

**ROWLETT MIDDLE ACADEMY
(A CHARTER SCHOOL UNDER
WILLIAM MONROE ROWLETT ACADEMY
FOR ARTS & COMMUNICATION, INC.)**

**A CHARTER SCHOOL AND COMPONENT
UNIT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Rowlett Middle Academy
(a charter school under William Monroe Rowlett Academy for
Arts & Communication, Inc.), a charter school and component
unit of the School District of Manatee County, Florida

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Rowlett Middle Academy (the "Charter School"), a charter school under William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc., (a charter school and component unit of the School District of Manatee County, Florida), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Charter 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, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Charter School as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Charter 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.

Change in Accounting Principle

As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, in 2023, the Charter School adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Agreements*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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 Charter School's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Charter 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, budgetary comparison information and pension schedules as listed in the table of contents 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*

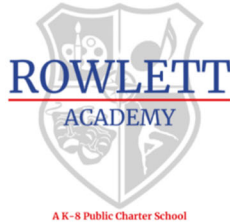
In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 10, 2023 on our consideration of the Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements 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 Charter School's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of Rowlett Middle Academy, a charter school under William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc., we offer readers of the financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Rowlett Middle Academy for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

Readers should review this Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) in addition to the financial statements and the accompanying notes to the financial statements to gain an understanding of Rowlett Middle Academy as an operating entity.

Operating Entity

Rowlett Middle Academy opened as a middle school in Manatee County in the 2017-2018 school year. During 2017, the School District of Manatee County (the "School District") approved it as a charter school which operates independently from the School District. Rowlett Middle Academy's charter is held by William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. which incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation. This is Rowlett Middle Academy's sixth year of operations.

Overview of the Financial Statements

The discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to Rowlett Middle Academy's financial statements. Rowlett Middle Academy's basic financial statements comprise three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of Rowlett Middle Academy's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on all of Rowlett Middle Academy's assets plus deferred outflows less deferred inflows and liabilities, with the difference between them reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of Rowlett Middle Academy is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how Rowlett Middle Academy's net position changed during the fiscal 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 the related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement from some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of Rowlett Middle Academy that are principally supported by grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs from other functions that are intended to recover a significant portion of their costs through user fees. The governmental activities of Rowlett Middle Academy include various functions as noted in the statement of activities; however, the majority of expenses are charged to the instruction, school administration, pupil personnel services, food services, pupil transportation, community services, and operation of plant functions.

The statement of net position presents information on all of the assets, deferred outflows, deferred inflows, and liabilities as of June 30, 2023. A condensed statement of net position compared to the prior year is shown below. Total assets consists mainly of cash and capital assets used to provide services to students. The majority of the liabilities include salaries and benefits payable as well as long-term debt as described in Note 3. As of June 30, 2023, Rowlett Middle Academy had a positive net position of \$1,583,143, which is the difference between total assets and deferred outflows less total liabilities and deferred inflows.

Condensed Statements of Net Position

	Governmental Activities		
	2023	2022	Change
Current and other assets	\$ 1,783,749	\$ 1,010,311	\$ 773,438
Right-to-use assets	65,186	141,368	(76,182)
Capital assets	3,619,782	3,058,057	561,725
Total assets	<u>5,468,717</u>	<u>4,209,736</u>	<u>1,258,981</u>
Deferred outflows	<u>2,077,756</u>	<u>2,243,867</u>	<u>(166,111)</u>
Current liabilities	1,010,477	718,098	292,379
Noncurrent liabilities	4,814,078	3,525,687	1,288,391
Total liabilities	<u>5,824,555</u>	<u>4,243,785</u>	<u>1,580,770</u>
Deferred intflows	<u>138,775</u>	<u>1,468,341</u>	<u>(1,329,566)</u>
Net position (deficit)			
Net investment in capital assets	1,811,186	1,172,218	638,968
Restricted	367,924	249,531	118,393
Unrestricted	(595,967)	(680,272)	84,305
Total net position (deficit)	<u>\$ 1,583,143</u>	<u>\$ 741,477</u>	<u>\$ 841,666</u>

Current and other assets is largely made up of cash and accounts receivable from the School District. Currently liabilities include accounts payable and accrued expenses, including amounts due to Rowlett Academy of \$456,795. Noncurrent liabilities include a mortgage payable and a net pension liability based on Rowlett Middle Academy's participation in the Florida Retirement System (FRS). The net pension liability increased \$1,540,552 during 2023 which was in part offset by decreased deferred inflows of \$1,329,566. The changes are a result of the investment performance of the FRS program through June 30, 2022.

The statement of activities presents information showing how Rowlett Middle Academy's net position increased by \$841,666 during the current year, which was an improvement of \$805,167. Revenues are largely a result of state and local revenue based on student allocation and taxes, as well as, revenues from food and community services. A significant portion of expenses are a result of payment of salaries and related benefits to teachers and administrative staff.

Condensed Statements of Activities

	Governmental Activities		
	2023	2022	Change
Revenues:			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 557,200	\$ 696,417	\$ (139,217)
	<u>557,200</u>	<u>696,417</u>	<u>(139,217)</u>
General revenues:			
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	8,094,621	6,242,873	1,851,748
Other revenue	4,046	14,896	(10,850)
Total general revenues	<u>8,098,667</u>	<u>6,257,769</u>	<u>1,840,898</u>
Total revenues	<u>8,655,867</u>	<u>6,954,186</u>	<u>1,701,681</u>
Expenses:			
Instruction	4,451,753	3,892,232	559,521
Pupil personnel services	546,776	396,509	150,267
Instructional media services	319,856	194,324	125,532
Instructional staff training	33,691	17,662	16,029
General administration	18,219	18,746	(527)
School administration	712,011	667,135	44,876
Professional services	236,488	117,993	118,495
Food services	300,704	282,970	17,734
Central services	47,494	38,528	8,966
Pupil transportation services	266,764	308,052	(41,288)
Operation of plant	710,916	745,215	(34,299)
Community services	85,253	82,357	2,896
Maintenance of plant	121,511	37,798	83,713
Interest	142,765	118,166	24,599
Total expenses	<u>7,994,201</u>	<u>6,917,687</u>	<u>1,076,514</u>
Transfers in (out)	<u>180,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>180,000</u>
Change in net position	841,666	36,499	805,167
Net Position - Beginning	741,477	704,978	36,499
Net Position - Ending	<u>\$ 1,583,143</u>	<u>\$ 741,477</u>	<u>\$ 841,666</u>

For Rowlett Middle Academy's sixth school year, revenues increased by \$1,701,681. The increase is largely due to an Employee Retention Credit and excess ESSER grant funding, as well as an increase in base funding of enrollment.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 10 and 11 of this report.

Fund 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. Rowlett Middle Academy, like other state and local government component units, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The individual generic fund type in Rowlett Middle Academy's financial statements are 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 financial statements, the governmental fund financial statements focus on inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating Rowlett Middle Academy's near term financing requirements.

Rowlett Middle Academy has four governmental funds: a General Fund, a Special Revenue Fund, a Capital Projects Fund and a Debt Service Fund. Rowlett Middle Academy has elected to report all four funds as major funds.

