MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REQUIRED AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors Michigan Educational Choice Center Detroit, Michigan

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major fund and remaining fund information of the Michigan Educational Choice Center (the Academy), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Academy's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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



Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, major fund and remaining fund information of the Academy as of June 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4-8 and 20-21 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Academy's basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Academy's basic financial statements. The reconciliations for the schedule of expenditures for federal awards on pages 23 and 25 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 31, 2019, on our consideration of the Academy'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 Academy'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 Academy's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Clifton Larson Allen LLP

Indianapolis, Indiana October 31, 2019

As management of Michigan Educational Choice Center (the Academy), we offer readers of the Academy's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Academy for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the financial statements and related footnotes disclosures, which follow this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets of the Academy exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$1,119,352 (net position).
- The Academy's total net position increased by \$982,595. The increase was primarily due to the budget adjustments made throughout the year.
- The general fund had an increase in fund balance of \$515,553. At the end of the year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$511,828 and the nonspendable fund balance for the general fund was \$23,051.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Academy's basic financial statements. The Academy's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to basic financial statements. This report also contains required supplementary information and other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

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

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the Academy's assets 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 the Academy is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the Academy's net position changed during the most recent 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 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.

One of the most important questions asked about the Academy's finances is, "Is the Academy better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The statement of net position and the statement of activities report information about the Academy as a whole and about its activities in a manner that helps to answer this question. The reader will need to consider other nonfinancial factors such as political conditions at the State Capitol, student enrollment growth, birth rates, and facility conditions in arriving at their conclusion regarding the overall health of the Academy.

Government-Wide Financial Statements (Continued)

<u>Governmental Activities</u> – Since all of the Academy's basic services are principally supported by intergovernmental revenues, all activities are considered to be governmental activities, including instruction, support services, and food services. Intergovernmental revenues (unrestricted and restricted State Aid) and federal grants finance most of these activities.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9-10 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. The Academy, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The fund financial statements are formatted to comply with the legal requirements of the Michigan Department of Education's "Accounting Manual." The Academy has one type of fund: governmental funds. Governmental funds use different accounting approaches as further discussed in the notes to the financial statements. In the fund financial statements, capital assets purchased by cash are reported as expenditures in the year of acquisition. No capital assets are reported in the governmental fund balance sheet.

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 fund financial statements focus on near-term 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 a government'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 Academy's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Academy adopts annual appropriated budgets for its General Fund and Food Service Special Revenue Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund, the Academy's major governmental fund, to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

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

Notes to Basic 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 basic financial statements begin on page 15 of this report.

Other Information

Required Supplementary Information (RSI) is located directly after the notes to the basic financial statements and represents the required comparison of the budget and actual results on the Academy's budgetary basis for the General Fund. This information begins on page 20 of this report.

Supplementary Information (SI) includes the schedule of expenditures of federal awards (SEFA) and other financial schedules related to the SEFA. Supplementary information begins on page 22 of this report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of an entity's financial position. The following table provides a summary of the Academy's net position as of June 30, 2019.

	Governmental Activities								
		as of J	Percentage						
	<u></u>	2019		2018	Change				
ASSETS									
Other Assets	\$	1,415,729	\$	1,260,259	12 %				
Capital Assets		559,630		117,431	377				
Total Assets		1,975,359		1,377,690	43				
LIABILITIES									
Accounts Payable		583,290		775,718	(25)				
Accrued Expenses		272,717		465,215	(41)				
Total Liabilities		856,007		1,240,933	(31)				
NET POSITION									
Net Investment in Capital Assets		172,250		117,431	47				
Unrestricted		947,102		19,326	4,801				
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	1,119,352	\$	136,757	718				

A portion of the Academy's net position (15%) reflects its investment in capital assets. The Academy uses these capital assets to provide services to students consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. The remaining net position is unrestricted.

The above analysis focuses on the net position. The change in net position of the Academy's governmental activities is discussed below. The net position differs from fund balances and a reconciliation appears on page 12.

