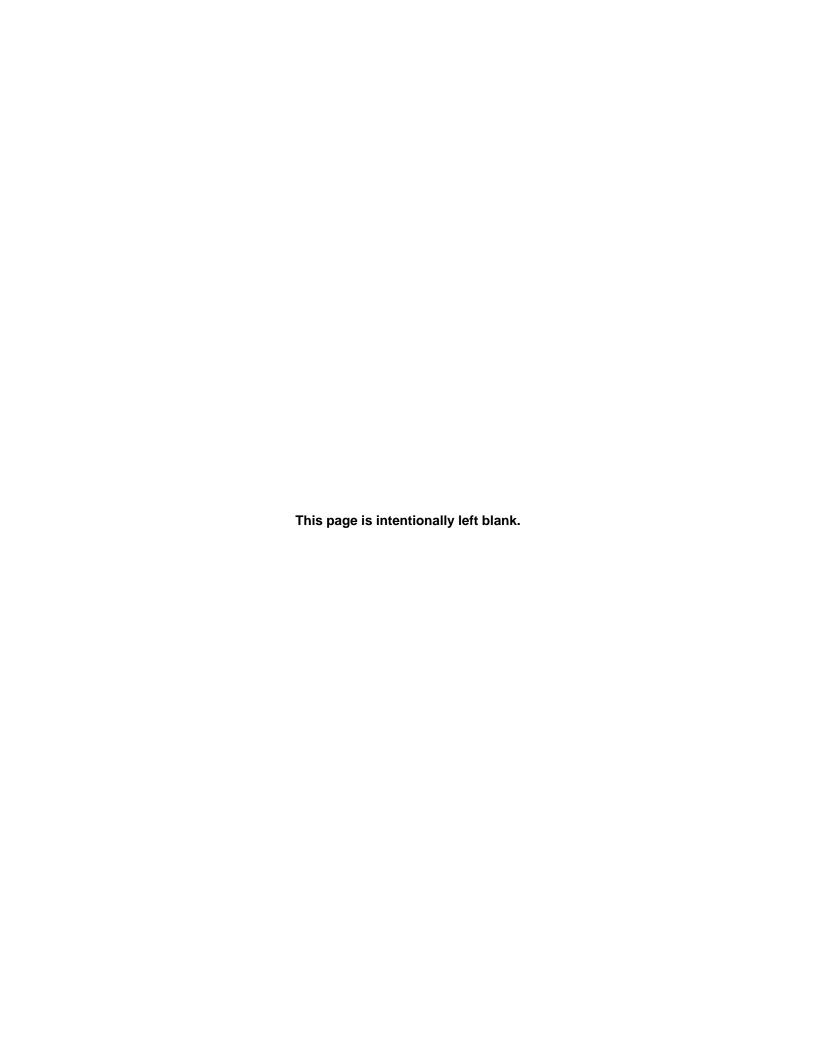




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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Auglaize County Educational Academy **Auglaize County** 1045 Dearbaugh Street Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895

To the Board of Directors:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Auglaize County Educational Academy, Auglaize County, (AEA), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the AEA's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' Government Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03 (B) requires the Academy to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. However, as discussed in Note 2, the accompanying financial statements and notes follow the cash accounting basis. This is a comprehensive accounting basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit assets, liabilities, fund equities, and disclosures that, while material, we cannot determine at this time.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Auglaize County Educational Academy, Auglaize County, as of June 30, 2005, and the changes in financial position and its cash flows, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting Note 2 describes.

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 20, 2006, on our consideration of the AEA's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's discussion and analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information the Governmental Accounting Standards Board requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

Betty Montgomeny

March 20, 2006

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005 UNAUDITED

The discussion and analysis of Auglaize County Educational Academy's (AEA) financial performance provides an overall review of AEA's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, within the limitations of cash basis accounting. Readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of AEA's financial performance.

HIGHLIGHTS

AEA, a conversion community school, began its first year of operation in fiscal year 2005 and had sixtyone students participating in the program by the end of the year. AEA received start-up resources in the prior fiscal year; however, AEA actually began operations as a school in fiscal year 2005.

USING THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, as applicable to AEA's cash basis of accounting.

AEA has elected to present its financial statements on a cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Basis of accounting is a reference to when financial events are recorded, such as the timing for recognizing receipts, disbursements, and the related assets and liabilities. Under AEA's cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements and the related assets and liabilities are recorded when they result in cash transactions.

As a result of using the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related receipts (such as accounts receivable) and certain liabilities and their related disbursements (such as accounts payable) are not recorded in the financial statements. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion with this report, the reader must keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

Table 1 provides a summary of AEA's net assets for fiscal year 2005 and fiscal year 2004:

	Net Assets	
	2005	2004
Assets: Current Assets	\$207,626	\$273
Net Assets: Unrestricted	\$207,626	\$273

Table 1

In the prior fiscal year, AEA's net assets consisted of start-up resources received from the Ohio Department of Education. As of June 30, 2005, AEA had not paid for a significant portion of purchased services from the Auglaize County Educational Service Center; therefore, the AEA had significant cash balances at fiscal year end.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005 UNAUDITED (Continued)

Table 2 reflects the change in net assets for fiscal year 2005. Since AEA did not prepare financial statements according to this basis of accounting in the prior fiscal year, a comparative analysis of government-wide data has not been presented. In future years, when prior fiscal year information is available, a comparative analysis will be presented.