The General Fund is the general operating fund of Rowlett Middle Academy. The fund balance of the General Fund reported positive fund balance for the year in the amount of \$410,611, an increase of \$362,666 over the prior year fund balance. Revenues in the General Fund increased by \$1,824,263. The increase is largely due to an Employee Retention Credit and excess ESSER grant funding, as well as an increase in base funding of enrollment. Expenditures also increased by \$919,661 due to increased personnel costs.

The Special Revenue Fund accounts for activities of the food service program that serves breakfast and lunches to students. Fund balance for the Special Revenue Fund as of June 30, 2023 was \$367,924, which was an increase of \$118,393 over the prior year fund balance. Compared to 2022, revenues decreased \$112,582 and expenditures increased \$8,556 in 2023.

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all capital activity. Capital expenditures during the year were \$881,923 and consisted of computers and equipment and improvements in process for the auditorium.

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for all proceeds and payments, including interest, related to leases and long-term debt. Debt service for the current year totaled \$315,317.

The governmental fund financial statements including reconciliations to the government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 12 through 15 of this report.

Rowlett Middle Academy also reports Custodial Funds as a fiduciary fund type. Custodial funds are used to account for resources of Rowlett Middle Academy’s internal account funds and funds received from the Rowlett Middle Family Association which are used in connection with school, student, class, and club activities. The Custodial Funds’ financial statements can be found on page 16 and 17 of this report.

Notes to Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the basic financial statements can be found beginning on page 18 of this report.

Capital Assets

Below is a schedule of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2023 with comparative amounts as of June 30, 2022.

Capital Assets			
	Governmental Activities		
	2023	2022	Change
Land	\$ 484,235	\$ 454,235	\$ 30,000
Construction in progress	491,870	65,415	426,455
Leasehold improvements	2,102,261	2,111,973	(9,712)
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	541,416	426,434	114,982
Total (net of depreciation)	<u>\$ 3,619,782</u>	<u>\$ 3,058,057</u>	<u>\$ 561,725</u>

See Note 2 to the financial statements for a detail of the capital asset activity for the year.

Debt Administration

In 2017, William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. financed property on behalf of Rowlett Middle Academy with a mortgage with a financial institution in the amount of \$2,135,000. The amount outstanding at June 30, 2023 is \$1,802,598.

Rowlett Middle Academy has recognized its proportionate share of the FRS and HIS net pension liability in accordance with GASB Statement No. 68. At June 30, 2023, the net pension liability recognized by Rowlett Middle Academy was \$2,929,132, which is an increase over prior year of \$1,540,552 due to investment performance of the Plan through June 30, 2022.

See Note 3 to the financial statements for more details on the long-term liabilities.

General Fund and Special Revenue Fund Budgets

The Board of Directors closely monitors Rowlett Middle Academy's financial performance relative to the budget on a monthly basis. The Board of Directors makes formal budget amendments to approve changes as they monitor the bottom line for the overall financial effect on Rowlett Middle Academy.

For the General Fund, the original and final budgeted revenues were \$7,987,627 and \$8,734,087, respectively. Original and final budgeted expenditures were \$6,798,034 and \$6,787,872, respectively. Revenues were less than budget by \$469,054 due to expected Charter School Block Grant proceeds not received during the year. Expenditures were in excess of budgeted by \$178,738 largely due to personnel cost being greater than planned in the final budget.

For the Special Revenue Fund, the original and final budgeted revenues were \$233,700 and \$403,700, respectively. Original and final budgeted expenditures were \$231,058 and \$256,833, respectively. Revenues were less than budget by \$12,866. Expenditures were in excess of budget by \$15,608.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

The Board has approved an operating budget for the 2023-2024 academic year. The original budget demonstrates that Rowlett Middle Academy will have a budgeted increase in total fund balance of \$161,936 after debt service and transfers from Rowlett Academy.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Rowlett Middle Academy's finances for those with an interest in the entity's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Rowlett Middle Academy at the William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc., 400 30th Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida 34205.

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 STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 JUNE 30, 2023**

	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
ASSETS	
Current assets	
Cash	\$ 1,059,564
Accounts and grants receivable	674,639
Receivable from Rowlett Academy Custodial Funds	35,789
Prepaid expenses	7,592
Total current assets	1,777,584
Noncurrent assets	
Deposits	6,165
Right-to-use subscription asset, net of accumulated amortization	65,186
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	3,619,782
Total noncurrent assets	3,691,133
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5,468,717
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES – Pension	\$ 2,077,756
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 39,477
Payable to Custodial Funds	45,219
Payable to Rowlett Academy	456,795
Accrued expenses	462,017
Unearned revenue	1,706
Accrued interest	5,263
Total current liabilities	1,010,477
Noncurrent liabilities	
Due within one year	89,943
Due in more than one year	4,724,135
Total noncurrent liabilities	4,814,078
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 5,824,555
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES – Pension	\$ 138,775
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	1,811,186
Restricted	367,924
Unrestricted	(595,967)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 1,583,143

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

		Program Revenues			
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and Change In Net Position Total
Governmental Activities:					
Instruction	\$ 4,451,753	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (4,451,753)
Pupil personnel services	546,776	-	-	-	(546,776)
Instructional media services	319,856	-	-	-	(319,856)
Instructional staff training	33,691	-	-	-	(33,691)
General administration	18,219	-	-	-	(18,219)
School administration	712,011	-	-	-	(712,011)
Professional services	236,488	-	-	-	(236,488)
Food services	300,704	390,834	-	-	90,130
Central services	47,494	-	-	-	(47,494)
Pupil transportation services	266,764	-	-	-	(266,764)
Operation of plant	710,916	-	-	-	(710,916)
Community services	85,253	166,366	-	-	81,113
Maintenance of plant	121,511	-	-	-	(121,511)
Interest expense	142,765	-	-	-	(142,765)
Total Governmental Activities	7,994,201	557,200	-	-	(7,437,001)
General Revenues:					
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					8,094,621
Other revenue					4,046
Total General Revenue					8,098,667
Transfers:					
Transfers from Custodial Funds					70,000
Transfers from Rowlett Academy Custodial Funds					110,000
Total Transfers					180,000
Total General Revenue and Transfers					8,278,667
Change in net position					841,666
Net Position – Beginning of year					741,477
Net Position – End of year					\$ 1,583,143

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 BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 JUNE 30, 2023**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 691,640	\$ 367,924	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,059,564
Accounts and grants receivable	674,639	-	-	-	674,639
Receivable from Rowlett Academy Custodial Funds	35,789	-	-	-	35,789
Prepaid expenses	7,592	-	-	-	7,592
Deposits	6,165	-	-	-	6,165
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 1,415,825</u>	<u>\$ 367,924</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,783,749</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 39,477	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	39,477
Payable to Custodial Funds	45,219	-	-	-	45,219
Payable to Rowlett Academy	456,795	-	-	-	456,795
Accrued expenses	462,017	-	-	-	462,017
Unearned revenue	1,706	-	-	-	1,706
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>1,005,214</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,005,214</u>
Fund Balances:					
Nonspendable	13,757	-	-	-	13,757
Restricted	-	367,924	-	-	367,924
Unassigned	396,854	-	-	-	396,854
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>410,611</u>	<u>367,924</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>778,535</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 1,415,825</u>	<u>\$ 367,924</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,783,749</u>

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 RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 JUNE 30, 2023**

Fund Balances – Governmental Funds	\$	778,535
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

