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IMAGINE CLEVELAND ACADEMY  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Imagine Cleveland Academy  
Cuyahoga County  
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Cleveland, Ohio 44104

To the Board of Directors:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Imagine Cleveland Academy, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (the School), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the School's management. 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 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.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Imagine Cleveland Academy, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2012, and the changes in financial position and where applicable, cash flows, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 11, 2013, on our consideration of the School'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.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *Management's discussion and analysis*, as listed in the table of contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential 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 other assurance.

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**Dave Yost**  
Auditor of State

March 11, 2013

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012  
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The discussion and analysis of the Imagine Cleveland Academy (the "Academy") financial performance provides an overall review of the Academy's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Academy's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Academy's financial performance.

**Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2012 are as follows:

- In total, net assets were \$90 at June 30, 2012.
- The Academy had operating revenues of \$1,079,252, operating expenses of \$1,457,408 and non-operating revenues of \$370,583 for fiscal year 2012. The operating loss was \$378,156 and the change in net assets was a decrease of \$7,573 in the Academy's second year of operations.

**Using these Basic Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the Academy's financial activities. The *statement of net assets* and *statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets* provide information about the activities of the Academy, including all short-term and long-term financial resources and obligations.

**Reporting the Academy's Financial Activities**

***Statement of Net Assets, Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets and the Statement of Cash Flows***

These documents look at all financial transactions and ask the question, "How did we do financially during 2012?" The statement of net assets and the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets answer this question. These statements include *all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Academy's *net assets* and changes in those assets. This change in net assets is important because it tells the reader that, for the Academy as a whole, the *financial position* of the Academy has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. These statements can be found on pages 7 and 8 of this report.

The statement of cash flows provides information about how the Academy finances and meets the cash flow needs of its operations. The statement of cash flows can be found on page 9 of this report.

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The table below provides a comparative analysis of fiscal years 2012 and 2011:

	<b>Net Assets</b>		
	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b><u>Assets</u></b>			
Current assets	\$ 85,138	\$ 7,663	\$ 77,475
<b><u>Liabilities</u></b>			
Current liabilities	85,048	-	85,048
<b><u>Net Assets</u></b>			
Restricted	-	15,646	(15,646)
Unrestricted	90	(7,983)	8,073
Total net assets	<u>\$ 90</u>	<u>\$ 7,663</u>	<u>\$ (7,573)</u>

Over time, net assets can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2012 and 2011, the Academy's net assets totaled \$90 and \$7,663, respectively.

Current assets represent cash and intergovernmental receivables. The Academy reported an intergovernmental receivable for grants at June 30, 2012 in the amount of \$58,783. As a result of the full-time equivalency review by the Ohio Department of Education at June 30, 2012, an intergovernmental receivable in the amount of \$26,172 was reported (see Note 14.B to the notes to the basic financial statements for detail).

Current liabilities of \$85,048 represent accounts and intergovernmental payables for professional services.



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The table below shows the changes in net assets for fiscal years 2012 and 2011.

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b><u>Operating Revenues:</u></b>			
State foundation	\$ 1,079,252	\$ 220,318	\$ 858,934
Other	-	22,116	(22,116)
Total operating revenue	<u>1,079,252</u>	<u>242,434</u>	<u>836,818</u>
<b><u>Operating Expenses:</u></b>			
Salaries and wages	-	109,063	(109,063)
Fringe benefits	-	46,280	(46,280)
Purchased services	1,447,278	226,693	1,220,585
Materials and supplies	-	105,890	(105,890)
Other	<u>10,130</u>	<u>238</u>	<u>9,892</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>1,457,408</u>	<u>488,164</u>	<u>969,244</u>
<b><u>Non-operating Revenues:</u></b>			
Federal and state grants	<u>370,583</u>	<u>253,393</u>	<u>117,190</u>
Total non-operating revenues	<u>370,583</u>	<u>253,393</u>	<u>117,190</u>
Change in net assets	(7,573)	7,663	(15,236)
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>7,663</u>	-	<u>7,663</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$ 90</u>	<u>\$ 7,663</u>	<u>\$ (7,573)</u>

