Duval Charter School at Westside

A Department of Renaissance Charter School, Inc.
(A Component Unit of the Duval
County School Board, Florida)

Basic Financial Statements
and Supplementary Information
For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

Duval Charter School at Westside

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
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Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Duval Charter School at Westside (the "School"), a Department of Renaissance Charter School, Inc. and a component unit of the School Board of Duval County, Florida, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the School, as of June 30, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of the School are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of only that portion of the governmental activities and each major fund of Renaissance Charter School, Inc. that is attributable to the transactions of the School. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Renaissance Charter School, Inc. as of June 30, 2025, or its changes in its financial position for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

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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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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.

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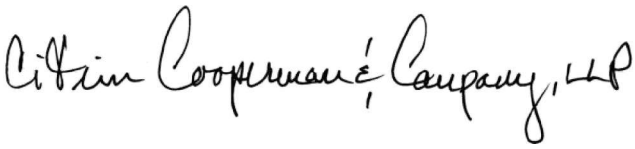
Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 8 and the budgetary comparison information on pages 25 and 26 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 GAAS, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 26, 2025, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Fort Lauderdale, Florida
September 26, 2025

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of Duval Charter School at Westside (the "School"), a Department of Renaissance Charter School, Inc. and a component unit of the Duval County School Board, Florida (the "School Board"), we offer readers of the School's basic financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the School for the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024.

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

Financial Highlights

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

- As of June 30, 2025, the School's governmental fund balances totaled $ 2,319,326, as compared to $ 1,793,935 as of June 30, 2024.
- As of June 30, 2025, the School had a net position (deficit) of $ (1,557,318), as compared to $ (1,860,474) as of June 30, 2024.

Overview of the Financial Statements

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

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

The statement of net position (deficit) presents information on all of the School's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the School is improving or deteriorating.

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

The government-wide financial statements include all governmental activities that are principally supported by grants and entitlements from the state for full-time equivalent funding. The School does not have any business-type activities. The governmental activities of the School primarily include instruction and instructional support services.

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

Overview of the Financial Statements (continued)

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. The School, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

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, governmental funds financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the School's near-term financing requirements.

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

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

The School adopts an annual budget for its governmental funds except for the Capital Project Fund and the Club and Activities Fund. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the General Fund and Grants Fund to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

The governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11 through 14 of this report.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements: The notes provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to basic financial statements can be found on pages 15 through 24 of this report.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position over time may serve as a useful indicator of financial position. In the case of the School, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources exceeded assets and deferred outflows of resources by $ 1,557,318 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis (continued)

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

Duval Charter School at Westside
Net Position (Deficit)

	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024	Variance
Assets:			
Current and other assets	$ 3,234,283	$ 2,731,073	$ 503,210
Capital assets, net	12,576,825	13,235,211	(658,386)
Total assets	15,811,108	15,966,284	(155,176)
Deferred Outflows of Resources	455,968	473,505	(17,537)
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities	1,486,268	1,493,930	(7,662)
Noncurrent liabilities	16,338,126	16,806,333	(468,207)
Total liabilities	17,824,394	18,300,263	(475,869)
Net Position (Deficit):			
Net investment in capital assets	(3,764,012)	(3,535,744)	(228,268)
Restricted	73,207	58,631	14,576
Unrestricted	2,133,487	1,616,639	516,848
Total net position (deficit)	$ (1,557,318)	$ (1,860,474)	$ 303,156

Current and other assets increased mainly due to a rise the school's cash position offset by a decline in amounts due from other governments. Capital assets, net of depreciation decreased due to the current depreciation expense of $ 722,389, offset by purchase of new assets of $ 64,003. Current liabilities remained consistent year over year. Noncurrent liabilities decreased due to the payment made on the School's lease payable.

Governmental Activities: The School's overall net position (deficit) increased $ 303,156 from the prior fiscal year. The reasons for this overall increase are discussed in the following section for governmental activities.