The right-to-use asset used in governmental activities is not a financial resource and, therefore, is not reported in the governmental funds

Subscriptions		65,186
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Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds		3,619,782
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Deferred outflows of resources related to pension are not recognized in the governmental funds; however, they are reported in the statement of net position		2,077,756
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Deferred inflows of resources related to pension are not recognized in the governmental funds; however, they are reported in the statement of net position		(138,775)
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Noncurrent liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds

Mortgage payable		(1,802,598)
Note payable		(5,998)
Net pension liability		(2,929,132)
Accrued interest		(5,263)
Compensated absences		(76,350)
		(76,350)

NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$	<u>1,583,143</u>
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 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
 BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total
REVENUES					
Federal through local	\$ 1,443,097	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,443,097
State through local	5,868,452	-	-	-	5,868,452
Local	953,484	390,834	-	-	1,344,318
Total Revenues	<u>8,265,033</u>	<u>390,834</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,655,867</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
Instruction	4,065,499	-	-	-	4,065,499
Pupil personnel services	516,854	-	-	-	516,854
Instructional media services	309,623	-	-	-	309,623
Instructional staff training	33,691	-	-	-	33,691
General administration	18,219	-	-	-	18,219
School administration	608,031	-	-	-	608,031
Professional services	228,551	-	-	-	228,551
Food services	-	272,441	-	-	272,441
Central services	44,715	-	-	-	44,715
Pupil transportation services	252,266	-	-	-	252,266
Operation of plant	688,013	-	-	-	688,013
Community services	79,637	-	-	-	79,637
Maintenance of plant	121,511	-	-	-	121,511
Capital outlay	-	-	881,923	-	881,923
Debt service					
Principal payments	-	-	-	218,611	218,611
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	96,706	96,706
Total Expenditures	<u>6,966,610</u>	<u>272,441</u>	<u>881,923</u>	<u>315,317</u>	<u>8,436,291</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	1,298,423	118,393	(881,923)	(315,317)	219,576
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Subscription asset	-	-	81,483	-	81,483
Transfers from Custodial Funds	70,000	-	-	-	70,000
Transfers from Rowlett Academy Custodial Funds	110,000	-	-	-	110,000
Transfers in (out)	(1,115,757)	-	800,440	315,317	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(935,757)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>881,923</u>	<u>315,317</u>	<u>261,483</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	362,666	118,393	-	-	481,059
FUND BALANCES – Beginning of year	<u>47,945</u>	<u>249,531</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>297,476</u>
FUND BALANCES – End of year	<u>\$ 410,611</u>	<u>\$ 367,924</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 778,535</u>

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 RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
 EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

Net change in fund balance – statement of revenues, expenditures
 and changes in fund balances – Governmental Funds \$ 481,059

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

In the statement of activities, the right-to-use asset from a lease or
 subscription agreement is amortized over its life. However, the
 right-to-use assets are not reported in the governmental funds.

Right-to-use lease asset decreases	(111,606)	
Amortization	<u>(29,762)</u>	(141,368)
Right-to-use subscription asset additions	81,483	
Less amortization	<u>(16,297)</u>	65,186

Governmental funds report capital outlay 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 by which depreciation was exceeded
 by capital additions in the current period.

Capital outlay as capital asset additions	881,923	
Less current depreciation	<u>(320,198)</u>	561,725

The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources
 to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal
 consumes the financial resources of governmental funds. Neither
 transaction, however, has any effect on net position.

Principal payments on mortgage payable		68,477
Principal payments on note payable		4,410
Principal payments on lease liability		145,724

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

Decrease in compensated absences		33,550
Decrease in deferred outflows – pension		(166,111)
Decrease in deferred inflows – pension		1,329,566
Increase in net pension liability		<u>(1,540,552)</u>

CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES \$ 841,666

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 STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION – FIDUCIARY FUNDS
 JUNE 30, 2023**

	Custodial Funds
ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 195,477
Accounts receivable	4,373
Accounts receivable – Rowlett Middle Academy	45,219
Accounts receivable – Rowlett Academy Custodial Funds	2,045
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 247,114
NET POSITION	
Restricted for clubs	\$ 247,114
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	\$ 247,114

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 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION – FIDUCIARY FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	Custodial Funds
ADDITIONS	
Contributions	\$ 8,897
TOTAL ADDITIONS	8,897
DEDUCTIONS	
Beneficiary payments to clubs	44,730
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	44,730
Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position before transfers	(35,833)
TRANSFERS	
Transfers to Rowlett Middle Academy	(70,000)
TOTAL TRANSFERS	(70,000)
Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position	(105,833)
Net position – beginning of year	352,947
Net position – ending	\$ 247,114

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

Rowlett Middle Academy, a charter school under William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc., operates as a middle school in Bradenton, Florida and is a component unit of the School District of Manatee County, Florida (the “School District”). The charter for Rowlett Middle Academy is held by William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. which is a not-for-profit organized pursuant to the Florida Not-for-Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, with a governing Board of Directors composed of five members.

The basic financial statements of Rowlett Middle Academy present only the balances, activity and disclosures related to Rowlett Middle Academy. They do not purport to, and do not present the financial position of William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. as of June 30, 2023, and its changes in financial position or budgetary comparisons, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Rowlett Middle Academy opened as a middle school in the 2017-18 school year in Manatee County. Rowlett Middle Academy is the second charter school operated under William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. The other school is Rowlett Academy which is an elementary school.

The general operating authority of Rowlett Middle Academy is contained in Chapter 1002.33, Florida Statutes. Rowlett Middle Academy operates under a charter of the sponsoring School District, the School District of Manatee County, Florida, which is effective through June 30, 2027. Rowlett Middle Academy is considered a component unit of the School District. Upon dissolution or termination of the charter, all of the property, furnishings and equipment purchased with public funds, in part or in whole, automatically revert to the School District.

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of Rowlett Middle Academy have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The GASB has issued a codification of governmental accounting and financial reporting standards. This codification and subsequent GASB pronouncements are recognized as GAAP for state and local governments, including Rowlett Middle Academy.

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

Rowlett Middle Academy’s financial statements include both government-wide (reporting on Rowlett Middle Academy as a whole) and fund financial statements. The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of Rowlett Middle Academy. The government-wide financial statements present governmental activities only. Rowlett Middle Academy has no business-type activities.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements – Continued

In the government-wide statement of net position, Rowlett Middle Academy recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term liabilities and obligations. Rowlett Middle Academy's net position is reported in three parts (as applicable): (1) net investment in capital assets; (2) restricted net position; and (3) unrestricted net position.

The government-wide statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function (or segment) are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function or segment, and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

The individual generic fund type in Rowlett Middle Academy's financial statements are governmental funds. The focus of the governmental fund's measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. Each governmental fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, deferred inflows, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures. Rowlett Middle Academy reports the following governmental funds in which have been elected to be reported as major funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of Rowlett Middle Academy and is used to account for all of its non-fiduciary financial resources and any activity not related to the other governmental funds.

The Special Revenue Fund accounts for activities of the food service program that serves breakfast and lunches to students.

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all capital activity.

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for all proceeds and payments, including interest, related to capital leases and long-term debt.

