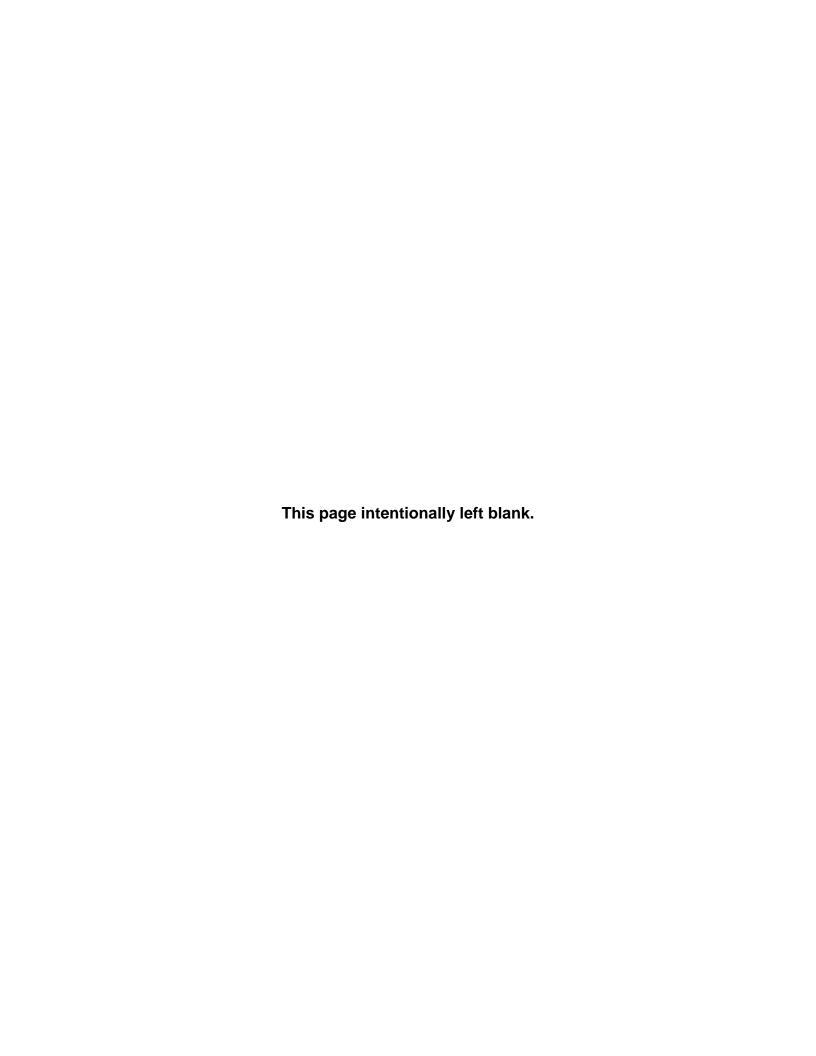




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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center Champaign County 1512 S. U.S. Highway 68, Suite J100 Urbana, Ohio 43078

#### To the Board of Education:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center, Champaign County, (the Center) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Center'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 that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (B) requires the Center 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 have been prepared on an accounting basis not in accordance with these generally accepted accounting principles. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit entity wide statements, and assets, liabilities, fund equities, and disclosures that, while material, we cannot determine at this time.

In our opinion, because of the departure from generally accepted accounting principles described in the preceding paragraph, the accompanying financial statements do not present fairly the financial position and results of operations of Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 4, during the year ended June 30, 2012, the Service Center adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions

The Center also has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 28, 2012, on our consideration of the Center'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.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