The results of this year's operations for the Academy as a whole are reported in the statement of activities (see table on the following page), which shows the changes in net position for fiscal year 2019.

The Academy's net position increased by \$982,595 during the current fiscal year. The increase in net position differs from the change in fund balances and a reconciliation appears on page 14.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the Academy-wide results of operations was:

	Governmen			
	Year Ende	Percentage		
	 2019		2018	Change
Operating Grants and Contributions				
Federal Sources	\$ 744,734	\$	1,359,320	(45)%
General Revenues				
State Sources	3,134,249		6,466,200	(52)
Local Sources	7,704		16,355	(53)
Total Revenues	3,886,687	•	7,841,875	(50)
EXPENDITURES				
Instruction	1,174,402		3,815,046	(69)
Support Services	1,647,131		3,817,494	(57)
Interest Expense	-		38,000	(100)
Depreciation - Unallocated	82,559		61,906	` 33 [°]
Total Expenditures	2,904,092		7,732,446	(62)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	982,595		109,429	
Beginning Net Position	136,757		27,328	
ENDING NET POSITION	\$ 1,119,352	\$	136,757	

GENERAL FUND BUDGETING AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

The Academy's budget is prepared according to Michigan law. Separate budgets are adopted for the Academy's General Fund and Food Service Special Revenue Fund.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, the Academy terminated a management contract with Performance Academies and replaced it with a management contract with The Phalen Leadership Academy (PLA), effective July 1, 2017, through the date of the charter contract with the Detroit Public Schools Community District (DPSCD). During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, the Academy entered into a new authorizer agreement with Central Michigan University (CMU) to be the fiscal agent for the Academy. The term of the new agreement expires June 2023.

The Academy amended the budget of the General Fund once. State law requires that the budget be amended to ensure that expenditures do not exceed appropriation. A schedule showing the Academy's general fund original and final budget amounts compared with amounts actually paid and received is provided in required supplementary information of these financial statements.

The General Fund actual revenue was \$3,713,583. That amount is more than the final budget estimate of \$3,359,276. The variance was \$354,307 or 11%. The variance was due to the change in budgeted enrollment estimate at the Academy.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETING AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the Academy was consolidated from three schools into one school in Detroit. This caused a significant decline in revenues and expenditures from the prior year while serving roughly 60% less students.

The actual expenditures of the General Fund were \$3,187,956, which was less than the final budget estimate of \$3,354,432. The variance was \$166,476 or 5%. The variance was due to a change in predicted facility expenses and capital outlay as well as the change in the enrollment estimate.

The General Fund had total revenues of \$3,713,583 and total expenditures of \$3,187,956 with a net increase in the fund balance of \$515,553 and an ending fund balance of \$534,879.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

The Academy's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2019 amounted to \$559,630 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets included computers, equipment, and leasehold improvements. Capital assets at fiscal year-end included the following:

Computers, Equipment, and Leasehold Improvements \$ 559,630

Additional information on the Academy's capital assets can be found in Note 4.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The following factors will affect the Academy in the future and were considered in preparing the Academy's budget for the 2019-20 fiscal year:

Student enrollment increase to 312 students.

The Michigan Educational Choice Center's 2019-2020 adopted budget is as follows:

 Revenue
 \$ 3,770,270

 Expenditures
 3,766,598

 Net Budget
 \$ 3,672

CONTACTING THE ACADEMY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is intended to provide our parents and community with a general overview of the Academy's finances and to show the Academy's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, we welcome you to email Eva Spilker at espilker@phalenacademies.org.