Additionally, Rowlett Middle Academy reports Custodial Funds which are a fiduciary fund type. The Custodial Funds are used to account for resources of Rowlett Middle Academy's internal account funds which are used in connection with school, student, class, and club activities.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

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 the related cash flows. Custodial funds are also reported using the accrual basis of accounting.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation – Continued

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available, if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current period. When grant terms provide that the expenditure of resources is the determining factor for eligibility for federal, state and other grant resources, revenue is recognized at the time the expenditure is made. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recognized only when payment is due.

Revenues for current operations received from the School District, pursuant to funding provisions included in Rowlett Middle Academy's charter are considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by Rowlett Middle Academy.

Cash

Rowlett Middle Academy's cash consists of deposits with financial institutions that are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000. At June 30, 2023 the carrying amount of Rowlett Middle Academy's deposits was \$1,059,564 and the bank balances were \$1,247,312. Additionally, at June 30, 2023, the carrying amount of the Custodial Funds' deposits were \$195,477 and the bank balances were \$194,709. At year end, Rowlett Middle Academy had bank balances in excess of FDIC limits of \$997,312.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, buildings, construction in progress, and furniture, fixtures and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements and are not reported in the fund financial statements. Capital assets are defined by Rowlett Middle Academy as any asset with an initial cost of more than \$750 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the life of the asset are not capitalized. All capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives. Useful lives vary from 7 to 20 years for buildings and improvements and 3 to 7 years for furniture, fixtures and equipment.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position includes a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This 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. One item qualifies for reporting in this category which is a deferred outflow of pension resources which will be recognized as either pension expense or a reduction of net pension liability in future reporting years. In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position includes a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This 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. One item qualifies for reporting in this category which is a deferred inflow of pension earnings which will be recognized as a reduction to pension expense in future reporting years.

Fund Equity

Fund equity at the governmental fund financial reporting level is classified as “fund balance.” Fund equity for all other reporting is classified as “net position.”

Fund Balance: Generally, fund balance represents the difference between the assets and liabilities under the current financial resources measurement focus of accounting. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which Rowlett Middle Academy is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

Fund balances are classified as follows:

- *Nonspendable:* Fund balances are reported as nonspendable when amounts cannot be spent because they are either: (1) not in spendable form (i.e., items that are not expected to be converted to cash) or (2) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Nonspendable fund balance at June 30, 2023 included prepaid expenses of 7,592 and deposits of \$6,165, which totals \$13,757.
- *Restricted:* Fund balances are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. Fund balance as of June 30, 2023 was restricted for food services in the amount of \$367,924.
- *Committed:* Fund balances are reported as committed when they can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraint imposed by formal action of the Board of Directors. Only the Board of Directors may modify or rescind the commitment.
- *Assigned:* Fund balances are reported as assigned when amounts are constrained by Rowlett Middle Academy’s intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Currently there is no one employee authorized to assign fund balances. As a result, only the Board of Directors are authorized to make assignments.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

Fund Equity – Continued

- *Unassigned:* Fund balances are reported as unassigned as the residual amount when balances do not meet any of the above criterion. Rowlett Middle Academy reports unassigned fund balance in the General Fund as of June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$396,854.

Net Position: Net position represents the difference between assets plus deferred outflows less liabilities and deferred inflows. Net investment in capital assets consist of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, laws or regulations. Net position not reported as net investment in capital assets and restricted net position, is reported as unrestricted net position.

Flow Assumptions: When both restricted and unrestricted amounts of fund balance/net position are available for use for expenditures/expenses incurred, it is Rowlett Middle Academy's policy to use restricted amounts first and then unrestricted amounts as they are needed. For unrestricted amounts of fund balance, it is Rowlett Middle Academy's policy to first use committed, assigned and then unassigned.

Budgetary Information

An annual budget was adopted for Rowlett Middle Academy on the modified accrual basis of accounting which is used to account for the activity in the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund. Appropriations are controlled at the fund level and all annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

Revenue Sources

Revenues for current operations are received primarily from the School District, pursuant to the funding provisions included in Rowlett Middle Academy's charter. In accordance with the funding provisions of the charter and Chapter 1002.33(17), Florida Statutes, Rowlett Middle Academy reports the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the School District. Under the provisions of Chapter 1011.62, Florida Statutes, the School District reports the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) for funding through the Florida Education Finance Program. Funding for Rowlett Middle Academy is adjusted during the year to reflect the revised calculations by the FDOE under the Florida Education Finance Program and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students reported by Rowlett Middle Academy during the designated full-time equivalent student survey periods.

Rowlett Middle Academy also receives Federal, State and local awards for the enhancement of various educational programs. Awards are generally received based on applications submitted to and approved by the respective granting agencies. Rowlett Middle Academy also receives donations and charges for services related to food services and after-care.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Florida Retirement System (FRS) (which includes FRS and HIS) and additions to/deletions from FRS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by FRS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments in the cost-sharing multi-employer plan are reported at fair value (see Note 7).

Estimates

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

Change in Accounting Principle

Effective July 1, 2022, Rowlett Middle Academy adopted new accounting guidance by implementing the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements* (GASB No. 96), which requires recognition of intangible right-to-use subscription assets and subscription liabilities. Under GASB Statement No. 96, the right-to-use subscription assets and related subscription liability are solely reported in the statement of net position.

The adoption of GASB Statement No. 96 had no effect on net position or fund balance, as initially reported.

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NOTE 2 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 454,235	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ 484,235
Construction in progress	65,415	426,455	-	491,870
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>519,650</u>	<u>456,455</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>976,105</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	2,668,768	111,606	-	2,780,374
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	1,211,598	313,862	-	1,525,460
Total capital assets being depreciated	3,880,366	425,468	-	4,305,834
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	556,795	121,318	-	678,113
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	785,164	198,880	-	984,044
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>1,341,959</u>	<u>320,198</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,662,157</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>2,538,407</u>	<u>105,270</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,643,677</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 3,058,057</u>	<u>\$ 561,725</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,619,782</u>

Depreciation expense in the amount of \$320,198 for the year ended June 30, 2023, was allocated to the following governmental functions:

Instruction	\$ 238,594
School Administration	53,763
Food Services	14,958
Operation of Plant	12,883
	<u>\$ 320,198</u>

Rowlett Middle Academy also has recognized a right-to-use lease asset (see Notes 3 and 4). Right-to-use lease asset activity for fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:				
Lease Asset				
Equipment	\$ 171,130	\$ -	\$ (171,130)	\$ -
Less accumulated amortization for:				
Equipment	(29,762)	(29,762)	59,524	-
Total right-to-use lease asset, net	<u>\$ 141,368</u>	<u>\$ (29,762)</u>	<u>\$ (111,606)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Amortization expense related to leases for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$29,762 and is included in interest expense in the statement of activities.

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NOTE 2 – CAPITAL ASSETS – CONTINUED

Rowlett Middle Academy has recognized a right-to-use subscription asset (see Notes 3 and 5). Right-to-use subscription asset activity for fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental Activities:				
Subscription Asset				
Instruction software	\$ -	\$ 81,483	\$ -	\$ 81,483
Less accumulated amortization for:				
Instruction software	-	(16,297)	-	(16,297)
Total right-to-use subscription asset, net	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 65,186</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 65,186</u>

Amortization expense related to the subscription for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$16,297 and is included in interest expense in the statement of activities.

