison schedule shows four columns: 1) the original budget as adopted by the Board, 2) the final budget as amended by the Board, 3) the actual resources, charges and ending balances in the general fund, and 4) the variance between the final budget and the actual resources and charges.

Notes to Financial Statements

The notes to financial statements provide additional information essential to the full understanding of the information reported in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements start on page 16 of this report.

This report also includes the 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*, as well as the management letter required by the Rules of the Auditor General, Chapter 10.850, *Audits of Charter Schools and Similar Entities*.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL

The School's combined net position as of June 30, 2022 is summarized as follows:

	Governmental Activities
Assets:	2022
Current assets	\$ 40,291
Capital assets, net	5,146,612
Total Assets	5,186,903
Liabilities:	
Current liabilities	468,622
Long-term liabilities	1,889,602
Total Liabilities	2,358,224
Net position:	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	3,257,010
Unrestricted	(428,331)
Total Net Position	\$ 2,828,679

The School is in its planning year; therefore, a comparative government-wide financial analysis is not presented. The primary activities during the year was to secure proper facilities and necessary academic resources.

Change in Net Position

The School's net position decreased by approximately \$877,000 in fiscal year 2022—see table below.

	 2022
Revenue:	
Contributions and other revenues	\$ 39,552
Total revenues	 39,552
Expenses:	
Instruction	69,806
Board	82,060
General administration	120,000
School administration	452,388
Facilities acquisition and construction	28,844
Food services	7,104
Operation of plant	117,203
Community services	260
Interest	39,296
Total expenses	 916,961
Change in net position	\$ (877,409)

The School is in its planning year; therefore, a comparative government-wide financial analysis is not presented. During the planning stages key employees decide and plan academic and operation logistics.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL'S FUNDS

Governmental Funds

The focus of the School's governmental funds is to provide information on near term inflows, outflows, and balances of usable resources. Such information is useful in assessing School's financing requirements. Specifically, unassigned fund balance is a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As the School completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund deficit of approximately \$428,000.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

During the fiscal year, the School made no amendments to its budget. Generally, budget amendments fall into one of three categories: 1) amendments made to adjust the estimates that are used to prepare the original budget once exact information is available; 2) amendments made to recognize changes in funding amounts; and 3) changes in appropriations that become necessary to maintain services.

In the general fund, actual revenues exceeded budgeted amounts by approximately \$28,000. Expenditures were approximately \$23,000 more than budgeted amounts.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At the end of fiscal 2022, the School had invested approximately \$5.1 million in capital assets.

	_	2022
Land	\$	1,327,044
Land improvement		141,193
Building		3,000,575
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		54,928
Construction in progress		622,872
Total capital assets	\$_	5,146,612

More detailed information about the School's capital assets is presented in Note 3 to the financial statements.

Long-term Liabilities

The school has an outstanding promissory note, in the amount of approximately \$1,889,000. More detailed information about the School's long-term liabilities is presented in Note 4 to the financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

Budget Highlights for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Amounts available for appropriation in the general fund are approximately \$3.3 million, an increase over the actual 2022 amount.

Budgeted expenditures in the general fund are approximately \$3.3 million for 2023.

The increase to the budget is due to the School opening for the fiscal year 2023 and the anticipated activity of the school's first year of operations.

If these estimates are realized, the School's general fund balance is expected to increase slightly in fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

CONTACTING THE SCHOOL'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide interested parties with a general overview of the School's finances and to demonstrate the School's accountability for the money it receives. Should additional information be required, please contact the School's administrative offices at 5900 Fort Caroline Road Jacksonville, FL 32277.



Independent Auditor's Report

Jacksonville Classical Academy East, Inc. a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund information of Jacksonville Classical Academy East, Inc. (the 'School'), a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Jacksonville Classical Academy East, Inc. (the 'School'), a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the School's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 1-6 and 28-29 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 30, 2023, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2022

	Governme Activiti		
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	38,482	
Prepaid assets		1,809	
Capital assets:			
Land		1,327,044	
Buildings		3,000,575	
Land improvements		141,193	
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		54,928	
Construction in progress		622,872	
Total capital assets, net		5,146,612	
Total assets	\$	5,186,903	
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$	456,947	
Accrued expenses		11,675	
Long-term liabilities:			
Portion due or payable after one year:			
Note payable		1,889,602	
Total liabilities		2,358,224	
Net Position			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		3,257,010	
Unrestricted		(428,331)	
Total net position		2,828,679	
Total liabilities and net position	\$	5,186,903	