Table 2 Change in Net Assets

Operating Receipts Foundation Non-Operating Receipts	\$208,061
Interest	2,038
Operating Grants	78,000
Total Non-Operating Receipts	80,038
Total Receipts	288,099
Operating Disbursements	
Purchased Services	80,682
Other	64
Total Disbursements	80,746
Increase in Nets Assets	\$207,353

The increase in net assets is attributable to receipts from unexpended Foundation monies.

BUDGETING

AEA is not required to follow the budgetary provisions set forth in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705.

CURRENT ISSUES

The enrollment at AEA is increasing. Funding has been adequate during this initial start-up process. For fiscal year 2006, AEA will no longer receive start-up grants to offset costs.

CONTACTING AEA'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of AEA's finances and to reflect AEA's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Margaret J. Grimm, Treasurer, 1045 Dearbaugh Avenue, Suite 2, Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895.

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS CASH BASIS JUNE 30, 2005

Assets:

Current Assets:

Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents \$207,626

Net Assets:

Unrestricted \$207,626

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS CASH BASIS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

Operating	Receipts:
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Foundation	\$208,061
Operating Disbursements:	
Purchased Services	80,682
Other	64
Total Operating Disbursements	80,746
Operating Income	127,315
Operating income	127,010
Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements):	
Interest Revenue	2,038
Operating Grants	78,000
Total Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)	80,038
Change in Net Assets	207,353
Net Assets at Beginning of Year - Restated (Note 3)	273
Net Assets at End of Year	\$207,626

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS CASH BASIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash Flows from Operating Activities: Cash Received from Foundation Cash Payments for Services Cash Payments for Other Expenses Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$208,061 (80,682) (64) 127,315
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities: Cash Received from Operating Grants	78,000
Cash Flows from Investing Activities: Interest	2,038
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	207,353
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	273
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$207,626

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL

Auglaize County Educational Academy (AEA) is a nonprofit corporation established pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapters 3314 and 1702. AEA's objective is to provide education opportunities through a virtual curriculum for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade. AEA, which is part of the State's education program, is nonsectarian in its programs, admissions policies, employment practices, and all other operations. AEA may acquire facilities as needed and contract for any services necessary for the operation of the school.

AEA was approved for operation under a contract with the Auglaize County Educational Service Center for a five-year period commencing on the first day of the academic year 2003. AEA became operational in November 2004. Auglaize County Educational Service Center is responsible for evaluating the performance of AEA and has the authority to deny renewal of the contract at its expiration. Auglaize County Educational Service Center is also the fiscal agent of AEA with the Treasurer of Auglaize County Educational Service Center performing the role of Treasurer for AEA.

AEA operates under the direction of a seven-member Board of Directors made up of the Superintendents from the participating school districts. Auglaize County Educational Service Center does not make up a majority of the Board and cannot impose its will on AEA; therefore, AEA is not a component unit of the Auglaize County Educational Service Center. The Board of Directors is responsible to help create, approve, and monitor AEA's annual budget, develop policies to guide the operation of AEA, and maintain a commitment to the vision, mission, and belief statements of AEA and the children it serves. During fiscal year 2005, AEA purchased services from the Auglaize County Educational Service Center to provide instructional, professional development, administrative, and curriculum development services for AEA.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. In the government-wide financial statements, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, have been applied, to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. Following are the more significant of AEA's accounting policies.

A. Basis of Presentation

AEA's basic financial statements consist of a statement of net assets; a statement of receipts, disbursements, and change in net assets; and a statement of cash flows.

AEA uses enterprise accounting to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. Enterprise accounting focuses on the determination of operating income, change in net assets, financial position, and cash flows. Enterprise accounting may be used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. Basis of Accounting

AEA's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Except for modifications having substantial support, receipts are recorded in AEA's financial records and reported on the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in the financial statements.

C. Budgetary Process

Unlike other public schools located in the State of Ohio, community schools are not required to follow the budgetary provisions set forth in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705, except for section 5705.391 which requires the AEA to prepare a five year projection of operational revenues and expenditures. The contract between AEA and its Sponsor does prescribe an annual budget requirement.

D. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash held by AEA is reflected as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents" on the statement of net assets. Investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months are reported as investments. During fiscal year 2005, AEA had no investments.

E. Net Assets

Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by AEA or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments.

AEA first applies restricted resources when a disbursement is made for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available. AEA did not have any restricted net assets at fiscal year end.