NOTE 3 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Mortgage Payable

During 2017, William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. financed the purchase of land and a building for Rowlett Middle Academy with a \$2,135,000 mortgage with a financial institution. The mortgage bears an initial interest rate of 4.5%. Rowlett Middle Academy is required to make equal monthly installments of principal and interest of \$11,867.

On February 16, 2022, the monthly payments and interest were adjusted to an amount to fully amortize the outstanding principal balance with the final payment due February 16, 2027. Additionally, on February 16, 2022, the interest rate was adjusted to a rate equal to the current index (3.01% at June 30, 2023), plus 300 basis points. The mortgage is secured with real property and other assets held by William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. on behalf of Rowlett Middle Academy.

Future maturities on the mortgage are as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	\$ 64,857	\$ 75,557	\$ 140,414
2025	67,668	72,746	140,414
2026	70,600	69,814	140,414
2027	1,599,473	39,320	1,638,793
	<u>\$ 1,802,598</u>	<u>\$ 257,437</u>	<u>\$ 2,060,035</u>

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In accordance with the mortgage agreement, default is defined as (i) failure to pay or perform any obligation, liability or indebtedness of any of obligors to the bank, whether under the mortgage or any other agreement, note or instrument now or hereafter existing, on or before ten (10) days from date due (with certain exceptions); (ii) the failure to pay or perform any other obligation, liability or indebtedness of any obligors, the security for which constitutes an encumbrance on the security for this note; (iii) a proceeding being filed or commenced against any of obligors for dissolution or liquidation, or any of obligors voluntarily or involuntarily terminating or dissolving or being terminated or dissolved; (iv) insolvency of, business failure of, the appointment of a custodian, trustee, liquidator or receiver for or for any of the property of, or an assignment for the benefit of creditors by, or the filing of a petition under bankruptcy, insolvency or debtor's relief law or for any adjustment of indebtedness, of, or an assignment for the benefit of creditors by, or the filing of a petition under bankruptcy, insolvency or debtor's relief law or for any adjustment of indebtedness, composition or extension by or against any obligors; (v) any attachment, lien or additional security interest being placed upon any of the property which is security for this note; (vi) acquisition at any time or from time to time of title to the whole of or any part of the property which is security for this note by any person, partnership, corporation or other entity other than any of obligors; (vii) bank determining that any representation or warranty made by any of obligors to bank is, or was, untrue or materially misleading; (viii) any default under the security documents, (ix) entry of a judgment against any obligor in excess of \$15,000 which is not satisfied, stayed or appealed within thirty (30) days after entry; or, (x) the failure of any obligor to timely provide to bank any financial information required of such obligor pursuant to any document executed by such obligor in connection with this note.

Whenever there is a default under this note (a) the entire balance outstanding hereunder and all other obligations of obligors to bank shall, at the option of the bank, become forthwith due and payable, without presentment, notice, protest or demand of any kind for the payment of the whole or any part hereof (all of which are expressly waived by obligors), and/or (b) to the extent permitted by law, the rate of interest on the unpaid principal shall, at the option of the bank, be increased to the maximum rate allowed by law, or if none, 25% per annum (the "default rate") of which default rate shall be equally applicable to any judgment entered hereon; and/or (c) to the extent permitted by law, a delinquency charge may be imposed in an amount not to exceed five percent (5%) of any installment payment in default for more than ten (10) days.

In the case of an event of default for which bank does not accelerate this note, the bank may elect to increase the then applicable interest rate charged hereon by an additional one percent (1.0%) for a period beginning three (3) business days after written notice of such event of default is given to obligor and ending upon curing of the event of default. The bank shall have the right, at its option, during the period for which such event of default remains uncured, to continue to increase the rate charged hereon by an additional one percent (1.0%) for every successive thirty (30) day period for which such event of default continues. On the date the event of default is cured, the interest rate shall revert to the then applicable rate stated herein.

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NOTE 3 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES – CONTINUED

Note Payable

During 2020, William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. entered into a note agreement with a financial institution on behalf of Rowlett Middle Academy for musical instruments. The note charges interest at an effective rate of 12.3%.

In accordance with the note agreement, default is defined as (a) failure to may payments by their due date, (b) failure to comply with terms and conditions of the agreement, (c) go out of business or become solvent, (d) allow a controlling interest, (e) enter into merger or reorganization, or (f) allow a blocked person to have an ownership interest. In the case of an event of default, the lender has the right to take any or all of the following actions: (i) authorization of an ACH debit any payments or amounts due. (ii) repossess or disable the products, (iii) file a lawsuit to collect the sum of all past due amounts, future amounts due (at a discounted rate of 3% per annum), plus any other amounts due.

Future maturities on the note payable are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 5,998	\$ 508	\$ 6,506
	<u>\$ 5,998</u>	<u>\$ 508</u>	<u>\$ 6,506</u>

Compensated absences

Rowlett Middle Academy allows retiring employees to be paid their unused balance of PTO from 0% to 100%, depending on length of service. Additionally, twelve-month employees can be paid up to 480 hours of unused vacation time upon retirement.

Other Long-Term Liabilities

The lease liability is described in Note 4, the subscription liability is described in Note 5 and the net pension liability is described in Note 7.

Long-term liability activity during the year was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Within One Year
Mortgage payable	\$ 1,871,075	\$ -	\$ (68,477)	1,802,598	\$ 64,857
Note payable	10,408	-	(4,410)	5,998	5,998
Lease liability	145,724	-	(145,724)	-	-
Subscription liability	-	81,483	(81,483)	-	-
Compensated absences	109,900	99,357	(132,907)	76,350	19,088
Net pension liability	1,388,580	2,003,975	(463,423)	2,929,132	-
	<u>\$ 3,525,687</u>	<u>\$ 2,184,815</u>	<u>\$ (896,424)</u>	<u>\$ 4,814,078</u>	<u>\$ 89,943</u>

Compensated absences and the net pension liability are liquidated from the General Fund. All other long-term liabilities are liquidated from the debt service fund.

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NOTE 4 – LEASES

During 2020, Rowlett Middle Academy entered into a lease agreement for a new chiller in the amount of \$200,646. The lease bears an interest rate of 6.45% and requires monthly payments of \$2,975. The lease liability was paid in advance during 2023 and the chiller was purchased from the lessor, thus terminating the lease agreement. The chiller was reclassified from a right-to-use asset to a capital asset.

The lease expense for the year ended June 30, 2023 was as follows:

Lease expense	
Amortization expense by class of underlying asset	
Equipment	\$ 29,762
Total amortization expense	<u>29,762</u>
Interest on lease liability	8,608
Total lease expense	<u><u>\$ 38,370</u></u>

NOTE 5 – SUBSCRIPTION-BASED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARRANGEMENTS

Effective July 1, 2023, Rowlett Middle Academy entered into a subscription-based information technology agreement for instruction software in the amount of \$81,483 which was paid in advance during 2023.