November 28, 2012

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

	Governmental Fund Types			
		Special	Totals	
		Revenue	(Memorandum	
	General	Funds	Only)	
Revenues:				
Tuition	\$7,871,083		\$7,871,083	
Earnings on Investments	12,432		12,432	
Food Services	•	\$41,539	41,539	
Classroom Materials and Fees	1,111	, ,	1,111	
Miscellaneous	130,971	34,510	165,481	
Other Local Revenues	,	375	375	
Intergovernmental - Intermediate		8,422	8,422	
Intergovernmental - State	1,327,443	296,900	1,624,343	
Intergovernmental - Federal	.,02.,0	148,676	148,676	
Total Cash Receipts	9,343,040	530,422	9,873,462	
Total Gash Recopies	0,040,040	000,422	0,010,402	
Expenditures:				
Instruction:				
Regular	153,091	137,074	290,165	
Special	2,411,275	61,174	2,472,449	
Other Instruction	2,411,210	6,423	6,423	
Supporting Services:		0,423	0,423	
••	2 400 277	23,344	2 522 721	
Pupils Instructional Staff	2,499,377	•	2,522,721	
	2,066,051	52,592	2,118,643	
Board of Education	24,848	4 000	24,848	
Administration	1,508,054	1,800	1,509,854	
Fiscal Services	204,857	12,370	217,227	
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	13,656		13,656	
Pupil Transportation	7,136	139,252	146,388	
Central	100,871	9,466	110,337	
Non-Instructional Services:				
Food Service Operations		65,965	65,965	
Other	100		100	
Total Cash Disbursements	8,989,316	509,460	9,498,776	
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	353,724	20,962	374,686	
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Other Financing Receipts/Disbursements:	00.040	40 -0-		
Advances-In	33,310	10,737	44,047	
Transfers-Out	(13,895)	/- / - /->	(13,895)	
Advances-Out	(12,804)	(31,243)	(44,047)	
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	6,611	(20,506)	(13,895)	
Excess of Cash Receipts and other Financing Receipts Over/				
(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	360,335	456	360,791	
Fund Cash Balances, July 1, 2011 (as restated)	989,423	6,853	996,276	
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Fund Cash Balances, June 30, 2012	1,349,758	7,309	1,357,067	
Restricted		7,309	7,309	
Assigned	123,154		123,154	
Unassigned (Deficit)	1,226,604		1,226,604	
Fund Cook Belonces, June 20, 2010	¢4 040 750	ф <del>7</del> 000	<b>64 057 007</b>	
Fund Cash Balances, June 30, 2012	\$1,349,758	\$7,309	\$1,357,067	

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

# STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS FIDUCIARY FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services	Agency Fund
Operating Cash Disbursements: Employees Retirement and Insurance Other Operating Expenses Total Operating Cash Disbursements	\$11,495 33,289 44,784
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements Transfers-In	(44,784) 13,895
Net Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements	(30,889)
Fund Cash Balance, July 1, 2011	30,889
Fund Cash Balance, June 30, 2012	\$0

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL CENTER

The Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center (the "Center") is located in Urbana, Ohio, the Champaign County seat. The Center is an Educational Service Center as defined by Section 3311.03 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Center operates under a Board of five elected members. The Center supplies supervisory, special education, administrative and other services to the Graham, Jefferson, Jonathan Alder, Madison-Plains, West Liberty-Salem, Triad Local School Districts, London and Urbana City School Districts and Mechanicsburg Exempted Village School District. The Center furnishes leadership and consulting services designed to strengthen these school Districts in areas they are unable to finance or staff independently. The Center is staffed by 95 non-certified employees and 97 certified employees.

The reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure the financial statements are not misleading.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Although required by Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the Center chooses to prepare its financial statements and notes in accordance with standards established by the Auditor of State for governmental entities that are not required to prepare reports in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. This basis of accounting is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e. when an encumbrance is approved).

#### A. The Reporting Entity

The Center's reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity". A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure that the financial statements of the Center are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the Center. For the Center, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the Center. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Center is financially accountable. The Center is financially accountable for an organization if the Center appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Center is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Center is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Center is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization or the Center is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Center in that the Center approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes for the organization. The financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the Center (the primary government). The Center has no component units.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The following organizations are described due to their relationship to the Center:

#### 1. Jointly Governed Organizations:

#### **Western Ohio Computer Organization**

The Center is a participant in the Western Ohio Computer Organization (WOCO), which is a computer consortium. WOCO is an association of educational entities within the boundaries of Auglaize, Champaign, Hardin, Logan, Miami and Shelby counties. WOCO was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology (with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment) to administrative and instructional functions among member districts. This organization is governed by a board of directors consisting of 14 members; the superintendent of the fiscal agent Shelby County Educational Service Center, two superintendents from each county that is represented, one treasurer representative from the school districts, student services representative from the school districts, and a non-voting independent district representative. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the Board. Financial information can be obtained from Donn Walls, who serves as Director, at 129 East Court Street, Sidney, Ohio 45365.