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2019

	Governmental Activities	
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	593,280
Due from Other Governmental Units		799,398
Capital Assets, Net		559,630
Prepaid Expenses		23,051
Total Assets		1,975,359
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable		76,620
Related Party Payable		506,670
Accrued Expenses		272,717
Total Liabilities		856,007
NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets		172,250
Unrestricted		947,102
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	1,119,352

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

				Program evenues		overnmental Activities
		Expenses	Gi	perating rants and ntributions	Re (et (Expense) evenue and Change in let Position
Functions/Programs						
Governmental Activities:	\$	1 174 100	ф	E06 470	φ	(F77 020)
Instruction Support Services	Ф	1,174,402 1,647,131	\$	596,473 148,261	\$	(577,929) (1,498,870)
Depreciation - Unallocated		82,559		140,201		(82,559)
Totals	\$	2,904,092	\$	744,734	-	(2,159,358)
General Revenues:						
State Sources						3,134,249
Other General Revenues						7,704
Total General Revenues						3,141,953
CHANGE IN NET POSITION						982,595
Net Position - Beginning of Year						136,757
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR					\$	1,119,352

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2019

			onmajor Fund		
		General	Foo	d Service	 Total
ASSETS	. <u></u>				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	593,280	\$	-	\$ 593,280
Due from Other Governmental Units		791,182		8,216	799,398
Due from Other Funds		8,216		-	8,216
Prepaid Expenses		23,051		-	23,051
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,415,729	\$	8,216	\$ 1,423,945
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable	\$	76,620	\$	-	\$ 76,620
Related Party Payable		506,670		-	506,670
Accrued Expenditures		272,717		-	272,717
Due to Other Funds		-		8,216	8,216
Unavailable Funds		24,843			 24,843
Total Liabilities		880,850		8,216	889,066
FUND BALANCES					
Unassigned		511,828		-	511,828
Nonspendable		23,051		-	23,051
Total Fund Balances		534,879			534,879
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	1,415,729	\$	8,216	\$ 1,423,945

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2019

Total Governmental Fund Balances \$ 534,879

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in the governmental fund.

Capital Assets \$ 825,383 Less: Accumulated Depreciation (265,753)

Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation 559,630

In the fund financial statements, revenues received after the period of availablity (60 days) are reported as unavailable revenues; however, in the government-wide financial statements, revenues are recognized when earned

Unavailable funds 24,843

TOTAL NET POSITION - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES \$ 1,119,352

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENT FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

		Canaral		onmajor Fund od Service		Total
DEVENUES		General	F00	od Service		Total
REVENUES						
Operating Grants and Contributions	•	574.000	•	4.40.004	•	710.001
Federal Sources	\$	571,630	\$	148,261	\$	719,891
General Revenues						
State Sources		3,134,249		-		3,134,249
Local Sources		7,704				7,704
Total Revenues		3,713,583		148,261		3,861,844
EXPENDITURES		_		_		
Instruction		1,174,402		-		1,174,402
Support Services		1,571,355		158,335		1,729,690
Capital Outlay		442,199		-		442,199
Total Expenditures		3,187,956		158,335		3,346,291
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		525,627		(10,074)		515,553
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Transfer in		-		10,074		10,074
Transfer out		(10,074)		-		(10,074)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(10,074)		10,074		-
• ,		· /		,		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		515,553		-		515,553
Fund Balances - Beginning of Year		19,326				19,326
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$	534,879	\$		\$	534,879

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Fund

515,553

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of these assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. The amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period is:

Capital Outlays 524,758
Depreciation Expense (82,559)

In the fund financial statements, revenues received after the period of availablity (60 days) are reported as unavailable revenues; however, in the government-wide financial statements, revenues are recognized when earned. The change in unavailable funds is:

Unavailable funds 24,843

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES \$ 982,595

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization

Michigan Educational Choice Center (the Academy) was formed in 2012 as a public school academy in accordance with the provisions of section 641 of Act 162, Public Acts of 1982.

On July 1, 2017, the Academy entered into a three-year contract expiring June 30, 2020 with the Detroit Public Schools Community District (DPSCD) to charter a public school academy which included the Academy undergoing a reauthorization process to obtain the charter. The contract required the Academy to act exclusively as a public school academy and not undertake any action inconsistent with its status as an entity authorized to receive state school aid funds pursuant to the state constitution. The DPSCD was the fiscal agent for the Academy and was responsible for overseeing the Academy's compliance with the contract and all applicable laws. The Academy paid the DPSCD 3% of per-pupil allocation funds that the Academy is entitled to receive. In July 2018, the Academy entered into a new authorizer agreement with Central Michigan University (CMU) to be the fiscal agent for the school. The Academy pays CMU 3% of state aid received. The total fees for the year ended June 30, 2019 to CMU was approximately \$70,000.