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

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Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Expenses				Progran	n Revenue	s		Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position			
				arges for services	Gran	erating nts and ributions	Gran	pital ts and ibutions	Governmental			Total
Governmental Activities:												
Instruction	\$	69,806	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(69,806)	\$	(69,806)
Board		82,060		-		-		-		(82,060)		(82,060)
General administration		120,000		-		-		-		(120,000)		(120,000)
School administration		452,388		-		-		-		(452,388)		(452,388)
Facilities acquisition and constructions		28,844		-		-		-		(28,844)		(28,844)
Food services		7,104		-		-		-		(7,104)		(7,104)
Operation of plant		117,203		-		-		-		(117,203)		(117,203)
Community services		260		_		-		-		(260)		(260)
Interest		39,296		-		-		_		(39,296)		(39,296)
Total primary government	\$	916,961	\$	-	\$	-	\$			(916,961)		(916,961)
	Gen	eral revenue	s:									
	(Contributions	and of	ther revenue	es					39,552		39,552
		Total gene	eral rev	venues						39,552		39,552
		Chang	es in n	net position						(877,409)		(877,409)
	Net	position at be	eginnin	ng of year						3,706,088		3,706,088
	Net	position at er	nd of ye	ear					\$	2,828,679	\$	2,828,679

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

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Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds

June 30, 2022

	General Fund
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents Prepaid assets	\$ 38,482 1,809
Total assets	\$ 40,291
Liabilities	
Accounts payable Accrued expenses	\$ 456,947 11,675
Total liabilities	468,622
Fund Balance(Deficit)	
Prepaid assets Spendable:	
Unassigned	(428,331)
Total fund balance (deficit)	(428,331)
Total liabilities and fund balance (deficit)	\$ 40,291

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Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Position

June 30, 2022

Total fund balance (deficit) - general fund

\$ (428,331)

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds. The cost of the assets at year end consisted of:

Capital assets 5,146,612

Long-term liabilities, including notes payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. Long-term liabilities at year end consist of:

Note payable (1,889,602)

Total net position - governmental activities

\$ 2,828,679

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances(Deficit) of Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	General Fund		Capital Projects Fund		Total Governmenta Funds	
Revenues						
Contributions and other revenues	\$	39,552	\$	-	\$	39,552
Total revenues		39,552				39,552
Expenditures						
Current:						
Instruction		69,806		-		69,806
Board		82,060		-		82,060
General administration School administration		120,000 452,388		-		120,000 452,388
Facilities acquisition and construction		28,844		-		28,844
Food services		7,104		- -		7,104
Operation of plant		117,203		_		117,203
Community services		260		-		260
Interest		39,296		-		39,296
Capital outlay				677,800		677,800
Total expenditures		916,961	,	677,800		1,594,761
Excess (deficiencies) of revenue						
over expenditures		(877,409)		(677,800)	(^	1,555,209)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Proceeds from issuance of debt		1,159,478		-	1	1,159,478
Operating transfer in		-		677,800		677,800
Operating transfer out		(677,800)				(677,800)
Total other financing sources		481,678		677,800		1,159,478
Net changes in fund balance(deficit)		(395,731)		-		(395,731)
Fund balances(deficit) at beginning of year		(32,600)				(32,600)
Fund balances (deficit) at end of year	\$	(428,331)	\$	-	\$	(428,331)

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

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Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances (Deficit) of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Net changes in fund balances (deficit) - governmental funds	\$ (395,731)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount incurred in the current period: Capital outlay	677,800
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt are reported as an other financial source in the governmental funds. However, in the statement of net position, the amount of funds borrowed is reported as an increase in long-term debt liabilities.	 (1,159,478)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ (877,409)

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Notes to Financial Statements

For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

1 ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization

Jacksonville Classical Academy East, Inc. (the "School"), is a not-for-profit corporation that operates under a charter approved by the sponsoring district, the District School Board of Duval County Florida (the "School Board"). The governing body of the School is the Board of Directors of School, which is composed of at least three members.

Charter Contract

The School operates under a charter effective July 1, 2022 which has an expiration date of June 30, 2027. Upon the expiration of the charter, the School Board may elect not to renew the charter under grounds specified in the charter. In this case, the School Board is required to notify the School in writing at least 90 days prior to the charter's expiration. However, the School Board may terminate the current charter at any time if good cause is shown. In the event of termination of the charter, any property purchased by the School with public funds and any unencumbered public funds revert to the School Board.