The subscription expense for the year ended June 30, 2023 was as follows:

Subscription expense	
Amortization expense by class of underlying asset	
Instruction software	\$ 16,297
Total amortization expense	<u>16,297</u>
Interest on subscription liability	1,557
Total subscription expense	<u><u>\$ 17,854</u></u>

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NOTE 6 – SCHEDULE OF REVENUE SOURCES

The following is a schedule of revenue sources and amounts:

Federal through local	
IDEA, Part B, Entitlement	\$ 15,426
Title II	3,900
Title IV	12,289
ESSER II	138,954
ESSER III	606,506
Employee Retention Credit	666,022
	1,443,097
State through local	
Base funding of enrollment	3,519,468
ESOL	17,068
Exceptional student education	189,008
Supplemental academic instruction	162,997
Safe Schools	46,397
Class size adjustment	601,051
Reading allocation	33,726
Instruction materials	52,592
Transportation	179,532
Florida Teach Lead	12,207
Mental Health	30,689
Charter School Capital Outlay	361,361
School Recognition Funds	123,177
Teacher Salary Allocation	162,574
Sales Tax grants	370,605
Other	6,000
	5,868,452
Local	
After school care	166,366
Food services	390,834
Referendum Millage	742,054
REACH grant	35,492
Rental income	4,046
Grants	5,000
Interest on investments	526
	1,344,318
Total Revenues	\$ 8,655,867

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NOTE 7 – RETIREMENT PLAN – FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Plan Description

All part-time and full-time permanent employees of Rowlett Middle Academy are provided with pensions through the Florida Retirement System (FRS) which is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement. The State of Florida issues a publicly available annual comprehensive financial report that can be obtained at:

<https://www.myfloridacfo.com/transparency/state-financial-reports/FL-ACFR>

Under this system, there are two defined benefit pension plans: The Florida Retirement System Pension Plan and the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy Program:

- The Florida Retirement System (FRS) Pension Plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer qualified defined benefit pension plan with a Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) available for eligible employees. The FRS was established and is administered in accordance with Chapter 121, Florida Statutes.
- The Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy Program (HIS) is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with section 112.363, Florida Statutes.

Benefits Provided

The FRS provides retirees a lifetime pension benefit with joint and survivor payment options. Benefits under the FRS 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.

Plan Provisions

If first employed prior to July 1, 2011: Normal retirement age for “regular” employees is 62 or 30 years of service and vesting occurs after 6 years of creditable service. The average final compensation is the average of the five highest fiscal years’ earnings.

If first employed on or after July 1, 2011: Normal retirement age for “regular” employees is 65 or 33 years of service and vesting occurs after 8 years of creditable service. The average final compensation is the average of the eight 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 the retirement plan and/or class to which the member belonged when the service credit was earned.

Under the HIS Plan, the benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees in paying their health insurance costs. Eligible retirees and beneficiaries receive a monthly HIS payment equal to the number of years of service credited at retirement multiplied by \$5. The minimum payment is \$30 and the maximum payment is \$150 per month, pursuant to section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree must provide proof of eligible health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

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NOTE 7 – RETIREMENT PLAN – FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM – CONTINUED

Contributions Required and Made

Per Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, contribution requirements of the active employees and the participating employers are established and may be amended by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement. Effective July 1, 2011, both employees and employers of the FRS are required to make contributions to establish service credit for work performed in a regularly established position. The Florida Legislature established a uniform contribution rate system for the FRS. The uniform rates are based on the class an employee is placed into, which require employees to contribute 3% and employers to contribute based on class. Rowlett Middle Academy's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2023 was 11.91% for regular employees and 18.60% for employees in the DROP program of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Contributions to the pension plan from Rowlett Middle Academy were \$250,650 for the year ended June 30, 2023, which equaled required contributions and approximated 11.18% of covered payroll.

The HIS Program is funded by required contributions of 1.66% and is included in the contribution rates noted above.

As of June 30, 2023, Rowlett Middle Academy had employee and employer contributions totaling \$21,391 due to the FRS Plan.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2023, Rowlett Middle Academy reported a liability of \$2,929,132 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability which includes both FRS and HIS. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. Rowlett Middle Academy's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined.

At June 30, 2022, Rowlett Middle Academy's proportion was 0.005528050% for FRS and 0.008235328% for HIS which was consistent with its proportion measured in the previous year.

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – Continued

Pertaining to the June 30, 2022 measurement, Rowlett Middle Academy recognized pension expense of \$691,007. Additionally, Rowlett Middle Academy reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	FRS		HIS	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 97,690	\$ -	\$ 26,475	\$ 3,838
Changes in assumptions	253,314	-	49,998	134,937
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	135,815	-	1,263	-
Change in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	701,179	-	498,110	-
Rowlett Middle Academy contributions subsequent to the June 30, 2022 measurement date	260,094	-	53,818	-
	<u>\$ 1,448,092</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 629,664</u>	<u>\$ 138,775</u>

Total deferred outflows were \$2,077,756 and total deferred inflows were \$138,775. \$260,094 (FRS) and \$53,818 (HIS) reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Rowlett Middle Academy contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year ending June 30:</u>	FRS	HIS
2024	\$ 211,757	\$ 68,348
2025	211,757	68,348
2026	211,757	68,348
2027	211,757	68,348
2028	211,757	68,346
Thereafter	129,213	95,333
	<u>\$1,187,998</u>	<u>\$ 437,071</u>

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the July 1, 2022 actuarial valuation (June 30, 2022 measurement date) was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.40 percent
Salary increases	3.25 percent, including inflation
Investment rate of return	6.70 percent, including inflation at 2.40%

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NOTE 7 – RETIREMENT PLAN – FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM – CONTINUED

Actuarial Assumptions – Continued

Mortality assumptions for the FRS pension plan were based on the PUB-2010 base table, projected generationally with Scale MP-2018, and mortality assumptions for the HIS program were based on the Generational PUB-2010 with Projection Scale MP-2018.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study performed for the period July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2018. Because the HIS is funded on a pay-as-you-go basis, no experience study has been completed for that Plan, but were based on certain results of the most recent experience study for the FRS Plan.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments consists of two building block components: 1) a real (in excess of inflation) return of 4.20%, consistent with the 4.38 percent real return from the capital market outlook model developed by the FRS consulting actuary, Milliman; and 2) a long-term average annual inflation assumption of 2.40 percent as adopted in October 2022 by the FRS Actuarial Assumption Conference. The table below shows the assumptions for each of the asset classes in which the plan was invested at that time based on the long-term target asset allocation. These assumptions are not based on historical returns, but instead are based on a forward-looking capital market economic model.

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Annual Arithmetic Return</u>
Cash	1.0%	2.6%
Fixed income	19.8%	4.4%
Global equity	54.0%	8.8%
Real estate	10.3%	7.4%
Private equity	11.1%	12.0%
Strategic investments	3.8%	6.2%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total FRS pension liability was 6.70%. The HIS rate increased from 2.16% to 3.54% in the most recent actuarial study. The HIS rate is based on the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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NOTE 7 – RETIREMENT PLAN – FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM – CONTINUED

Actuarial Assumptions – Continued

The following changes in actuarial assumptions occurred in the 2022 valuation:

- FRS: The discount rate and long-term expected rate of return, net of investment expense was decreased from 6.80% to 6.70%.
- HIS: The municipal bond rate used to determine total pension liability increased from 2.16% to 3.54%; the demographic assumptions for the Special Risk class were updated to reflect plan changes due to HB5007, HB689, and SB838; and the election assumption for vested terminated members was updated from 20% to 50% to reflect recent experience.