The Academy began operations in fiscal year 2011 with 64 students and on December 27, 2010 operations were suspended by the Sponsor through June 15, 2011. Fiscal year 2012 enrollment increased to 146 students, which, along with fiscal year 2012 being the Academy's first full year in operation, contributed directly to the increase in State foundation revenue and overall expenses from fiscal year 2011. The Academy relies on State foundation revenues for operations, with 74.43 percent of total revenues coming from State foundation for fiscal year 2012. Federal and state grants include monies received from the Federal breakfast and lunch, Federal Start-Up, Title VI-B, Title I, and Education Jobs programs. The Academy contracted with Imagine Schools, Inc. for management services for the entire fiscal year for 2012 (see Note 9.B to the notes to the basic financial statements), as a result there were no expenses for salaries and wages, fringe benefits, and materials and supplies to report.

***Debt***

The Academy had no debt obligations outstanding at June 30, 2012 or June 30, 2011.

***Capital Assets***

The Academy had no capital assets to report at June 30, 2012 or June 30, 2011.

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**Restrictions and Other Limitations**

The future stability of the Academy is not without challenges. The Academy does not receive any funds from taxes. The primary source of funding is the State foundation program. An economic slowdown in the State could result in budgetary cuts to education, which would have a negative impact on the Academy.

**Current Financial Related Activities**

The Academy is sponsored by Portage County Educational Service Center. The Academy is reliant upon State foundation monies and Federal Grants to offer quality, educational services to students.

In order to continually provide learning opportunities to the Academy's students, the Academy will apply resources to best meet the needs of its students. It is the intent of the Academy to apply for other State and Federal funds that are made available to finance its operations.

**Contacting the Academy's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our clients and creditors with a general overview of the Academy's finances and to show the Academy's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Mr. Richard Berdine, Treasurer, Imagine Cleveland Academy, 3443 E. 93<sup>rd</sup> Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44104.

**BASIC  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**IMAGINE CLEVELAND ACADEMY**  
**CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO**  
**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS**  
**JUNE 30, 2012**

<b>Assets:</b>	
Current assets:	
Cash . . . . .	\$ 183
Receivables:	
Intergovernmental. . . . .	<u>84,955</u>
Total assets. . . . .	<u>85,138</u>
 <b>Liabilities:</b>	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable . . . . .	81,069
Intergovernmental payable . . . . .	<u>3,979</u>
Total liabilities . . . . .	<u>85,048</u>
 <b>Net assets:</b>	
Unrestricted. . . . .	<u>90</u>
Total net assets . . . . .	<u><u>\$ 90</u></u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**IMAGINE CLEVELAND ACADEMY  
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 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND  
 CHANGES IN NET ASSETS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

<b>Operating revenues:</b>	
State foundation . . . . .	\$ 1,079,252
Total operating revenues . . . . .	1,079,252
 <b>Operating expenses:</b>	
Purchased services. . . . .	1,447,278
Other. . . . .	10,130
Total operating expenses . . . . .	1,457,408
 Operating loss . . . . .	 (378,156)
 <b>Non-operating revenues:</b>	
Federal and state grants . . . . .	370,583
Total non-operating revenues. . . . .	370,583
 Change in net assets . . . . .	 (7,573)
 <b>Net assets at beginning of year . . . . .</b>	 7,663
 <b>Net assets at end of year . . . . .</b>	 \$ 90