Duval Charter School at Westside
Change in Net Position (Deficit)

	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024	Variance
Revenues:			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	$ 106,744	$ 137,384	$ (30,640)
Operating grants and contributions	1,490,662	2,583,201	(1,092,539)
Capital grants and contributions	1,888,656	1,610,233	278,423
General revenues:			
FTE and other nonspecific revenues	8,331,867	8,212,085	119,782
Interest income	170,260	108,450	61,810
Miscellaneous income	-	739	(739)
Total revenues	11,988,189	12,652,092	(663,903)

Government-Wide Financial Analysis (continued)

Duval Charter School at Westside
Change in Net Position (Deficit)
(continued)

	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024	Variance
Functions/Programs:			
Instruction	$ 4,496,210	$ 4,421,150	$ 75,060
Student support services	351,625	436,397	(84,772)
Instructional media services	-	279	(279)
Instructional and curriculum development services	-	6,370	(6,370)
Instructional staff training services	11,280	72,886	(61,606)
Instruction-related technology	191,554	187,745	3,809
Board	34,339	32,666	1,673
School administration	1,013,046	1,070,697	(57,651)
Fiscal services	1,707,303	1,406,407	300,896
Food services	577,308	464,469	112,839
Central services	106,447	115,618	(9,171)
Transportation services	292	-	292
Operation of plant	1,772,477	1,635,441	137,036
Maintenance of plant	290,905	638,016	(347,111)
Community services	95,245	89,532	5,713
Extracurricular activities	77,008	86,650	(9,642)
Interest on long-term debt	959,994	1,079,251	(119,257)
Total expenses	11,685,033	11,743,574	(58,541)
Change in net position (deficit)	303,156	908,518	(605,362)
Net position (deficit)-beginning	(1,860,474)	(2,768,992)	908,518
Net position (deficit)-ending	$ (1,557,318)	$ (1,860,474)	$ 303,156

Program revenues decreased due to a decrease in ESSER funding in the current year. General revenues increased due a rise in funding for students. Total expenses decreased primarily due to decreases in maintenance of plant expenses and interest on long-term debt.

Financial Analysis of Governmental Funds

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the School. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was $ 2,127,755, while total fund balance increased to $ 2,246,119. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total General Fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 25.85% of total General Fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 27.29% of that same amount.

Financial Analysis of Governmental Funds (continued)

The fund balance of the School's General Fund increased by $ 510,815 during the current fiscal year. The increase was mainly due to the increases in state and local revenues over expenditures.

The Grants Fund does not have an increase or decrease in fund balance during the fiscal year as this fund reports federal and certain state expense reimbursement grants.

The Capital Project Fund does not have an increase or decrease in fund balance during the year since this fund reports state and local capital outlay funding that is used to cover a portion of interest expense.

The Club and Activities Fund had an increase in fund balance during the current fiscal year due to an increase in extracurricular activities revenues.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital assets: At June 30, 2025, the School had capital assets of $ 12,576,825, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, invested in lease assets, improvements other than building, computer equipment and furniture, fixtures and equipment. Major capital assets additions for the year included $ 34,182 for computer equipment. Additional information on the School's capital assets can be found in Note 6 of this report.

Debt: At June 30, 2025, the School had outstanding debt of $ 16,796,805, as compared to $ 17,244,460 at June 30, 2024. The decrease is a result of scheduled debt payments in accordance with the lease agreement. Additional information on the School's debt can be found in Notes 7 and 8 of this report.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

State source revenues were unfavorable to the budget due to the estimation of student funding. Expenditures were favorable to the budget due primarily to instruction expenditures.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

In fiscal year 2025, the State of Florida continued to include a teacher salary increase allocation of $ 1.25 billion. The capital outlay funding pool ended up at $ 230 million.

For fiscal year 2026, the funding for teacher salaries and other instructional personnel will be $ 1.36 billion. Additionally, the State of Florida approved an increase to the base funding allocation and capital outlay. A 3% merit increase for all staff was included in the budget. All other expenditures are budgeted in alignment with the enrollment changes and the School's strategic objectives.

Requests for Information

If you have questions about this report or need additional information, please contact Michael Valdes, Controller - School Accounting; Charter Schools USA, 800 Corporate Drive, Suite 700, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33334.