Basis of Presentation

Based on the guidance provided in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Audit and Accounting Guide – *Audits for States and Local Governments* and provisions in the Florida Statutes, the School is considered as a governmental organization for financial statement reporting purposes. The School is required by its agreement with the School Board to use the governmental reporting model and follow the fund and accounting structure provided in the "Financial and Program Cost Accounting and Reporting for Florida Schools – The Red Book" issued by the FDOE.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements provide both short-term and long-term information about the School in a manner similar to those of a private-sector business. The statement of net position and statement of activities are designed to provide financial information as a whole about the School on an accrual basis of accounting. The statement of net position provides information about the School's financial position, its assets and liabilities, using an economic resources measurement focus.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenue for each function or program of the School's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient for goods and services offered by the program, grants and contributions restricted for meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenue.

Fund Financial Statements

The governmental fund financial statements report detailed information about the School's most significant funds, not the School as a whole. A fund is a group of related accounts used to maintain control over resources segregated for specific activities or objectives. The School uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related requirements. Certain funds are established by law while others are created by grant agreements. The following are major individual governmental funds reported in the fund financial statements:

- <u>General Fund</u> is the School's primary operating fund that accounts for all financial resources of the school, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- <u>Capital Projects Fund</u> to account for all resources for the acquisition of capital items by the School purchased with capital outlay funds.

For the purpose of these statements, the general and capital projects funds are considered major funds.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses/expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reports 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 accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses/expenditures are recognized when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing the related cash flows take place.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues, except for certain grant revenues, are recognized when they become measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectable within a current period. The School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year. When grant terms provide that the expenditure of resources is the prime factor for determining eligibility for Federal, State, and other grant resources, revenues are recognized at the time the expenditure is made. Expenditures are recorded 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. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisition of capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Budgetary Basis Accounting

Budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting and the governing board must approve all budgets and amendments. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the object level. Budgets may be amended by resolution of the Board prior to the date of the annual report.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The School's cash consists of demand deposits, certificates of deposits and money market accounts with financial institutions.

As Florida Statutes and the School's policy require, all deposits must be made into and 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 the institution, the collateral eligible for pledge, and reporting requirements of the qualified public depositor to the treasurer is defined by the ability of the institution to guarantee deposits made by members of the pool should the need arise. The School also has deposits in institutions that are not qualified public depositories. These funds are fully insured by the FDIC as they fall under the mandatory insurance limits of \$250,000.

Capital Assets and Depreciation

The School's capital assets with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical cost and reported in the statement of net position in the government-wide financial statements. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair value on the date of donation. The School capitalizes assets with a cost of \$750 or more. Expenditures of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the assets value or extend the useful lives are not capitalized. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives of the assets are as follows:

	<u>rears</u>
Building	40
Leasehold improvements	10
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3-7

Interfund Transfers

The School reports its general fund and capital projects fund as major funds. For the year ended June 30, 2022, the general fund transferred approximately \$4,900,000 to capital projects fund for capital outlays.

Net Position and Fund Balance Classifications

Government-Wide financial statements

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Net Position is classified and reported in three components:

- <u>Investment in capital assets, net of related debt</u> consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings that are attributed to the acquisition or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted consists of amounts with constraints placed on their use either by external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments.
- <u>Unrestricted</u> all other amounts that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

Fund financial statements

GASB Codification Section 1800.142, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, defines the different types of fund balances that a governmental entity must use for financial reporting purposes. GASB requires the fund balance amounts to be reported within one of the following fund balance categories:

- <u>Nonspendable</u> fund balance associated with inventories, prepaid expenses, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed or assigned). All nonspendable fund balances at year end relate to assets that are in not spendable form.
- <u>Restricted</u> fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by the constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.
- <u>Committed</u> fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the School's Board of Governance.
- <u>Assigned</u> fund balance classification includes amounts that are intended to be used by the School's management for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.
- <u>Unassigned</u> fund balance that is the residual amount for the School's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

This statement also clarifies the definition of the special revenue fund to denote that the special revenue may be used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than trust for individual, private organizations or other governmental or for major capital projects) legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

A Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Order of Fund Balance Spending Policy

The School's policy is to apply expenditures against non-spendable fund balance, restricted fund balance, committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and unassigned fund balance at the end of the fiscal year. First, non-spendable fund balances are determined. Then restricted fund balances for specific purposes are determined (not including non-spendable amounts). Any remaining fund balance amounts for the non-general funds are classified as restricted fund balance. It is possible for non-general funds to be classified as restricted fund balance. It is also possible for the non-general funds to have negative unassigned fund balance when non-spendable amounts plus the restricted fund balances for specific purposes amounts exceed the positive fund balance for the non-general fund.