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**IMAGINE CLEVELAND ACADEMY**  
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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>	
Cash received from state foundation. . . . .	\$ 1,053,080
Cash payments for purchased services . . . . .	(1,362,230)
Cash payments for other expenses . . . . .	<u>(10,130)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities . . . . .	<u>(319,280)</u>
<b>Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:</b>	
Cash received from federal and state grants . . . . .	<u>311,800</u>
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities. . . . .	<u>311,800</u>
Net decrease in cash. . . . .	(7,480)
<b>Cash at beginning of year . . . . .</b>	<u>7,663</u>
<b>Cash at end of year. . . . .</b>	<u><u>\$ 183</u></u>
<b>Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:</b>	
Operating loss . . . . .	\$ (378,156)
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
(Increase) in intergovernmental receivable . . . . .	(26,172)
Increase in accounts payable. . . . .	81,069
Increase in intergovernmental payable. . . . .	<u>3,979</u>
Net cash used in operating activities . . . . .	<u><u>\$ (319,280)</u></u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

**NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE ACADEMY**

The Imagine Cleveland Academy (the “Academy”) is a nonprofit corporation established pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapters 3314 and 1702. The Academy was established as an alternative to traditional public education for kindergarten through fourth grade students. The Academy, which is part of the State’s education program, is independent of any school district and is nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations. The Academy may sue and be sued, acquire facilities as needed, and contract for any services necessary for the operation of the Academy.

On May 12, 2010, the Academy, originally named Aspire Academy, was approved under contract with the Portage County Educational Service Center (the “Sponsor”) commencing on July 1, 2010 and ending on June 30, 2015. The Sponsor is responsible for evaluating the performance of the Academy and has the authority to deny renewal of the contract at its expiration.

For the period July 1, 2010 through November 29, 2010, Multi-State Billing Services, LLC served as the operating company for the Academy. The Academy began contracting with Imagine Schools, Inc. for most functions effective November 30, 2010 (see Note 9.B for detail), at which time the school was renamed the Imagine Cleveland Academy.

On December 27, 2010, the operations of the Academy were suspended by the Sponsor. The suspension was rescinded on June 15, 2011.

The Academy operates under the direction of a five-member Governing Board who are not owners or employees, or relatives of owners or employees, of any for-profit company that operates or manages the Academy. The Governing Board is responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract, which include, but are not limited to, State-mandated provisions regarding student population, curriculum, academic goals, performance standards, admission standards and qualification of teachers. The Governing Board controls the Academy’s instructional/support facility staffed by employees of the management company who provide services to 146 students.

**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The basic financial statements (BFS) of the Academy have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Academy also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statements and Interpretations issued prior to November 30, 1989, provided those pronouncements do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The Academy has elected not to apply FASB Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989. The Academy’s significant accounting policies are described below.

**A. Basis of Presentation**

The Academy’s basic financial statements consist of a statement of net assets, a statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets, and a statement of cash flows.

The Academy uses a single enterprise presentation. Enterprise reporting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net assets, financial position, and cash flows.

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**NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

**B. Measurement Focus**

Enterprise activity is accounted for using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the Academy are included on the statement of net assets. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets presents increases (e.g. revenues) and decreases (e.g. expenses) in total net assets. The statement of cash flows reflects how the Academy finances meet its cash flow needs.

**C. Basis of Accounting**

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recognized in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. The Academy's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. Revenue resulting from non-exchange transactions, in which the Academy receives value without directly giving equal value in return, such as grants and entitlements, are recognized in the period in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the period when the resources are required to be used or the period when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the Academy must provide local resources to be used for a specific purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Academy on a reimbursement basis. Expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

**D. Budgetary Process**

The contract between the Academy and its Sponsor prescribes an annual budget requirement in addition to preparing a 5-year forecast, which is to be updated on an annual basis. Chapter 5705.391 of the Ohio Revised Code also requires the Academy to prepare a 5-year forecast, update it annually and submit it to the Superintendent of Public Instruction at the Ohio Department of Education.

**E. Cash**

Cash received by the Academy is reflected as "cash" on the statement of net assets. Unless otherwise noted, all monies received by the Academy are pooled and deposited in a central bank account as demand deposits. The Academy did not have any investments during fiscal year 2012.