Sensitivity of Rowlett Middle Academy’s Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents Rowlett Middle Academy’s proportionate share of the FRS net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.70%, as well as what Rowlett Middle Academy’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1–percentage–point lower (5.70 percent) or 1–percentage–point higher (7.70 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (5.70%)	Discount Rate (6.70%)	1% Increase (7.70%)
Rowlett Middle Academy’s proportionate share of the FRS net pension liability	\$ 3,557,231	\$ 2,056,879	\$ 802,436

The following presents the Rowlett Middle Academy’s proportionate share of the HIS net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 3.54%, as well as what Rowlett Middle Academy’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1–percent–point lower (2.54%) or 1–percentage–point higher (4.54%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (2.54%)	Discount Rate (3.54%)	1% Increase (4.54%)
Rowlett Middle Academy’s proportionate share of the HIS net pension liability	\$ 997,929	\$ 872,253	\$ 768,258

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Rowlett Middle Academy’s proportion of net position has been determined on the same basis as each Plan. Detailed information about the pension plan’s fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of Florida annual comprehensive financial report.

Aggregate Information for Retirement Plans

	Deferred Outflows	Net Pension Liability	Deferred Inflows
FRS	\$ 1,448,092	\$ 2,056,879	\$ -
HIS	629,664	872,253	138,775
	\$ 2,077,756	\$ 2,929,132	\$ 138,775

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NOTE 8 – DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PLAN – FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM

In addition to Rowlett Middle Academy's participation in the FRS defined benefit pension plan, some employees of Rowlett Middle Academy have elected to participate in the FRS' alternative pension plan which is a defined contribution plan officially titled the Florida Retirement System Investment Plan (Investment Plan) administered by the State Board of Administration (SBA).

The Florida Legislature establishes and amends the contribution requirements and benefit terms of the plan. The Investment Plan is administered by the State Board of Administration, which is also the plan sponsor. Costs of administering the plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.06% of payroll and by forfeited benefits of plan members.

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. 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 the 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.

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 for total and permanent disability. 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, or remain in the Investment Plan and rely on that account balance for retirement income.

Similar to the defined benefit plan, employees are required to contribute 3% and employers are required to contribute based on class. Rowlett Middle Academy's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2023 was 11.91% for regular employees and 18.60% for employees in the DROP program of annual payroll. Contributions are directed to the individual member accounts, and individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices.

During 2023, Rowlett Middle Academy employer contributions totaled \$109,451. As of June 30, 2023, Rowlett Middle Academy had employee and employer contributions totaling \$12,900 due to the Investment Plan.

NOTE 9 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. operates Rowlett Academy (an elementary school) and Rowlett Middle Academy, which like Rowlett Middle Academy has Custodial Funds. At June 30, 2023, Rowlett Middle Academy owed Rowlett Academy \$456,795.

Rowlett Middle Academy has a receivable from the Rowlett Academy Custodial Funds at June 30, 2023 of \$35,789 and received transfers during the year totaling \$110,000.

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NOTE 9 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS – CONTINUED

Additionally, the Rowlett Middle Academy owed its own Custodial Funds \$45,219 as of June 30, 2023 and received transfers during the year totaling \$70,000.

The Custodial Funds had a receivable at June 30, 2023 from Rowlett Academy Custodial Funds of \$2,045.

NOTE 10 – RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

Rowlett Middle Academy is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and injuries to employees for which Rowlett Middle Academy has purchased commercial insurance. Rowlett Middle Academy has not had any reduction in insurance coverage and the amount of claims resulting from these risks has not exceeded insurance coverage for the last three years.

NOTE 11 – EMPLOYEE RETENTION CREDIT

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act enacted on November 15, 2021 provided an Employee Retention Credit (ERC) which is a refundable tax credit against certain employment taxes equal to 50% of the qualified wages an eligible employer pays to employees after March 12, 2020, and before January 1, 2021. Rowlett Middle Academy was eligible to receive an employee retention credit totaling \$666,022. The credit is reported in the General Fund as federal through local revenues during the year ended June 30, 2023 in the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances and as grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs in the statement of activities.

NOTE 12 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Rowlett Middle Academy has evaluated all subsequent events through October 10, 2023, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

GENERAL FUND				
REVENUES	ORIGINAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE
Federal through local	\$ 1,300,686	\$ 1,300,686	\$ 1,443,097	\$ 142,411
State through local	5,198,379	5,269,829	5,868,452	598,623
Local	1,488,562	2,163,572	953,484	(1,210,088)
Total Revenues	<u>7,987,627</u>	<u>8,734,087</u>	<u>8,265,033</u>	<u>(469,054)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Instruction	4,099,526	4,025,939	4,065,499	(39,560)
Pupil personnel services	445,592	485,167	516,854	(31,687)
Instructional media services	263,162	268,662	309,623	(40,961)
Instructional staff training	86,159	86,159	33,691	52,468
General administration	18,660	18,660	18,219	441
School administration	546,996	546,996	608,031	(61,035)
Professional services	156,077	160,727	228,551	(67,824)
Central services	39,513	39,513	44,715	(5,202)
Pupil transportation services	285,679	299,379	252,266	47,113
Operation of plant	709,692	709,692	688,013	21,679
Community services	89,958	89,958	79,637	10,321
Maintenance of plant	57,020	57,020	121,511	(64,491)
Total Expenditures	<u>6,798,034</u>	<u>6,787,872</u>	<u>6,966,610</u>	<u>(178,738)</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	1,189,593	1,946,215	1,298,423	(647,792)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers, net	160,967	60,967	(935,757)	(996,724)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	1,350,560	2,007,182	362,666	(1,644,516)
FUND BALANCE - Beginning of year	47,945	47,945	47,945	-
FUND BALANCE - End of year	<u>\$ 1,398,505</u>	<u>\$ 2,055,127</u>	<u>\$ 410,611</u>	<u>\$ (1,644,516)</u>

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 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND				
REVENUES	ORIGINAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE
Local	\$ 233,700	\$ 403,700	\$ 390,834	\$ (12,866)
Total Revenues	233,700	403,700	390,834	(12,866)
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Food services	231,058	256,833	272,441	(15,608)
Total Expenditures	231,058	256,833	272,441	(15,608)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	2,642	146,867	118,393	(28,474)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers, net	-	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	2,642	146,867	118,393	(28,474)
FUND BALANCE - Beginning of year	249,531	249,531	249,531	-
FUND BALANCE - End of year	\$ 252,173	\$ 396,398	\$ 367,924	\$ (28,474)

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NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – BUDGET

NOTE 1 – BUDGETARY INFORMATION

An annual budget was adopted for Rowlett Middle Academy on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The budget included the activities of the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund. Appropriations are controlled at the fund level and all annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

General Fund revenues were less than of budget in the amount of \$469,054 due to expected Charter School Block Grant proceeds not received during the year. Expenditures were in excess of budget in the amount of \$178,738, largely due to personnel cost being greater than initially planned.

Special Revenue Fund revenues were less than budget in the amount of \$12,866 and expenditures were in excess of budget in the amount of \$15,608.