#### **Metropolitan Educational Council**

The Metropolitan Educational Council (MEC) is a purchasing cooperative made up of nearly 124 districts in 22 counties. The purpose of the cooperative is to obtain prices for quality merchandise and services commonly used by schools. All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges, of other assessments as established by MEC. The Governing Board of MEC consists of one voting representative from each member district. To obtain financial information, write to the Metropolitan Educational Council, Ron Miller, who serves as Executive Director, 2100 Citygate Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43219.

#### 2. Public Entity Purchasing Pools

#### Northern Buckeye Educational Council Group Retrospective Program

The Educational Service Center participates in a group retrospective rating plan for workers' compensation as established under Section 4123.17.73 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Northern Buckeye Educational Council Group Retrospective Program is administered by Sheakley. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the Plan to cover the costs of administering the program.

#### Champaign, Delaware, Marion, Union Schools Welfare Benefit Association Trust

The Champaign, Delaware, Marion, Union School Employee Welfare Benefit Association Trust (Trust), is a public entity shared risk pool consisting of eight school districts and the Madison/Champaign County and Delaware/Union County Educational Service Centers. The Trust is organized as a Voluntary Employee Benefit association under Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code and provides medical, dental, and life insurance benefits to the employees of the participants. Each participant's superintendent is appointed to an Administrative Committee which advises the Trustee concerning aspects of the administration of the Trust.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Each participant decides which plans offered by the Administrative Committee will be extended to its employees. Participation in the Trust is by written application subject to acceptance by the Administrative Committee and payment of monthly premiums. Financial information can be obtained from the Champaign, Delaware, Marion, Union School Employee Welfare Benefit Association Trust, Huntington Center HC1142, Columbus, Ohio 43287.

#### **B.** Fund Accounting

The Center uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments which are restricted to use. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain Center functions or activities.

For financial statement presentation purposes, the various funds of the Center are grouped into the following generic fund types under the broad fund categories governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary.

#### 1. Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Center are financed. The following are the Center's governmental fund types:

**General Fund** – The General Fund is the operating fund of the Center and is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund balance is available to the Center for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

**Special Revenue Funds** – Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditure for specified purposes.

#### 2. Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the Center in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units, and/or other funds. The Center's fiduciary funds include agency funds.

#### C. Basis of Accounting

The Center's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Receipts are recorded in the Center's financial records and reported in 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 this 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 these financial statements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### D. Budgetary Process

Although not legally required, the Center adopts its budget for all funds. The budget includes the estimated resources and expenditures for each fund and consists of three parts; Part (A) includes entitlement funding from the State, Part (B) includes the cost of all other lawful expenditures of the Center (which are apportioned by the State Department of Education to each local board of education under the supervision of the Center), and Part (C) includes the adopted appropriation resolution.

In fiscal year 2004, the Center's requirement to file budgetary information with the Ohio Department of Education was eliminated. Even though the budgetary process for the Center was discretionary, the Center continued to have its Board approve appropriations and estimated resources. The Center's Board adopts an annual appropriation resolution, which is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level for all funds. Budgetary information for the general fund has been presented as supplementary information to the basic financial statements.

#### E. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Center is pooled and invested. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through Center records. Interest in the pool is included in the cash balances reported by fund type.

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

During fiscal year 2012, the Center invested in nonnegotiable certificates of deposit and STAR Ohio. Investments are reported at cost, except for STAR Ohio. STAR Ohio is an investment pool, managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2(a)7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2012.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund or by policy of the Board. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2012 amounted to \$12,432.