BASIC
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Duval Charter School at Westside
Statement of Net Position (Deficit)
June 30, 2025

		Governmental Activities
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$	2,878,751
Other receivables		59,530
Due from other governments		153,272
Due from related parties		24,366
Prepaid items		110,865
Deposits		7,499
Total current assets		3,234,283
Noncurrent Assets:		
Capital assets (depreciable and amortizable), net of accumulated depreciation and amortization		12,576,825
Total assets		15,811,108
Deferred Outflows of Resources:		
Deferred amount on renegotiation of lease		455,968
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		99,898
Salaries and wages payable		412,128
Due to management company		402,171
Due to related party		760
Accrued interest payable		78,876
Compensated absences		25,317
Lease payable		467,118
Total current liabilities		1,486,268
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Compensated absences		8,439
Lease payable		16,329,687
Total noncurrent liabilities		16,338,126
Total liabilities		17,824,394
Net Position (Deficit):		
Net investment in capital assets		(3,764,012)
Restricted for extracurricular activities		73,207
Unrestricted		2,133,487
Total net position (deficit)	$	(1,557,318)

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

Duval Charter School at Westside
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

		Program Revenues			Governmental Activities
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net Revenue (Expense) and Change in Net Position (Deficit)
Functions/Programs:					
Instruction	$ 4,496,210	$ -	$ 501,226	$ -	$ (3,994,984)
Student support services	351,625	-	57,608	-	(294,017)
Instructional staff training services	11,280	-	6,000	-	(5,280)
Instruction-related technology	191,554	-	-	-	(191,554)
Board services	34,339	-	-	-	(34,339)
School administration	1,013,046	-	83,058	-	(929,988)
Fiscal services	1,707,303	-	-	-	(1,707,303)
Food services	577,308	2,199	577,308	-	2,199
Central services	106,447	-	-	-	(106,447)
Pupil transportation	292	-	292	-	-
Operation of plant	1,772,477	-	174,566	926,984	(670,927)
Maintenance of plant	290,905	-	-	-	(290,905)
Community services	95,245	104,545	1,136	-	10,436
Extracurricular activities	77,008	-	89,468	-	12,460
Interest on long-term debt	959,994	-	-	961,672	1,678
Total governmental activities	$ 11,685,033	$ 106,744	$ 1,490,662	$ 1,888,656	(8,198,971)
General revenues:					
FTE and other nonspecific revenues					8,331,867
Interest income					170,260
Total general revenues					8,502,127
Change in net position (deficit)					303,156
Net position (deficit), July 1, 2024					(1,860,474)
Net position (deficit), June 30, 2025					$ (1,557,318)

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

Duval Charter School at Westside
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
June 30, 2025

	General Fund	Grants Fund	Capital Project Fund	Club and Activities Fund	Total
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 2,809,395	$ -	$ -	$ 69,356	$ 2,878,751
Other receivables	59,530	-	-	-	59,530
Due from other governments	18,793	19,676	114,803	-	153,272
Due from related parties	24,366				24,366
Due from other funds	134,479	-	-	3,851	138,330
Prepaid items	110,865	-	-	-	110,865
Deposits	7,499	-	-	-	7,499
Total assets	$ 3,164,927	$ 19,676	$ 114,803	$ 73,207	$ 3,372,613
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	$ 99,898	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 99,898
Salaries and wages payable	412,128	-	-	-	412,128
Due to management company	402,171	-	-	-	402,171
Due to related party	760	-	-	-	760
Due to other funds	3,851	19,676	114,803	-	138,330
Total liabilities	918,808	19,676	114,803	-	1,053,287
Fund Balances:					
Nonspendable:					
Prepaid items	110,865	-	-	-	110,865
Deposits	7,499	-	-	-	7,499
Restricted for extracurricular activities	-	-	-	73,207	73,207
Unassigned	2,127,755	-	-	-	2,127,755
Total fund balances	2,246,119	-	-	73,207	2,319,326
Total liabilities and fund balances	$ 3,164,927	$ 19,676	$ 114,803	$ 73,207	$ 3,372,613

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

Duval Charter School at Westside
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Net Position (Deficit)
June 30, 2025

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds		$ 2,319,326
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (deficit) are different because:		
The cost of capital assets acquired is reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds statements. The statement of net position (deficit) includes those capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, among the assets of the School as a whole.		
Cost of capital assets	$ 19,110,025	
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(6,533,200)	12,576,825
Liabilities not payable with current available resources are not reported as fund liabilities in the governmental fund statements. All liabilities, both current and long-term, are reported in the government-wide statements.		
Accrued interest payable	$ (78,876)	
Compensated absences	(33,756)	
Lease payable	(16,796,805)	(16,909,437)
Governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts and refundings and similar items when the lease is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities.		455,968
Net Position (Deficit) of Governmental Activities		$ (1,557,318)