For the year ended June 30, 2018, the Academy operated three schools located in the metropolitan Detroit area providing education for approximately 900 students from kindergarten through grade eight. For the 2018-2019 school year, the Academy consolidated into one school with one singular location.

The accounting policies of the Academy conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies used by the Academy.

Reporting Entity

The Academy is organized as a nonprofit, nonstock, directorship corporation. The business, property, and affairs of the Academy are managed by the Academy Board of Directors (the Board). The Board consists of five to nine members; and must always be an uneven number.

In evaluating how to define the reporting entity, for financial statement purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit was made by applying the criteria set forth in GAAP which defines the reporting entity as the primary government and those component units for which the primary government is financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board, and either a) the ability to impose will by the primary government, or b) the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the primary government. Application of this criterion and determination of type of presentation involves considering whether the activity benefits the government and/or its citizens, or whether the activity is conducted within the geographic boundaries of the government and is generally available to its citizens. Based upon the application of these criteria, there were no potential component units required to be included in this report.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

<u>Basis of Presentation – Government-Wide Financial Statements and Fund Financial</u> Statements

While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the Academy. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. All of the Academy's government-wide activities are considered governmental activities.

The 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. Program revenue includes (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function, and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Intergovernmental payments and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenue.

Separate financial statements are provided for the Academy's general fund and its food service special revenue fund. The Academy reports the general fund, which is the Academy's primary operating fund, as a major governmental fund.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

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 at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Revenue from grants is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they are "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 (60 days). Expenditures are recorded when the liability is incurred.

Revenues susceptible to accrual are federal and state grants. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been met. All other revenue items are considered to be available only when cash is received by the Academy.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and reported amounts of revenues during the reported period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position

Cash and Cash Equivalents – Cash includes cash on hand and demand deposits.

Due from Other Governmental Units – All receivables are intergovernmental receivables. The Academy considers all receivables to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for uncollectible amounts is recorded.

Capital Assets – Computers and equipment are defined by the Academy as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$1,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated acquisition value at the date of donation. Costs of normal repair and maintenance that do not add to the value or materially extend asset life are not capitalized. The Academy does not have infrastructure-type assets.

Computers and equipment are depreciated using the straight-line method over three years.

Leasehold improvements are depreciated using the straight-line method over 15 years.

Net Position Flow Assumptions – Net position is classified into the following categories:

Net investment in capital assets — consists of all capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net position — consists of net position with constraints placed on 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. The Academy does not have any restricted net positions at June 30, 2019.

Unrestricted net position — consists of all other net position that is not included in the other categories previously mentioned.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use in a specific program or for a specific purpose, the Academy's normal policy is to use restricted resources first to finance its activities.

Fund Balance Policies

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. GASB Statement 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on a government's fund balance more transparent.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position (Continued)

The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on purpose for which resources can be used:

<u>Unassigned</u> – This is the residual classification for amounts in the General Fund and represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes in the General Fund.

Nonspendable – Amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as prepaid expenses) or are required to be maintained intact. The Academy had nonspendable fund balance of \$23,051 as of June 30, 2019.

NOTE 2 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The Academy's cash and cash equivalents consisted of the following at June 30, 2019:

Cash - Academy Wide

\$ 593,280

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a financial institution failure, the Academy's deposits may not be returned to the Academy. Deposits in each local and area bank are insured by the FDIC in the amount of \$250,000 for demand deposit accounts and \$250,000 for time deposit accounts. As of June 30, 2019, Academy deposits with financial institutions were in excess of federal depository insurance limits. No amounts were collateralized.

NOTE 3 RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2019 consist of intergovernmental grants. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the stable condition of state programs and the current year guarantee of federal funds.