#### F. Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The Center reported no restricted assets.

#### G. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The Center reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### H. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets.

#### I. Interfund Receivables/Payables

The Center reports advances-in and advances-out for interfund loans. These items are not reflected as assets and liabilities.

#### J. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the Center's cash basis of accounting.

#### K. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The Center recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 7 and 8, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

#### L. Long-Term Obligations

The Center's cash basis does not report liabilities for bonds and other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when paid. Since recording a capital asset when entering into a capital lease is not the result of a cash transaction, neither another financing source nor capital outlay expenditure is reported at inception.

#### M. Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and after non-operating receipts/cash disbursements in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular cash disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

#### N. Total Columns on Financial Statements

Total columns on the financial statements are captioned "Total- (Memorandum Only)" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. This data is not comparable to a consolidation. Interfund—type eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

#### O. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Center is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

**Non-spendable** - The non-spendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

**Restricted** - Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints are placed on the use of resources that are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

**Committed** - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Center Board of Education (the highest level of decision making authority). Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Center Board of Education removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned - Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Center for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted nor committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the Center Board of Education, which includes giving the Treasurer the authority to constrain monies for intended purposes.

**Unassigned** - Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is only used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

The Center applies restricted resources first when disbursements are incurred for purposes for which restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund balance is available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when disbursements are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

#### P. Net Cash Assets

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

The Center applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### **COMPLIANCE** 3.

Ohio Administrative Code, §117-2-03 (B), requires the Center to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the Center prepared its financial statements on a regulatory 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 Center can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the Center.

#### **CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES**

For the year ended June 30, 2012, the Center has adopted GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. This Statement establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. The implementation of this Statement resulted in the following change to fund balances at June 30, 2011, as previously reported:

General

**Special Revenue Funds** Fund Fund Balance, June 30, 2011, as previously reported \$925,500 \$70,776 (63,923)Reclassification of funds required by GASB Statement No. 54 63,923 Fund Balance, June 30, 2011, as restated \$989.423 \$ 6.853

#### **DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

Monies held by the Center are classified by State statute into three categories.

Active monies are public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the Center treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the Center treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board has identified as not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Interim monies may be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 5. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

- Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least 2 percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio or Ohio local governments;
- 5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
- 6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Center, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

#### A. Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Center will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At June 30, 2012, \$361,571 of the Center's bank balance of \$1,374,663 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$1,013,092 was covered by the FDIC.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the Center's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the Center. The Center has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Although the securities were held by the pledging institutions' trust department and all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the Center to a successful claim by the FDIC.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 5. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

#### **B.** Investments

As of June 30, 2012, the Center had the following investments and maturities:

		Investment Maturities				
	Fair	6 months	7 to 12	13 to 18	19 to 24	Greater than
Investment type	Value	or less	months	months	months	24 months
STAR Ohio	\$7.890	\$7.890			•	· ·

**Interest Rate Risk:** Interest rate risk arises when potential purchasers of debt securities will not agree to pay face value for those securities if interest rates subsequently increase. As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates and according to State law, the Center's investment policy limits investment portfolio maturities to two years or less. Ohio Rev. Code 135.13 requires interim deposits to mature within one year.

**Credit Risk:** STAR Ohio carries a rating of AAAm by Standard and Poor's. The Center has no investment policy dealing with investment credit risk beyond the requirements in state statutes. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service.

**Concentration of Credit Risk:** The Center places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the Center at June 30, 2012:

Investment type	Fair Value	% of Total
STAR Ohio	\$7,890	100.00

#### 6. RISK MANAGEMENT

#### A. Risk Pool Membership

The Center 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 2012, the Center contracted for the following insurance coverages:

Coverages provided by Governmental Underwriters of America, Inc. are as follows:

Automobile liability	\$1,000,000
General liability	
Per occurrence	\$1,000,000
Aggregate	\$3,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years, and there has been no significant reduction in coverage from the prior fiscal year.