Revenue Sources

Revenues for operations are provided primarily from the District School Board of Duval County, Florida pursuant to the funding provisions included in the School's charter. In accordance with the funding provisions of the charter and Section 1002.22, Florida Statutes, the School reports the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the School District. The School Board receives a 5% administrative fee from the School, which is withheld from the respective Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) payments. The administrative expense is reflected as a general administration expense/expenditure in the accompanying statement of activities and statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances – governmental funds. The administrative fee is calculated on the FEFP revenue up to 250 students.

Under provisions of Section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, the District reports the number of students and related data to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) for funding through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP). Funding for the School is adjusted during the year to reflect the revised calculations by the FDOE under the FEFP and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students reported by the School during the designated full-time equivalent student survey period. The FDOE may also adjust subsequent fiscal period allocations based on an audit of the School's compliance in determining and reporting FTE and related data. Generally, such adjustments are treated as reductions or additions of revenues in the year when the adjustments are made.

The basic amount of funding through the FEFP under Section 1011.62 is calculated based on (1) unweighted FTE, multiplied by (2) the cost factor for each program multiplied by (3) the base student allocation established by the Florida legislature. Additional funds for exceptional students who do not have a matrix of services are provided through the guaranteed allocation designated in Section 1011.62(1)(e)2., Florida Statutes. For the year ended June 30, 2022, the School was in its planning year and as such had no reported FTE.

The School receives additional funding under other federal and state grants. This assistance is generally received based on applications submitted to various granting agencies. For federal and state grants in which funding is awarded based on incurring eligible expenditures, revenue is recognized as the amount of eligible expenditures have been incurred. During fiscal year 2022, the School had no federal or state grants, as the School was in its planning year.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Use of Estimates

In preparing the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the balance sheet and revenues and expenses/expenditures for the period presented. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In June 3017, the GASB issued Statement No. 87, *Leases*. This pronouncement establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this pronouncement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about a school's leasing activities. The cumulative effect of any changes implemented to conform to this pronouncement would be reported as a restatement of beginning net position and fund balance. The original effective implementation date was June 30, 2021. However, GASB Statement No. 95 postponed the implementation of this statement to be effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Management's adoption of this Statement did not result in any adjustments to the prior year's financial statements as the School is not currently engaged in leasing activities.

In June 3018, GASB issued Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred Before the End of a Construction Period*. This Statement would now require interest costs incurred before the end of construction period to be recognized as an expense in the period in which the cost is incurred under the economic resource measurement focus. The effective implementation date includes financial statements for the period ending June 30, 2022. The school had no interest costs incurred in the current year associated with the construction period in accordance with this Statement.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

2 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) define fair value for an investment generally as the price an organization would receive upon selling the investment in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market for the investment. The information available to measure fair value varies depending on the nature of each investment and its market or markets. Accordingly, GAAP recognizes a hierarchy of "inputs" an organization may use in determining or estimating fair value. The inputs are categorized into "levels" that relate to the extent to which an input is objectively observable and the extent to which markets exist for identical or comparable investments. In determining or estimating fair value, an organization is required to maximize the use of observable market data (to the extent available) and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The hierarchy assigns the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical items (Level 1 inputs) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 inputs).

The fair value hierarchy distinguishes between independent observable inputs and unobservable inputs used to measure fair value as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted market prices included within Level 1 that are observable for an asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs for an asset or liability. Level 3 inputs should be used to measure fair value to the extent that observable level 1 or 2 inputs are not available.