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

Duval Charter School at Westside
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

	General Fund	Grants Fund	Capital Project Fund	Club and Activities Fund	Total
Revenues:					
Federal sources	$ -	$ 1,365,897	$ -	$ -	$ 1,365,897
State sources	7,597,912	4,500	578,337	-	8,180,749
Local sources	765,815	-	1,310,319	89,468	2,165,602
Aftercare	105,681	-	-	-	105,681
Interest income	168,144	-	-	2,116	170,260
Total revenues	8,637,552	1,370,397	1,888,656	91,584	11,988,189
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction	3,865,459	396,783	-	-	4,262,242
Student support services	294,017	57,608	-	-	351,625
Instructional staff training services	5,280	6,000	-	-	11,280
Instruction-related technology	191,554	-	-	-	191,554
Board	34,339	-	-	-	34,339
School administration	929,988	83,058	-	-	1,013,046
Fiscal services	1,707,303	-	-	-	1,707,303
Food services	-	577,308	-	-	577,308
Central services	106,447	-	-	-	106,447
Transportation services	-	292	-	-	292
Operation of plant	646,640	144,905	479,329	-	1,270,874
Maintenance of plant	290,905	-	-	-	290,905
Community services	95,245	-	-	-	95,245
Extracurricular activities	-	-	-	77,008	77,008
Capital outlay	64,003	-	-	-	64,003
Debt service:					
Principal	-	-	447,655	-	447,655
Interest	-	-	961,672	-	961,672
Total expenditures	8,231,180	1,265,954	1,888,656	77,008	11,462,798
Excess of revenues over expenditures	406,372	104,443	-	14,576	525,391
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfer in	104,443	-	-	-	104,443
Transfer out	-	(104,443)	-	-	(104,443)
Total other financing sources (uses)	104,443	(104,443)	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances	510,815	-	-	14,576	525,391
Fund Balances, July 1, 2024	1,735,304	-	-	58,631	1,793,935
Fund Balances, June 30, 2025	$ 2,246,119	$ -	$ -	$ 73,207	$ 2,319,326

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

Duval Charter School at Westside
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds		$ 525,391
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the statement of activities, the costs of those assets are depreciated and amortized over their estimated useful lives as depreciation and amortization.		
Capital outlays	$ 64,003	
Depreciation and amortization	(722,389)	(658,386)
Principal payments on long-term debt are reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds, but as a reduction of long-term liabilities in the statement of net position (deficit).		447,655
Certain items reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources, and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.		
Change in compensated absences	$ 4,355	
Change in accrued interest payable	1,678	
Amortization of deferred amount on renegotiation of lease	(17,537)	(11,504)
Change in Net Position (Deficit) of Governmental Activities		$ 303,156

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

Note 1 - Organization and Operations

Duval Charter School at Westside (the "School"), a Department of Renaissance Charter School, Inc. ("RCS") and a component unit of the Duval County School Board, Florida, was established in 2013 as a public charter school to serve students from kindergarten to eighth grade in Duval County. RCS is a Florida nonprofit corporation organized in August 1998. There were 937 students enrolled for the 2024/2025 school year.

The basic financial statements of the School present only the balances, activity and disclosures related to the School. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of RCS as of June 30, 2025, and its changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP").

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting entity: The School operates under a charter granted by the sponsoring school district, the Duval County School Board (the "District"). The current charter is effective until June 30, 2026, and may be renewed in increments of five years by mutual written agreement between the School and the District. At the end of the term of the charter, the District may choose not to renew the charter under grounds specified in the charter, in which case the District is required to notify the School in writing at least 270 days prior to the charter's expiration. During the term of the charter, the District may also terminate the charter if good cause is shown. The School is considered a component unit of the Duval County School Board.

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

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

Basis of presentation: The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. 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.

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

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

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

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

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

The School's major governmental funds are as follows:

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

Grants Fund - This special revenue fund is used to account for federal grants and certain state grants that are legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

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

Club and Activities Fund - This special revenue fund is used to administer funds raised and earned by the various clubs and activities that are part of the School but restricted for use in the extracurricular activities.