#### **B.** Employee Medical Benefits

The Center provides health insurance, prescription drug benefits, and dental insurance participates in the Champaign, Delaware, Marion, Union School Employee Welfare Association Trust (Trust) (Note 2.A.) which provides vision insurance through Vision Service Plan and life insurance through American United Life. Insurance premiums vary with each employee depending on marital and family status.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 6. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

#### C. Workers' Compensation

For fiscal year 2012, the Center participated in the Northern Buckeye Educational Council Group Retrospective Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 2.A). The intent of the GRP is to achieve a reduced premium for the Center by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participating schools is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all schools in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. The BWC then evaluates the GRP's claim losses at 12, 24, and 36 months following the end of the GRP retro policy year. If the BWC findings result in a group retrospective premium calculation lower than the group's standard premium, participating employers may be entitled to a refund.

#### 7. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

#### A. State Teachers Retirement System

**Plan Description** - The Center participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), a cost-sharing, multiple employer public employee retirement plan. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Ohio Web site at <a href="https://www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a>.

New members have a choice of three retirement plans, a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on a member's lifetime contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal. The Combined Plan offers features of both the DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The DB portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60; the DC portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years credited service who becomes disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible spouses and dependents of these active members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 7. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)

The Center's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012, 2011 and 2010 were \$597,340, \$575,008, and \$646,620, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2012, 2011 and 2010.

**Funding Policy** - For fiscal year 2012, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Center was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

#### **B.** School Employees Retirement System

**Plan Description** - The Center contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement, disability, survivor benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746. It is also posted on the SERS' Ohio website, www.ohsers.org, under Employers/Audit Resources.

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Center is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current Center rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the Center's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits. For fiscal year 2012, 12.70 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations and death benefits. The remaining 1.3% of the employer contribution rate is allocated to the Health Care and Medicare B Funds. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to a statutory maximum amount of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. The Center's required contributions for pension obligations and death benefits to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012, 2011 and 2010 were \$237,445, \$220,723, and \$281,951, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2012, 2011 and 2010.

#### C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the School Retirement System. As of June 30, 2012, all five members of the Board of Education have elected SERS.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 8. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

#### A. School Employee Retirement System

Plan Description – The Center participates in two cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit OPEB plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System for noncertificated retirees and their beneficiaries, a Health Care Plan and a Medicare Part B Plan. The Health Care Plan includes hospitalization and physicians' fees through several types of plans including HMO's, PPO's and traditional indemnity plans as well as a prescription drug program. The Medicare Part B Plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries up to a statutory limit. Benefit provisions and the obligations to contribute are established by the System based on authority granted by State statute. The financial reports of both Plans are included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which is available by contacting SERS at 300 East Broad St., Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746.

**Funding Policy** – State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401h. For 2012, 0.55 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined amount; for 2012, this amount was \$27,139.

Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Retirees and their beneficiaries are required to pay a health care premium that varies depending on the plan selected, the number of qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility and retirement status.

The Center's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012, 2011, and 2010 were \$10,283, \$26,726, and \$10,148, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2012, 2011 and 2010.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For 2012, this actuarially required allocation was 0.75 percent of covered payroll. The Center's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012, 2011, and 2010, were \$14,022, \$14,204, \$16,767 respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2012, 2011, and 2010.

#### **B.** State Teachers Retirement System

**Plan Description** – The Center contributes to the cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS Ohio. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS Ohio which may be obtained by visiting <a href="https://www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a> or by calling (888) 227-7877.

**Funding Policy** – Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For 2011, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The Center's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012, 2011, and 2010, were \$45,949, \$44,231, and \$49,740 respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2012, 2011, and 2010.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 9. CONTINGENCIES

#### A. Grants

The Center 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 are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Center.

#### **B.** Litigation

There are currently no matters in litigation with the Center as defendant.