**F. Capital Assets**

Capital assets are capitalized at cost or estimated historical cost and updated for additions and deletions during the year. The Academy has established a capitalization threshold of \$1,500. The Academy does not have any infrastructure. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized.

The Academy had no capital assets over the threshold to report at June 30, 2012.



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**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

**G. Net Assets**

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net 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 Academy applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

**H. Intergovernmental Revenues**

The Academy currently participates in the State Foundation Program, Special Education, and the Parity Aid Program. Revenue received from these programs is recognized as operating revenues. Amounts awarded under these programs for the 2012 fiscal year totaled \$1,079,252.

Grants and entitlements are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met. Eligibility includes timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the Academy must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Academy on a reimbursement basis. Federal and State grant revenue received during fiscal year 2012 was \$370,583.

**I. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations**

All payables and other accrued liabilities are reported on the statement of net assets.

**J. Operating Revenues and Expenses**

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

**K. Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

**NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE**

**Change in Accounting Principles**

For fiscal year 2012, the Academy has implemented GASB Statement No. 57, "OPEB Measurements by Agent Employers and Agent Multiple-Employer Plans", and GASB Statement No. 64, "Derivative Instruments: Application of Hedge Accounting Termination Provisions - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 53".

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**NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE - (Continued)**

GASB Statement No. 57 addresses issues related to the use of the alternative measurement method and the frequency and timing of measurements by employers that participate in agent multiple-employer other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plans. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 57 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Academy.

GASB Statement No. 64 clarifies the circumstances in which a hedge accounting should continue when a swap counterparty, or a swap counterparty's credit support provider, is replaced. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 64 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Academy.

**NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the Academy's deposits may not be returned. The Academy does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At June 30, 2012, the carrying amount of the Academy's deposits and the bank balance was \$183. The entire bank balance was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). There are no significant statutory restrictions regarding the deposit and investment of funds by the non-profit corporation.

**NOTE 5 - RECEIVABLES/PAYABLES**

Receivables at June 30, 2012, consisted of intergovernmental receivables arising from grants and entitlements and amounts due from other governments. All receivables are considered collectible in full. A summary of the intergovernmental receivables follows:

<b>Intergovernmental receivable:</b>	<u>Amount</u>
Federal breakfast & lunch reimbursement	\$ 11,340
Federal start-up grant	27,672
Title VI-B	9,049
Title I	9,438
Education jobs	1,284
Ohio Department of Education (ODE) - FY12 enrollment and full-time equivalency (FTE) adjustment	<u>26,172</u>
Total intergovernmental receivables	<u>\$ 84,955</u>

Under the terms of the operating contract with Imagine Schools, Inc. (see Note 9.B for detail), the Academy has recorded accounts payable to Imagine Schools, Inc. in the amount of \$57,499, for 100 percent of any State and Federal grant monies uncollected or unpaid as of June 30, 2012 and \$23,555 for 90 percent of the amount of the ODE FY12 FTE adjustment receivable at June 30, 2012.

Under the terms of the employee lease agreement with Great Western Academy (see Note 13 for detail), the Academy has recorded an intergovernmental payable in the amount of \$1,284, for 100 percent of any Education Jobs program grant monies uncollected or unpaid as of June 30, 2012.

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**NOTE 6 - PENSION PLANS**

The Academy has contracted with Imagine Schools, Inc. (See Note 9.B) to provide employee services and to pay those employees. However, these contract services do not relieve the Academy of the obligation for remitting pension contributions. The retirement systems consider the Academy as the Employer-of-Record and the Academy ultimately responsible for remitting retirement contributions to the systems noted below:

**A. School Employees Retirement System**

Plan Description - Imagine Schools, Inc., on behalf of the Academy, 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](http://www.ohsers.org), under "*Employers/Audit Resources*".