During the course of operations, the School has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at year end are reported as due from/to other funds. While these balances are reported in the governmental fund financial statements, they are eliminated in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements.

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

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available. Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within one hundred twenty days of the end of the current period. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other eligibility requirements have been met, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the School. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized when due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under leases are reported as other financing sources.

Student funding is provided by the State of Florida through the District. Such funding is recorded as full-time equivalent ("FTE") revenue in the government-wide financial statements and state source revenue in the fund financial statements. This funding is received on a prorated basis over a twelve-month period and is adjusted for changes in FTE student population.

Cash and cash equivalents: The School considers all demand accounts and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash and cash equivalents. The School maintains its cash accounts with one financial institution. The School's accounts at this institution, at times, may exceed the federal insured limit; however, the School's deposits are collateralized in accordance with Chapter 280 of the Florida Statutes (See Note 3).

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

Income taxes: The School is a Department of a nonprofit corporation. Revenue of the School is derived primarily from other governmental entities. The School is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been made in these financial statements.

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

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

Improvements other than building	10 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5 years
Computer equipment	3 years

The School has recorded a right-to-use lease asset in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The right-to-use asset is initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related lease liability plus any lease payments made prior to the lease term, less lease incentives, and plus ancillary charges necessary to place the lease into service. The right-to-use asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Deferred outflows/inflows of resources: In addition to assets, the statement of net position (deficit) will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The School does has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. The government wide statement of net position (deficit) reports a deferred amount on renegotiation of lease.

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

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

Compensated absences: The School's policy permits employees to accumulate earned but unused paid time off, which is eligible for payment upon separation from service. The liability for such leave is reported as incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for those amounts is recorded in the governmental funds only if the liability has matured as a result of employee resignations or retirements. The liability for compensated absences includes salary-related benefits, where applicable. Payments for compensated absences are generally paid out of the General Fund.

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

- Net investment in capital assets - represents the difference between the cost of capital assets, less accumulated depreciation and amortization reduced by the outstanding balances of borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

- Restricted - consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by 1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or 2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

- Unrestricted - the residual portion of net position that does not meet the definition of the other two categories.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the School's policy to use restricted resources first, then, unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Fund balance: The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on the provisions of U.S. GAAP which provides clearly defined fund balance classifications and also sets a hierarchy which details how the School may spend funds based on certain constraints. The following are the fund balance classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements:

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

- Nonspendable - this classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The School classifies inventories, prepaid items, long-term notes receivable and deposits as nonspendable since they are not expected to be converted to cash or are not expected to be converted to cash within the next year.

- Restricted - this classification includes amounts that are restricted for specific purposes by external parties such as grantors and creditors or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

- Committed - this classification includes amounts that can be used for specific purposes voted on through formal action of the Board of Directors (the highest level of decision making authority). The committed amount cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Directors removes or changes the commitment through formal action.

- Assigned - this classification includes amounts that the Board of Directors intends to use for a specific purpose, but they are neither restricted nor committed. The School classifies existing fund balance to be used in the subsequent year's budget for elimination of a deficit as assigned.

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

The details of the fund balances are included in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet on page 11.

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

Budget: An operating budget is adopted and maintained by the governing board for all governmental funds, except the Capital Project Fund and the Club and Activities Fund, pursuant to the requirements of Florida Statutes. The budget is adopted using the same basis of accounting that is used in the preparation of the financial statements.

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

Adoption of new accounting standards: During the year ended June 30, 2025, the School implemented GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, which revisits the definition and recognition parameters of accrued employee paid time off. The School also implemented GASB Statement No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures*, which addresses obligations for governmental entities to disclose a variety of risks that could negatively affect the level of service they provide or their ability to meet obligations as they come due. There were no changes required to the financials of the School as a result of the adoption of these standards.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Date of management review: The School has evaluated subsequent events through September 26, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3 – Cash and Cash Equivalents

At June 30, 2025, the carrying amount of the deposits and cash on hand totaled $ 2,878,751, with a bank balance of $ 2,879,056.