A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables (due from other governmental units) follows:

Governmental Activities:

 State Aid
 \$ 583,523

 Federal Grants
 215,875

 Total Governmental Activities
 \$ 799,398

NOTE 4 INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS

The Academy's general fund transferred \$10,074 to the food service special revenue fund to cover operating costs in excess of intergovernmental grants for the year ended June 30, 2019.

NOTE 5 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 was as follows:

	Balance Beginning				Additions Deductions		Balance Ending
Governmental Activities:							
Computers and Equipment	\$	300,625	\$	52,223	\$	-	\$ 352,848
Leasehold Improvements		-		472,535		-	472,535
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(183,194)		(82,559)		-	(265,753)
Governmental Activities							1
Capital Assets, Net	\$	117,431	\$	442,199	\$	-	\$ 559,630

Depreciation expense was unallocated on the statement of activities as the Academy considers all capital assets to have mixed use.

NOTE 6 RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Academy entered into a school management agreement with PLA commencing on July 1, 2017 and expiring on June 30, 2020. Under the agreement, PLA is responsible for the management, operation, administration, and education at the Academy. Monthly management fee payments for the Academy equal 12% of all funds the Academy receives directly or indirectly and subject to reduction in a mutually agreeable amount by the parties. The remainder of the funds is to be retained by the school and used for future programs, school improvements, or any other items deemed necessary by Academy management. All costs incurred in providing this educational program at the Academy are paid by PLA. Expenses to the management company for the year ended June 30, 2019 were \$348,333 with \$119,290 accrued to be paid in the subsequent year.

In July 2018, the management company agreed to pay for certain refurbishments to the Academy's building and be reimbursed by the Academy once the repairs were completed. Reimbursement payables to the management company for the Academy refurbishment totaled \$387,380 and are accrued for as of year-end.

NOTE 7 RISK MANAGEMENT

The Academy is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors and omissions, and employee injuries (workers' compensation), as well as medical benefits provided to employees. The risk of employee injuries and medical benefits for employees of the management company are covered by insurance held by the management company. The Academy has purchased commercial insurance for all other claims. Settled claims relating to the commercial insurance have not exceeded the amount of insurance coverage since inception.

NOTE 8 LEASES

During 2019, the Academy commenced a lease with the Archdiocese of Detroit, Michigan. The terms of the leases called for monthly payments of 1/12th of 10% of any and all amounts of money actually received by the Academy with respect to, or for the benefit for, any student at the premises. Total lease expense incurred under terms of the lease was approximately \$111,000 for 2019.

The Academy also entered into an operating lease for office equipment in November 2018 with monthly rent payments of \$2,166. Total lease expense incurred under the terms of the lease was approximately \$17,000 for 2019.



MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019 (SEE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT)

	Б. 1. 4			Variance
		Amounts	A - t I	with Final
REVENUES	Original	Final	Actual	Budget
Local Sources	\$ -	\$ -	¢ 7.704	\$ 7,704
State Sources	2,930,473	φ - 2,641,739	\$ 7,704 3,134,249	\$ 7,704 492,510
Federal Sources	635,484		5, 134,249 571,630	(145,907)
Total Revenues	3,565,957	717,537 3,359,276	3,713,583	354,307
Total Revenues	3,303,937	3,339,276	3,713,563	334,307
EXPENDITURES				
Basic Programs	1,227,691	1,077,276	353,699	723,577
Added Needs	201,107	264,601	820,703	(556,102)
Total Instruction	1,428,798	1,341,877	1,174,402	167,475
Student Services	54,000	30,000	262,726	(232,726)
Instructional Support	223,250	90,640	181,338	(90,698)
General Administration	496,149	653,865	471,467	182,398
School Administration	335,525	353,915	209,753	144,162
Fiscal Services	54,306	12,245	44,087	(31,842)
Operating and Maintenance	521,140	588,156	368,487	219,669
Transportation	210,000	10,000	4,278	5,722
Support Services - Other	33,600	69,134	23,861	45,273
Community Services	9,600	9,600	5,358	4,242
Capital Outlay	195,000	195,000	442,199	(247,199)
Total Expenditures	3,561,368	3,354,432	3,187,956	166,476
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	4,589	4,844	525,627	187,831
Other Financing Uses				
Transfer out			(10,074)	(10,074)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ 4,589	\$ 4,844	515,553	\$ 177,757
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year			19,326	
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR			\$ 534,879	