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Academy is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current Academy rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the Academy's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits. For fiscal year 2012, 12.65 percent and 0.05 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations and death benefits, respectively. 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 Academy's required contribution for pension obligations and death benefits to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 were \$13,063 and \$3,521, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2012 and 2011.

**B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio**

Plan Description - Imagine Schools, Inc., on behalf of the Academy, 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 website at [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org), under "*Publications*".

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**NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**NOTE 6 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

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.

Funding Policy - For fiscal year 2012, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Academy 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.

The Academy's required contribution for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 were \$43,251 and \$13,929, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2012 and 2011.

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**NOTE 7 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**A. School Employees Retirement System**

Plan Description - Imagine Schools, Inc., on behalf of the Academy, participates in two cost-sharing, multiple employer postemployment benefit plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System (SERS) for non-certificated 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, Medicare Advantage, and traditional indemnity plans. A prescription drug program is also available to those who elect health coverage. SERS employs two third-party administrators and a pharmacy benefit manager to manage the self-insurance and prescription drug plans, respectively. The Medicare Part B Plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries as set forth in Section 3309.69 of the Ohio Revised Code. Qualified benefit recipients who pay Medicare Part B premiums may apply for and receive a monthly reimbursement from SERS. The reimbursement amount is limited by statute to the lesser of the January 1, 1999 Medicare Part B premium or the current premium. The Medicare Part B premium for calendar year 2011 (latest information available) was \$96.40 for most participants, but could be as high as \$369.10 per month depending on their income and the SERS' reimbursement to retirees was \$45.50. 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. It is also posted on the SERS' Ohio website, [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org), under "*Employers/Audit Resources*".

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 105(e). For 2012, 0.55 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2.0 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2012, the actuarially determined amount was \$35,800.

Active members do not contribute to the postemployment benefit plans. The Retirement Board establishes the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility and retirement status.

The Academy's contribution for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 were \$566 and \$426, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2012 and 2011.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For fiscal year 2012, this actuarially required allocation was 0.75 percent of covered payroll. The Academy's contribution for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 were \$771 and \$227, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2012 and 2011.

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**NOTE 7 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)**

**B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio**

Plan Description - Imagine Schools, Inc., on behalf of the Academy, contributes to the cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan (the "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 [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org), under "Publications" 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 2012, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The Academy's contribution for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 were \$3,327 and \$1,071, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2012 and 2011.

**NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Academy 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 Academy maintained the following coverage: general liability, automobile liability, excess/umbrella liability, property liability, and crime liability through Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance; school leader's liability through National Union Fire Insurance Company; and workers compensation and employers' liability through Twin City Fire Insurance Co.

<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Limits of Coverage</u>
General liability:	
Each occurrence	\$ 1,000,000
General aggregate	3,000,000
Medical expenses	10,000
Personal & advertising injury	1,000,000
Damages to rented premises, per occurrence	100,000
Products - aggregate	3,000,000
Automobile liability:	
Combined single limit - each accident	1,000,000
Excess/umbrella liability:	
Each occurrence	15,000,000
Aggregate	15,000,000
Property liability:	
Building limit	100,000
Personal property limit	50,000

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**NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)**

<u>Coverage – (Continued)</u>	<u>Limits of Coverage</u>
Crime liability	\$1,000,000
School leader’s liability:	
Directors and officers/errors and omissions	3,000,000
Workers compensation and employers liability:	
Each accident	1,000,000
Disease - each employee	1,000,000
Disease - policy limit	1,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in the past two years and there has been no significant reduction in coverage.