State statutes require, and it is the School's policy, that all deposits be made into, and be held by, financial institutions designated by the Treasurer of the State of Florida as "qualified public depositories" as defined by Chapter 280 of the Florida Statutes. This statute requires that every qualified public depository institution maintain eligible collateral to secure the public entity's funds. The minimum collateral to be pledged by an institution, the collateral eligible for pledge, and the reporting requirements of the qualified public depositor to the Treasurer is defined by statute. Collateral is pooled in a multiple qualified public depository institution pool with the ability to assess members of the pool should the need arise. The School's deposits of $ 2,629,056 in excess of the federal insured level of $ 250,000 are held in a qualified public depository and are covered by the collateral pool held in the name of the financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the School's name.

Note 4 - Interfund Receivables and Payables and Interfund Transfers

The composition of interfund balances as of June 30, 2025 is as follows:

Due To/From Other Funds		
Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	Grants Fund	$ 19,676
General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	114,803
Club and Activities Fund	General Fund	3,851
		$ 138,330

The outstanding balances between funds results mainly from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

The composition of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2025 is as follows:

	Transfers In
	General Fund
Transfers Out:	
Grants Fund	$ 104,443

During the year, transfers were used to move grant revenue received in the current year for prior year expenditures to the General Fund.

Note 5 - Due From/To Related Parties

The School is a Department of RCS. The due from/to balances represent amounts that are due from/to other schools that share common board membership and are departments of RCS and are expected to be repaid within one year.

Note 6 - Capital Assets

Capital asset balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2025 are as follows:

	Balance at July 1, 2024	Additions	Transfers	Balance at June 30, 2025
Capital assets being depreciated/ amortized:				
Improvements other than building	$ 1,604,849	$ 18,663	$ -	$ 1,623,512
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	844,137	11,158	-	855,295
Computer equipment	2,100,334	34,182	-	2,134,516
Lease assets:				
Building	14,496,702	-	-	14,496,702
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized	19,046,022	64,003	-	19,110,025
Accumulated depreciation/ amortization:				
Improvements other than building	279,854	161,492	-	441,346
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	754,111	39,394	-	793,505
Computer equipment	1,711,987	198,929	-	1,910,916
Lease assets:				
Building	3,064,859	322,574	-	3,387,433
Total accumulated depreciation/ amortization	5,810,811	722,389	-	6,533,200
Net capital assets being depreciated/amortized	$ 13,235,211	$ (658,386)	$ -	$ 12,576,825

Depreciation and amortization was charged to governmental activities as follows:

Instruction	$ 238,323
Operation of plant	484,066
Total	$ 722,389

Note 7 - Lease Payable

In July 2021, the Florida Development Finance Corporation (the "Corporation") issued $ 40,135,000 in Tax-Exempt Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds, Series 2021A, $ 73,300,000 in Tax Convertible Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds, Series 2021B and $ 210,000 in Taxable Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds, Series 2021C pursuant to an Indenture of Trust between the Corporation and a trustee to make a loan to RCS, a division of which the School exists, and Red Apple Development, LLC and subsidiaries ("RAD") to refund the Series 2013 Tax Exempt Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds, which financed the acquisition of the facilities five charter schools existing under RCS. In order to secure the payment of the principal and interest on the bonds, the Corporation assigned all of its rights and interest in the loan agreement to the trustee. The bonds are payable from and secured by a lien upon and pledge of payments to be received by the trustee.

Concurrent with the preceding loan transaction, RAD, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, amended its four lease agreements with RCS. The facilities, which are owned by RAD, are leased by RCS on behalf of the schools under a 45-year lease. The leases are deemed to be intangible right-to-use leases, and the lease payments are based on the debt service requirements of the bonds which extend through June 2051. These payments are made from the revenues received from the School Board of Duval County for the operation of the Schools. RCS is obligated under the Indenture to deposit all Charter revenues received from the School Board and additional revenues, if any, directly with the trustee during the term of the lease. The payments are applied by the trustee to make sinking fund payments and pay for operating expenses.

The lease is through June 2066 and requires monthly principal and interest payments through June 2051.

Future minimum payments at June 30, 2025 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2026	$ 467,118	$ 941,309	$ 1,408,427
2027	487,798	920,069	1,407,867
2028	509,694	897,872	1,407,566
2029	534,023	874,662	1,408,685
2030	558,352	850,357	1,408,709
2031-2035	3,228,469	3,812,239	7,040,708
2036-2040	4,179,735	2,861,275	7,041,010
2041-2045	3,191,927	1,794,770	4,986,697
2046-2050	3,630,454	898,593	4,529,047
2051	9,235	68,732	77,967
	$ 16,796,805	$ 13,919,878	$ 30,716,683

The Bond Indenture related to the lease requires that the School maintain a school payment coverage ratio of 1.00. As of June 30, 2025, the School is in compliance with this covenant.