F. Operating Receipts and Disbursements

Operating receipts are those receipts that are generated directly from the primary activity of AEA. Operating disbursements are necessary costs incurred to provide the service that is the primary activity of AEA. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005 (Continued)

3. RESTATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, AEA has presented for the first time financial statements on the cash basis of accounting. While AEA had start-up resources available in the prior fiscal year, AEA began functioning as a school in November 2004. The restatement to beginning net assets is \$273.

4. ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-02-03(B), requires AEA to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, AEA prepared it financial statements on a cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The accompanying financial statements omit assets, liabilities, net assets/fund balances, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determined at this time. The AEA can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against AEA.

5. **DEPOSITS**

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the AEA will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At fiscal year end, \$107,626 of AEA's bank balance of \$207,626 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and uncollateralized. There are no statutory restrictions regarding the deposit and investment of funds by AEA.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

AEA is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2005, AEA had the following insurance coverage provided through Auglaize County Educational Service Center:

Coverage provided by Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority is as follows:

General Liability \$3,000,000 Automobile Liability \$3,000,000

Coverage provided by Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company is as follows:

Boiler 1,773,266

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005 (Continued)

7. FISCAL AGENT

The agreement with Auglaize County Educational Service Center states the Treasurer of Auglaize County Educational Service Center shall serve as the fiscal officer of AEA. The Treasurer of Auglaize County Educational Service Center shall perform the following functions while serving as the Treasurer of AEA:

- A. Maintain the financial records of AEA in the same manner as are financial records of school districts, pursuant to rules of the Auditor of State;
- B. Comply with the policies and procedures regarding internal financial control of AEA;
- C. Comply with the requirements and procedures for financial audits by the Auditor of the State.

8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In fiscal year 2005, purchased services were obtained from Auglaize County Educational Service Center by AEA, in the amount of \$80,682. The purchased services were as follows:

Service	Amount
Salaries	\$29,519
Fringe Benefits	7,975
Purchased Services	6,982
Materials and Supplies	1,011
Capital Outlay	35,195
Total	\$80,682

9. CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

AEA received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of AEA at June 30, 2005.

B. Full Time Equivalency

The Ohio Department of Education conducts reviews of enrollment data and full-time equivalency (FTE) calculations made by community schools. These reviews are conducted to ensure the schools are reporting accurate student enrollment data to the State, upon which State foundation funding is calculated. The conclusions of this review could result in State funding being adjusted. AEA has an adjustment of \$1,846 owed by the State to AEA for fiscal year 2005 as a result of this review.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005 (Continued)

9. CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

C. Litigation

A suit was filed in Franklin County Common Pleas Court on May 14, 2001, alleging Ohio's Community (i.e. Charter) Schools program violates the State Constitution and State laws. On April 21, 2003, the Court dismissed the counts containing constitutional claims and stayed the other counts pending appeal of the constitutional issues. The plaintiffs appealed to the Court of Appeals, the issues have been briefed, and the case for oral arguments was heard on November 18, 2003.

On August 24, 2004, the Court of Appeals rendered a decision that Community Schools are part of the State public educational system and this matter was sent to the Ohio Supreme Court. The Ohio Supreme Court accepted the appeal from the Court of Appeals for review on February 16, 2005. Oral argument occurred November 29, 2005. The effect, if any, on AEA is not presently determinable.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Auglaize County Educational Academy Auglaize County 1045 Dearbaugh Street Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895

To the Board of Directors:

We have audited the financial statements of the Auglaize County Educational Academy, Auglaize County, (the AEA), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated March 20, 2006, wherein, we noted AEA used a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the AEA's internal control over financial reporting to determine our auditing procedures in order to express our opinion on the financial statements and not to opine on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts material to the financial statements we audited may occur and not be timely detected by employees when performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider material weaknesses. In a separate letter to the AEA's management dated March 20, 2006, we reported other matters involving internal control over financial reporting we did not deem reportable conditions.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the AEA's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect 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 an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matter that we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*, which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2005-001.

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We intend this report solely for the information and use of the management and the Board of Directors. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

Betty Montgomery

March 20, 2006

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2005

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

FINDING NUMBER 2005-001

Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 states, in part, that each public office, other than a state agency, shall file a financial report for each fiscal year. The Auditor of State may prescribe forms by rule or may issue guidelines, or both, for such reports. If the auditor of state has not prescribed a rule regarding the form for the report, the public office shall submit its report on the form utilized by the public office. Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 further clarifies the requirements of Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38.

Ohio Adm. Code Section 117-2-03(B) and Community School Contract (10/15/02) Article III B. Financial Plan requires the Auglaize Educational Academy (AEA) to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

The Auglaize Educational Academy prepares their financial statements and notes following the cash accounting basis. This is a comprehensive accounting basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit assets, liabilities, fund equities, and disclosures that, while material, we cannot determine at this time. Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 the AEA may be fined and subject to various other administrative remedies for its failure to file the required financial report.

The AEA should prepare their financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in order to provide financial statement users information regarding the financial condition of the AEA.



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED APRIL 17, 2006