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER NOTE TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019 (SEE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT)

NOTE 1 BUDGETARY INFORMATION

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund and Food Service Special Revenue Fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

The budget document presents information by fund and function. The legal level of budgetary control adopted by the governing body (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the function level. State law requires the Academy to have its budget in place by July 1. Expenditures in excess of amounts budgeted are a violation of Michigan law. State law permits districts to amend their budgets during the year. During the year, the budget was amended in a legally permissible manner. The School District increased/decreased budgeted amounts during the year in response to changes in funding and related expenditures.

Amounts encumbered for purchase orders, contracts, etc. are not tracked during the year. Budget appropriations are considered to be spent once the goods are delivered or the services rendered.

During the year, Michigan Educational Choice Center has the following expenditure variances that exceeded the budgeted amounts.

	Final Budget	Actual		Variance vith Final Budget
General Fund	 		-	
Added Needs	\$ 264,601	\$ 820,703	\$	(556,102)
Student Services	30,000	262,726		(232,726)
Instructional Support	90,640	181,338		(90,698)
Fiscal Services	12,245	44,087		(31,842)
Capital Outlay	195,000	442,199		(247,199)
Food Service Fund				
Food Service	135,895	158,335		(22,440)



MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

(SEE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT)

Federal Grantor/Pass through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Approved Awards Amount	(Memo Only) Prior Year Expenditures	Accrued Revenue July 1, 2018	Current Year Expenditures	Adjustments and Transfers	Current Year Cash/ Payments In-Kind Received	Accrued Revenue June 30, 2019	Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Agriculture Pass-Through Michigan Department of Education:										
Child Nutrition Cluster - Commodities National School Lunch Program 2017-18 National School Lunch Program 2018-19	10.555	181960 191960/191980	\$ 13,332 102,444	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,332 102,444	\$ -	\$ 13,332 96,210	\$ - 6,234	\$ -
Total National School Lunch Program		191900/191900	115,776	-	-	115,776		109,542	6,234	
National School Breakfast Program 2017-18 National School Breakfast Program 2018-19	10.553	181970 191970	4,393 28,093	-	-	4,393 28,093	-	4,393 26,111	1,982	-
Total National School Breakfast Program			32,486	-	-	32,486		30,504	1,982	-
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			148,262	-	-	148,262	-	140,046	8,216	-
U.S. Department of Education Pass-Through Michigan Department of Education: Title I Grants To Local Education Agencies ESEA Title I - Regular (17-18) ESEA Title I - Regular (18-19)	84.010	181530-1718 191530-1819	995,342 529,347	929,086	274,272 -	- 440,793	(93,543)	180,729 328,799	- 111,994	:
Total Title I Grants To Local Education Agencies			1,524,689	929,086	274,272	440,793	(93,543)	509,528	111,994	-
Pass-Through Michigan Department of Education: Title IV Grants to Local Education Agencies ESEA Title IV - Regular (17-18) ESEA Title IV - Regular (18-19)	84.424	180750-1718 190750-1819	10,000 39,277	3,435	225	- 25,256	-	225 24,446	- 810	<u>.</u>
Total Title IV Grants To Local Education Agencies		.00.00 .0.0	49,277	3,435	225	25,256		24,671	810	
Pass-Through Michigan Department of Education: Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367									
Supporting Effective Instruction (17-18) Supporting Effective Instruction (18-19)		180520-1718 190520-1819	301,024 148,913	192,976	61,978	59,545	(23,580)	38,398 35,568	23,977	
Total State Grants Total Pass-Through Michigan Department of Education			2,023,903	192,976 1,125,497	61,978 336,475	59,545 525,594	(23,580) (117,123)	73,966 608,165	23,977 136,781	-
Pass-Through Wayne County RESA: Special Education Cluster: Special Education Grants to States IDEA Flow Through (17-18)	84.027	181450-1718	233,823	233,823	16,850	-	-	16,850	-	-
IDEA Flow Through (18-19) Total Pass-Through Wayne County RESA		191450-1819	70,878 304,701	233.823	16,850	70,878 70,878		16.850	70,878 70,878	-
Total Federal Awards			\$ 2,476,866	\$ 1,359,320	\$ 353,325	\$ 744,734	\$ (117,123)	\$ 765,061	\$ 215,875	•
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MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER RECONCILIATION OF THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019 (SEE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT)