Note 7 - Lease Payable (continued)

In addition to the lease payments, the School is required to pay incremental rent payments to RAD. The incremental rent payments range from approximately $ 147,610 to $ 352,670 per year over the term of the agreement which is through June 2066. These incremental rent payments are contingent upon the School having available revenues. For the year ended June 30, 2025, $ 143,311 was paid in incremental rent.

Note 8 - Long-Term Liabilities

Changes in the School's long-term liabilities for fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 are as follows:

	Balance at July 1, 2024	Additions	Retirements	Balance at June 30, 2025	Amount Due Within One Year
Lease - building	$ 17,244,460	$ -	$ 447,655	$ 16,796,805	$ 467,118
Compensated absences	38,111	-	4,355 *	33,756	25,317
	$ 17,282,571	$ -	$ 452,010	$ 16,830,561	$ 492,435

* Change in compensated absences presented above is a net change for the year.

Note 9 - Employee Benefit Plan

During the year ended June 30, 2025, the School offered all of its full-time employees who had attained 21 years of age a retirement plan (the "Plan") under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k). The employee is allowed to contribute up to a maximum of 100% of his/her annual gross compensation, subject to certain limitations. The Plan provides for a discretionary employer matching contribution of the participant's annual elective deferral to the Plan. As determined annually by the School's management, the School may also make a discretionary profit sharing contribution, which is allocated among the participants based on a pro rata formula.

Participants are immediately vested in their own contributions and earnings on those contributions. Participants become vested in School contributions and earnings on School contributions according to the following schedule:

Years of Service	Vesting Percentage
1	25%
2	50%
3	75%
4	100%

Nonvested contributions are forfeited upon termination of employment, and such forfeitures are used to reduce any employer contribution. For the Plan year ended December 31, 2024, the School had no forfeitures. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the School contributed a matching amount of $ 17,396.

Note 10 - Commitments

Management agreement: The School has a formal agreement with Charter Schools USA at Westside, LLC ("CSUSA") to manage, staff and operate the School. The agreement states that CSUSA shall be entitled to cost reimbursements and management fees (the "fee") for its services, subject to availability of funds. The fee is subordinated to all lease payment requirements (Note 7). The fee ranges from $ 685,409 for fiscal year 2026 to $ 1,132,876 for fiscal year 2043 as defined in the agreement or the budgeted amount approved by the Board of Directors based on enrollment and School performance. Total cost reimbursement and management fees amounted to $ 1,696,063 for the year ended June 30, 2025. The agreement term coincides with the charter and shall automatically renew unless either party terminates at least twelve months prior to the current expiration date.

The School also has an amount due to CSUSA of $ 402,171 at June 30, 2025.

Post-employment benefits: The School does not provide post-employment benefits to retired employees.

Note 11 - Capital Appropriations Funding

The Florida Department of Education has approved a Charter School Capital Outlay ("CSCO") award for the School. In each year that funds are appropriated by the state for charter school capital outlay purposes, those funds are allocated among eligible charter schools. The funds for the School's allocation are transferred to the School once a CSCO Plan has been provided to and approved by the sponsoring District. The School's CSCO award totaled $ 578,337 for the 2024/2025 school year, which has been recognized as revenue in the accompanying financial statements. If the CSCO funds are used to acquire tangible property assets, the District has a reversionary interest in those assets. In the event of nonrenewal, termination, or breach of the charter school agreement, ownership of the assets would automatically revert to the District. The School has elected to use these funds to pay its portion of interest expense and principal on the lease and a portion of operation of plant expenditures.

Local Capital Improvement Revenue (LCIR) funds are also appropriated by the District for charter school capital outlay purposes, with funds being allocated among eligible charter schools in a similar manner to the CSCO award. The School's LCIR award totaled $ 1,310,319 for the 2024/2025 school year, which has been recognized as revenue in the accompanying financial statements.