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SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE
NET PENSION LIABILITY – FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM (FRS)
Last Six Fiscal Years *

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.000000000%	0.000000000%	0.001347383%	0.004582146%	0.005417027%	0.005528050%
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 464,020	\$ 1,985,970	\$ 409,195	\$ 2,056,879
Charter School's covered payroll	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,067,500	\$ 2,020,638	\$ 2,091,037	\$ 2,241,107
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	0%	0%	22%	98%	20%	92%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	83.89%	84.26%	82.61%	78.85%	96.40%	82.89%

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SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE
NET PENSION LIABILITY – RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDY**

RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDY PROGRAM (HIS)
Last Six Fiscal Years *

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Charter School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.000000000%	0.000000000%	0.001989889%	0.007357194%	0.007984225%	0.008235328%
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 222,649	\$ 898,301	\$ 979,385	\$ 872,253
Charter School's covered payroll	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,067,500	\$ 2,020,638	\$ 2,091,037	\$ 2,241,107
Charter School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	0%	0%	11%	44%	47%	39%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	1.64%	2.15%	2.63%	3.00%	3.56%	4.81%

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SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL'S CONTRIBUTIONS – FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

	FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM (FRS) Last Six Fiscal Years *					
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Contractually required contribution **	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 41,779	\$ 152,244	\$ 206,365	\$ 235,892
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	-	-	41,779	152,244	206,365	235,892
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Charter School's covered payroll	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,067,500	\$ 2,020,638	\$ 2,091,037	\$ 2,241,107
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.00%	0.00%	2.02%	7.53%	9.87%	10.53%

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SCHEDULE OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL'S CONTRIBUTIONS - RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDY**

RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDY PROGRAM (HIS)
Last Six Fiscal Years *

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Contractually required contribution **	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,050	\$ 42,396	\$ 46,931	\$ 49,831
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	-	-	11,050	42,396	46,931	49,831
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Charter School's covered payroll	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,067,500	\$ 2,020,638	\$ 2,091,037	\$ 2,241,107
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.53%	2.10%	2.24%	2.22%

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ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS

Actuarial assumptions for both defined benefit plans (FRS and HIS) are reviewed annually by the Florida Retirement System Actuarial Assumptions Conference. The FRS Pension Plan has a valuation performed annually. This HIS Program has a valuation performed biennially that is updated for GASB reporting in the year a valuation is not performed. The most recent experience study for the FRS Pension Plan was completed for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2018. Because the HIS Program is funded on a pay-as-you-go basis, no experience study has been completed for this program. The actuarial assumptions that determined the total pension liability for the HIS program were based on certain results of the most recent experience study for the FRS pension plan.

The total pension liability for the FRS and HIS plan was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021. Both plans used the individual entry age normal actuarial cost method. Inflation increases for both plans is assumed at 2.40%. Payroll growth for both plans is assumed at 3.25%. Both the discount rate and the long-term expected rate of return used for FRS Pension Plan investments is 6.70%. The plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return. Because the HIS Program uses a pay-as-you-go funding structure, a municipal bond rate of 3.54% was used to determine the total pension liability for the program. Mortality assumptions for the FRS plan was based on the PUB-2010 base table, projected generationally with Scale MP-2018, and mortality assumptions for the HIS program were based on the Generational PUB-2010 with Projection Scale MP-2018.

The following changes in actuarial assumptions occurred in 2022:

- FRS: The discount rate and long-term expected rate of return, net of investment expense decreased from 6.80% to 6.70%.
- HIS: The municipal bond rate used to determine total pension liability increased from 2.16% to 3.54%; the demographic assumptions for the Special Risk class were updated to reflect plan changes due to HB5007, HB689, and SB838; and the election assumption for vested terminated members was updated from 20% to 50% to reflect recent experience.

OTHER 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 of Rowlett Middle Academy
(a charter school under William Monroe Rowlett Academy for
Arts & Communication, Inc.), a charter school and component
unit of the School District of Manatee County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Rowlett Middle Academy, a charter school under William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. (a charter school and component unit of the School District of Manatee County, Florida), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Rowlett Middle Academy's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 10, 2023.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Rowlett Middle Academy'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 Rowlett Middle Academy's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Rowlett Middle Academy'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 or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Rowlett Middle Academy'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 an instance of noncompliance or other matters that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as 2023-01.

Rowlett Middle Academy's Response to the Finding

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Rowlett Middle Academy's response to the finding identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings. Rowlett Middle Academy's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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.

*Christopher, Smith,
Leonard & Stanell, P.A.*

CHRISTOPHER, SMITH,
LEONARD & STANELL, P.A.

October 10, 2023
Bradenton, Florida

MANAGEMENT LETTER

To the Board of Directors of Rowlett Middle Academy
(a charter school under William Monroe Rowlett Academy for
Arts & Communication, Inc.), a charter school and component
unit of the School District of Manatee County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Rowlett Middle Academy, a charter school under William Monroe Rowlett Academy for Arts & Communication, Inc. (a charter school and component unit of the School District of Manatee County, Florida) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated October 10, 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 on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Schedule of Findings. Disclosures in that report and schedule, which are dated October 10, 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. Corrective actions have been taken to address finding and recommendation made in the preceding annual financial 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 of the entity is disclosed in Note 1 of the financial statements. The school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education is 2120.

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 Rowlett Middle Academy 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 Rowlett Middle Academy 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 Rowlett Middle Academy. It is management's responsibility to monitor Rowlett Middle Academy'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 the 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, as reported in Finding 2023-01 in the accompanying schedule of findings, we determined that Rowlett Academy's expenditures exceeded the final approved budgeted appropriations for the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund.

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 Rowlett Middle Academy maintains on its website the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we determined that Rowlett Middle Academy maintained on its website 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 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 note 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, applicable management, and the School District of Manatee County, Florida, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*Christopher, Smith,
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**CHRISTOPHER, SMITH,
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October 10, 2023
Bradenton, Florida

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

2023-01 **Budget**

Criteria: In accordance with Florida Statutes, the governing body of Rowlett Middle Academy shall annually adopt and maintain an operating budget. This budget should be a balanced budget whereby there are adequate resources to fund all budgeted appropriations. In addition, expenditures should not exceed appropriations as authorized by the Board.

Condition: Our audit procedures disclosed that the final amended budget did not provide adequate resources to fund all expenditures. As reported in the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – General Fund, actual expenditures exceeded final budgeted appropriations in the amount of \$178,738. Additionally, as reported in the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – Special Revenue Fund, actual expenditures exceeded final budgeted appropriations in the amount of \$15,608. The excess for both funds were funded through unanticipated revenues and fund balance reserves.

Context/Cause: The final budget was not amended to consider additional expenditures incurred during the year in excess of the budgeted amounts.

Effect: Rowlett Middle Academy reported expenditures in excess of budgeted appropriations in the amount of \$178,738 for the General Fund and \$15,608 for the Special Revenue Fund.

Recommendation: The fundamental purpose of budgetary control is to develop a financial plan and then maintain operations according to the plan. We recommend that Rowlett Middle Academy amend the budget throughout the year and subsequent to year end, pursuant to Florida Statutes in order to ensure that expenditures do not exceed appropriations as the budget serves as the Board's authorization to incur costs.

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October 10, 2023

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The following is our response to the audit finding contained in Rowlett Middle Academy's FY 2022/23 audit report.

Audit Finding 2023-01 Management Response

We concur with the Auditor's finding. As recommended by the Auditor we will monitor expenditures and amend the school's budget throughout the year and make a final amendment subsequent to year end to ensure that fund balance reserves and revenues are sufficient to cover expenditures and the needs of the school.

We thank the CS&L staff for their hard work in completing the audit report.

Sincerely,

Jamara Clark
Principal
Rowlett Middle Academy