#### 10. STATE FUNDING

State funding is provided to support the ESC basic operations and statutorily mandated services. In the context of regular public school districts and community schools that receive services form ESCs this state funding amounts to about \$90 million per year at the state level which makes up about one third of the total annual ESC funding. It consists of two major funding categories:

- 1. Unit Funding
- 2. Per-Pupil Allocation

#### **Unit Funding**

ORC Section 3317.11(B) provides for state funding for approved gifted education and preschool special education classroom and supervisory units operating at an ESC.

#### **Per-Pupil Allocation**

The per-pupil funding in the permanent section of the law does not apply to the FY 2012 and 2013. Am. Sub. H.B. 153 contains a "notwithstanding" provision that overrides the permanent law section. According to the bill's provision, ESCs receive an amount of funding that is reduced by a percentage from what they received in the previous year. For the year ending June 30, 2012, the percentage reduction is 10% from FY 2011.

#### 11. INTERFUND ACTIVITY

Fund	Transfers In	<b>Transfers Out</b>	Advances In	<b>Advances Out</b>
General Fund		\$13,895	\$31,328	\$12,720
Food Service Fund			8,169	8,350
School Supplies			1,982	
Spelling Bee Fund				84
Agency Fund	\$13,895			
School Bus Driver			1,553	
Early Childhood Fund				14,036
ECSE ARRA Fund				2,422
Parent Mentor FY11				6,435
Parent Mentor FY12			1,015	
Total	\$13,895	\$13,895	\$44,047	\$44,047

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 (Continued)

#### 12. FUND BALANCES

Fund balance is classified as non-spendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the Center is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds.

The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented below:

Fund Balance	General	Special Revenue
Restricted for:		
Adult Basic Aid		\$6,371
Activity Accounts		729
School Improvements		202
Emotional Training		7
Total Restricted		\$7,309
Assigned:		
Latchkey Program	\$ 61,038	
Professional Development	33,358	
Alternative Schools	19,709	
School Improvement	2,880	
Public School Support	2,151	
Dual Enrollment Grant	1,791	
Bus Driver Inservice	1,066	
Scholarship Fund	632	
Training	304	
School Supplies	225	
Total Assigned	\$ 123,154	
Unassigned	\$1,226,604	
Total Fund Balances	\$1,349,758	\$7,309

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

Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center Champaign County 1512 S. U.S. Highway 68, Suite J100 Urbana, Ohio 43078

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the financial statements of Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center (the Center) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, and have issued our report thereon dated November 28, 2012 wherein we issued an adverse opinion and noted the Center prepared its financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We also noted the Center adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. 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 Center's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of opining on the effectiveness of the Center's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Center's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in more than a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Center's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and timely corrected.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

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#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Center'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 matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2012-01.

We also noted certain matters not requiring inclusion in this report that we reported to the Center's management in a separate letter dated November 28, 2012.

The Center's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not audit the Center's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the audit committee, Board of Education, and others within the Center. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

November 28, 2012

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2012

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

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2012-01**

#### **Noncompliance**

**Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38** provides that each public office 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 Admin Code Section 117-2-03 (B) requires the Center to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the Center prepared its financial statements in accordance with standards established by the Auditor of State for governmental entities not required to prepare annual reports in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The accompanying financial statements omit assets, liabilities, fund equities, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determined at this time. Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38, the Center may be fined and subject to various other administrative remedies for its failure to file the required financial report.

The Center should prepare the financial statements according to generally accepted accounting principles to help provide users with more complete and meaningful financial statements.

#### Officials' Response:

The Governing Board and Management of the Center are knowledgeable concerning the required reporting format (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) and the similarities and differences from the required reporting format and the method currently incorporated by the Center (Cash Basis of Accounting). Center personnel considered the cost benefit of the two reporting formats and determined reporting on the Cash Basis of Accounting format to be the more fiscally responsible format at this time.

#### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2012

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2011-01	ORC Section 135.144 - Certificate of deposit maturity beyond 12 months and not designated as inactive	Yes	
2011-02	ORC Section 117.38 – Failure to file GAAP financial statements	No	Repeated as Finding Number 2012-01



#### MADISON-CHAMPAIGN EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER

#### **CHAMPAIGN COUNTY**

#### **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 DECEMBER 27, 2012