Note 12 - Risk Management

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

As disclosed in Note 10, CSUSA employs all of the employees of the School. As a result, the School is not exposed to medical or workers' compensation claims for these individuals. In addition, CSUSA carries all required insurance including, but not limited to, general liability and errors and omissions insurance.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Duval Charter School at Westside
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance -
Budget and Actual - General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
Revenues:				
State sources	$ 8,140,529	$ 8,140,529	$ 7,597,912	$ (542,617)
Local sources	742,047	742,047	765,815	23,768
Aftercare	120,613	120,613	105,681	(14,932)
Interest income	88,032	88,032	168,144	80,112
Total revenues	9,091,221	9,091,221	8,637,552	(453,669)
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction	5,144,095	5,144,095	3,865,459	1,278,636
Student support services	87,843	87,843	294,017	(206,174)
Instructional staff training services	91,182	91,182	5,280	85,902
Instruction-related technology	153,071	153,071	191,554	(38,483)
Board	23,192	23,192	34,339	(11,147)
School administration	408,197	408,197	929,988	(521,791)
Fiscal services	1,705,129	1,705,129	1,707,303	(2,174)
Central services	234,485	234,485	106,447	128,038
Operation of plant	1,089,757	1,089,757	646,640	443,117
Maintenance of plant	280,227	280,227	290,905	(10,678)
Community services	270	270	95,245	(94,975)
Capital outlay	42,500	42,500	64,003	(21,503)
Total expenditures	9,259,948	9,259,948	8,231,180	1,028,768
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(168,727)	(168,727)	406,372	575,099
Other Financing Sources:				
Transfer in	-	-	104,443	104,443
Net change in fund balance	$ (168,727)	$ (168,727)	$ 510,815	$ 679,542

Duval Charter School at Westside
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Grants Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
Revenues:				
Federal sources:				
National School Lunch Program	$ 548,211	$ 548,211	$ 722,213	$ 174,002
Title I	555,896	555,896	458,610	(97,286)
Title II	23,355	23,355	6,220	(17,135)
Title IV	20,761	20,761	14,829	(5,932)
ESSER III	-	-	164,025	164,025
State sources:	-			
National School Lunch Program	-	-	4,500	4,500
Total revenues	1,148,223	1,148,223	1,370,397	222,174
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction	99,012	99,012	396,783	(297,771)
Student support services	257,825	257,825	57,608	200,217
Instructional staff training	6,754	6,754	6,000	754
School administration	233,181	233,181	83,058	150,123
Food services	551,451	551,451	577,308	(25,857)
Transportation services	-	-	292	(292)
Operation of plant	-	-	144,905	(144,905)
Total expenditures	1,148,223	1,148,223	1,265,954	(117,731)
Excess of revenues over expenditures	-	-	104,443	104,443
Other Financing Uses:				
Transfer out	-	-	(104,443)	(104,443)
Net change in fund balance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -

Note to Schedule: For the year ended June 30, 2025, expenditures exceeded appropriations by $ 117,731. These over-expenditures were funded by greater than anticipated revenues.

OTHER INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS

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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
Duval Charter School at Westside
Jacksonville, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Duval Charter School at Westside (the "School"), a Department of Renaissance Charter School, Inc. and a component unit of the School Board of Duval County, Florida, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 26, 2025.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the School's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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.

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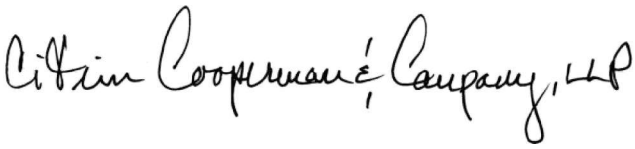
Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



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MANAGEMENT LETTER REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.850 OF THE RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

To the Board of Directors
Duval Charter School at Westside
Jacksonville, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Duval Charter School at Westside, Florida, (the "School"), as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, and have issued our report thereon dated September 26, 2025.

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 the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that report, which is dated September 26, 2025, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.854(1)(e)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding 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 and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education of the School are Duval Charter School at Westside and 165411.

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Financial Condition and Management

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

Pursuant to Sections 10.854(1)(e)6.a. and 10.855(12), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for the School. It is management's responsibility to monitor the School's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by 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, we did not have any such recommendations.

Transparency

Sections 10.854(1)(e)7. and 10.855(13), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether the School maintained on its website the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we determined that the School 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 us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or fraud, waste, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not 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, the School Board of Duval County, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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September 26, 2025

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