This statement requires disclosures to be made about fair value measurements, the level of fair value hierarchy, and valuation techniques. The School's significant financial instruments are cash, accounts payable, short term borrowings, and other short term assets and liabilities. For these financial instruments (level 1), carrying values approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

3 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2022 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance		 Additions	Disposals			Ending Balance		
Capital assets:									
Land	\$	1,327,044	\$ -	\$	-	\$	1,327,044		
Land improvements		141,193	-		-		141,193		
Construction in progress		-	622,872		-		622,872		
Buildings		3,000,575	-		-		3,000,575		
Furniture, fixtures and									
equipment		-	54,928		-		54,928		
Total capital assets		4,468,812	 677,800		-		5,146,612		

The school did not record depreciation expense in the current year as the assets are not yet placed in service.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

4 LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The School's long-term note payables as described below:

Unsecured note payable – principal balance of \$1,889,602, accrues interest at 0% and matures April 2028. Principal amount is due in full on the maturity date.

 1,889,602
\$ 1,889,602

The following is a summary of changes in the notes payable for the year ended June 30, 2022:

Balance outstanding at the beginning of the year Additions	\$ 667,449 1,222,153
Reductions	
Balance outstanding at the end of the year	\$ 1,889,602

Interest expense for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 total approximately \$13,000.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Future debt service related to the long-term liabilities is as follows as of June 30, 2022:

	 Principal	 Interest	Total		
Year ended June 30,	_	_		_	
2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	
2024	-	-		-	
2025	-	-		=	
2026	-	-		-	
2027	-	-		-	
2028-2032	 1,889,602	 		1,889,602	
Total	\$ 1,889,602	\$ 	\$	1,889,602	

5 SCHEDULE OF STATE AND LOCAL REVENUE SOURCES

The School was in its planning year; therefore, there was no FTE to report. As such, no state and local revenues are recorded in the accompanying statement of activities and statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund – governmental funds.

6 CONTRACTED SERVICE FEES PAYABLE

The School entered into a contractual agreement on September 1, 2021 with Optima Foundation, Inc. ("Service Provider"), a Florida non-profit corporation to provide consulting and administrative services to the School. The term of the agreement shall continue for a term that is concurrent with the term of the Charter contract. Under the terms of the agreement, the School shall pay a monthly service fee to the Service provider of twelve percent (12%) of the School's qualified gross revenues as defined by the agreement. Qualified gross revenues include various state, federal and local source revenues with certain exceptions.

In return for the fees, Optima Foundation shall be responsible for personnel oversight, facility operation and maintenance, finance and marketing functions of the School.

As the School was in its planning year, for the year ended June 30, 2022, the Service Provider provided to the School its resources and management services on a project basis. The School incurred service fees of \$150,000 that are reflected as a school administration expense/expenditure in the accompanying statements of activities and statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances-governmental funds.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

7 RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Workers' compensation coverage, health and hospitalization, general liability, professional liability and property coverage are being provided through purchased commercial insurance with minimum deductibles for each line of coverage. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not historically exceeded commercial coverage.

8 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Grants

The School participates in state and federal 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 receivable at year end may be impaired.

Management believes there are no significant contingent 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.

Legal matters

In the normal course of conducting its operations, the School occasionally becomes party to various legal actions and proceedings. If necessary, the School retains legal representation to address any such legal matters or proceedings. In the opinion of management and the School, if there are ongoing legal actions or proceedings, the ultimate resolution of such legal matters should not have a significant adverse effect on the accompanying financial statements.

9 INCOME TAXES

The School qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and is therefore, exempt from income taxes. Accordingly, no tax provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements. Additionally, no uncertain tax positions have been made requiring disclosure in the related notes to the financial statements.

10 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In accordance with GASB Codification Section 2250.106, the School has evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through June 30, 2023 which is the date the financial statements were available be issued.

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Required Supplementary Information

Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund

For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Budgeted Amounts							
		Original	Final		Actual		Variance	
REVENUES	_		_		_		_	
Revenues from Local Sources	\$	12,000	\$	12,000	\$	39,552	\$	27,552
Total revenues		12,000		12,000		39,552		27,552
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
Instruction		232,646		232,646		69,806		(162,840)
Pupil personnel services		1,373		1,373		-		(1,373)
Technology		20,958		20,958		-		(20,958)
Board		13,900		13,900		82,060		68,160
General administration		180,000		180,000		120,000		(60,000)
School administration		299,545		299,545		452,388		152,843
Facilities acquisition and construction		31,000		31,000		28,844		(2,156)
Food services		2,053		2,053		7,104		5,051
Operation of plant		73,494		73,494		117,203		43,709
Community services		-		-		260		260
Total expenditures		854,969		854,969		877,665		22,696
Excess (deficiency) of revenue								
over expenditures		(842,969)		(842,969)		(838,113)		4,856
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Operating transfer in		_		_		177,419		177,419
Operating transfer out		-		-		(677,800)		(677,800)
Total other financing sources		_		-		(500,381)		(500,381)
Net change in fund balance		(842,969)		(842,969)		(1,338,494)		(495,525)
Fund balance at beginning of year		(32,600)		(32,600)		(32,600)		-
Fund balance at end of year	\$	(875,569)	\$	(875,569)	\$	(1,371,094)	\$	(495,525)

See report of independent auditors.