FEDERAL REVENUE RECOGNIZED FOR THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS	_\$	744,734
FEDERAL REVENUE RECOGNIZED PER THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS		
General Fund	\$	571,630
Food Service Fund		148,261
Unavailable Revenues Received Subsequent to Period of Availability		24,843
Total Federal Revenue	\$	744,734

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS JUNE 30, 2019

(SEE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT)

NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of Michigan Educational Choice Center (the Academy) for the year ended June 30, 2019.

The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (the Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Academy, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of the Academy.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Expenditures are recognized following the cost principles in the Uniform Guidance, as applicable, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts (if any) shown on the schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years. Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available.

The District has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimus indirect cost rate to recover indirect costs as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE 3 MANAGEMENT

Management has utilized the Cash Management System (CMS) in preparing the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. All differences between the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and the Grant Auditor's Report have been reconciled in the attached reconciliation on page 25 of this report.

NOTE 4 RECONCILIATION OF CASH RECEIPTS

Accrued revenue according to the Grant Auditor's Report indicates that cash received for project 191530-1819 was \$371,177; however, due to cash in transit, the Academy had only received \$328,799 as of year-end. The remaining \$42,378 is included in accrued revenue as of June 30, 2019. Similarly, this timing difference also occurred for project 190520-1819 which indicated that \$51,290 was paid but the Academy had only received \$35,568. The remaining \$15,722 is included in accrued revenue as of June 30, 2019.

NOTE 5 SUBRECIPIENTS

The Academy did not pass-through any federal awards to subrecipients.

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER RECONCILIATION OF FORM R 7120 GRANT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019 (SEE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT)

Current Payments per the Grant Auditors' Report:

Cash Management System	\$ 608,165
Add: Grants Passed Through Wayne County RESA Special Education Grants (CFDA 84.027)	16,850
Add: Grants Passed Through Michigan Department of Education (CFDA 10.553 & 10.555)	 140,046
Total Current Year Receipts per Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards	\$ 765,061
Current Payments per the Grant Auditors' Report:	
Cash Management System	\$ 608,165
Add: Grants Passed Through Wayne County RESA Special Education Grants (CFDA 84.027)	16,850
Add: Grants Passed Through Michigan Department of Education (CFDA 10.553 & 10.555)	140,046
Total Current Year Receipts per Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards	\$ 765,061



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

Board of Directors Michigan Educational Choice Center Detroit, Michigan

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 of the major fund of Michigan Educational Choice Center (the Academy), a nonprofit Michigan school district, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively compromise the Academy's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 31, 2019.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Academy's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Academy's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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



Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the 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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Academy'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 Academy's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Clifton Larson Allen LLP

Indianapolis, Indiana October 31, 2019

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019 (SEE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT)

Financial Statement Findings

Our audit did not disclose any matters that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CENTER SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019 (SEE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT)

Finding 2018-001 – Procurement Files

Condition: The Academy did not maintain or retain the procurement files from the prior management company in order to properly demonstrate that procurement procedures were followed.

Status: Corrected.

Finding 2018-002 - Capital Asset Records

Condition: The Academy did not record capital assets held in the prior year in the financial statements.

Status: Corrected.