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 of Jacksonville Classical Academy East, Inc. A Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Jacksonville Classical Academy East, Inc. (the "School), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2023.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the School's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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. We consider finding 2022-1 noted below to be a significant deficiency.

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

<u>Finding 2022-1 – Insufficient Recording of Disbursements Associated With the Construction Project in the School's Accounting Records</u>

During fiscal year 2022, the School's Board of Governance contracted a service provider to manage and record the accounting transactions in the accounting software (QuickBooks) as well as analyze and record any related party transactions. However, during our normal audit procedures, the auditor requested a debt confirmation from the Trustee of the Vestcor Foundation(Lender) to confirm the amount of debt that should be properly recorded on the financial statements. The confirmation was returned much later in the audit process indicating the amount of debt in the accounting records was significantly less than the confirmation. Additionally, there was an attachment providing each amount included in the total amount of debt. As a result, all of the transactions associated with this additional debt owed needed to be recorded in QuickBooks and new financial statements needed to be prepared. The amounts were significant. The service provider showed that it had requested the information from the Lender multiple times during the fiscal year 2022, and it was not provided. Also, the service provider would not have access to this information as the payments were disbursed directly by the Lender to the third party vendor.

Response to Findings

The school's response to the findings identified in our audit is included in the Written Statement of Explanation or Rebuttal on page 32. We did not audit the School's response and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Report on 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 financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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.

McCrady & Associates, PLLC

Altamonte Springs, Florida June 30, 2023

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Additional Information Required by Rules of the Auditor General, Chapter 10.850, Audits of Charter Schools and Similar Entities



Management Letter as Required by Rules of the Florida Auditor General, Chapter 10.850, Florida Statutes, *Charter School Audits*

To the Board of Directors of Jacksonville Classical Academy East, Inc., a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Jacksonville Classical Academy East, Inc. (the "School") as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2023.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards. Disclosures in that report, if applicable, which is dated, June 30, 2023, 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. As this is the first year audited, there is no prior year audit findings.

Official Title

Section 10.854(1)(e)5. Rules of the Auditor General, requires the name or official title of the entity be disclosed in this management letter. The official title of the entity is Jacksonville Classical Academy East. The School code is 5961.

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.

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

Transparency

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

Additional Matters

Section 10.854(1)(e)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address 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 note such findings nor did the school or management represent 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, applicable management, and the District School Board of Duval County and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Altamonte Springs, Florida June 30, 2023

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June 30, 2023

Dear Ms. McCrady,

I would like to make you aware that the governing board of Jacksonville Classical Academy, Inc. (JXC) and Jacksonville Classical Academy East, Inc. (JXCE) held a board meeting on June 29, 2023 at 9:45am to discuss and vote on the items below. All board items were approved unanimously.

- 1. Accepted the JXCE audit prepared by McGrady and Associates, dated June 30, 2022.
- 2. Accepted the finding 2022-1 prepared by McGrady and Associates.
- 3. Approved request that the Executive Director clarify in the school policies for JXC & JXCE (and report back to the board the changes), the following policy updates:
 - a. Related party transactions, which includes the lending of funds from Vestcor Family Foundation to JXCE, must be approved by the board in advance of entering into any related party transaction.
 - Loan disbursements to JXCE, and resulting loan balance, shall be reviewed and approved by the Board of JXCE in advance of the disbursement from Vestcor Family Foundation.
 - c. Any payments or disbursements must be made from a JXC or JXCE financial account. (Board vote with Mr. Rood abstaining.)
- 4. Approved a disbursement from Vestcor Family Foundation to JXCE for capital expenses and operating reserves, in the amount of \$250,000 which will result in a new outstanding loan balance of \$3,734,924.13.

Lindsay R. Hoyt

Its: Executive Director

Date: 6/30/2023