**NOTE 9 - CONTRACTS**

**A. Sponsor Contract**

The Academy entered into a sponsorship contract commencing on July 1, 2010 and ending on June 30, 2015 with the Portage County Educational Service Center (the “Sponsor”) for its establishment. The Sponsor shall carry out the responsibilities established by law, including:

- Monitor the Academy’s compliance with the laws applicable to the Academy and with the terms of this contract;
- Monitor and evaluate the academic and fiscal performance and the organization of the Academy on at least an annual basis;
- Provide reasonable technical assistance to the Academy in complying with this contract and with applicable laws (provided, however, the Sponsor shall not be obligated to give legal advice to the Academy);
- Take steps to intervene in the Academy’s operation to correct problems in the Academy’s overall performance, declare the Academy to be on probationary status under Ohio Revised Code Section 3314.073, suspend operation of the Academy pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3314.072, or terminate or non-renew this contract pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3314.07, as determined necessary by the Sponsor; and
- Establish and/or require a plan of action to be undertaken if the Academy experiences financial difficulties or losses before the end of the school year.

The Academy paid the Sponsor \$31,588 for services during fiscal year 2012.



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**NOTE 9 - CONTRACTS - (Continued)**

**B. Operating Contract**

The Academy entered into an operating contract with Imagine Schools, Inc. for management consulting services. The contract shall continue until termination or expiration without renewal of the charter. Imagine Schools, Inc. is required to provide the following services:

- Personnel & human resources administration
- Program of instruction
- Purchasing & contracts
- Budgeting, financial reporting and audit preparation
- Compliance issues
- Curriculum research and development
- Marketing and publicity
- Equipment and facilities
- Grant preparation and management

For the services listed above, the Academy is required to pay a fee to Imagine Schools, Inc. The fee is equal to approximately 90 percent of the total per pupil allowance received from the State of Ohio and of state and/or federal grant funds received by the Academy for the creation and operation of its school. Imagine Schools, Inc. charges the Academy (retains) an amount equaling the excess of unrestricted revenue over expense. Payments to Imagine Schools, Inc. amounted to \$1,328,026 during fiscal year 2012.

**NOTE 10 - OPERATING COMPANY EXPENSES**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012, Imagine Schools, Inc. and its affiliates incurred the following expenses (reported on cash-basis) on behalf of the Academy:

Direct Expenses:	
Salaries and wages	\$ 442,281
Employees' benefits	138,269
Purchased services	280,350
Supplies and materials	67,313
Capital outlay	153,527
Other direct costs	30,713
Indirect Expenses	<u>136,880</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 1,249,333</u>



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**NOTE 11 - PURCHASED SERVICES EXPENSES**

For fiscal year 2012, purchased services expenses were as follows:

Operating fees	\$ 1,328,026
Sponsor fees	31,588
Operating lease	60,000
Professional and technical services	<u>27,664</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,447,278</u>

**NOTE 12 - OPERATING LEASE**

The Academy entered into a lease agreement on August 17, 2011, with Schoolhouse Finance, LLC, to lease classroom space for the Academy. The term of the lease commenced September 15, 2011, and shall continue so long as the contract between the Academy and the Academy's Sponsor remains in effect, inclusive of any renewals of the charter agreement. The Academy shall pay to Schoolhouse Finance, LLC \$6,000 in monthly base rent; provided, however, that in the event of Schoolhouse Finance, LLC's total cost to acquire and improve the premises for the benefit of the Academy is either greater than or less than \$600,000, the parties agree to amend the lease accordingly. The Academy paid \$60,000 in operating lease payments to Schoolhouse Finance, LLC, during fiscal year 2012.

**NOTE 13 - EMPLOYEE LEASE AGREEMENT**

The Academy entered into an Employee Lease Agreement with Great Western Academy on August 1, 2011, to lease employees qualified to perform on-site school services for the 2011-2012 school year. The Academy agreed to pay Great Western Academy an amount not to exceed the Education Jobs program funding allocation of \$23,998 for the services performed under the agreement.

**NOTE 14 - CONTINGENCIES**

**A. Grants**

The Academy 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. However in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Academy at June 30, 2012.

**B. Ohio Department of Education Enrollment Review**

The Ohio Department of Education conducts reviews of enrollment data and full-time equivalency (FTE) calculations made by the 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. As a result of the fiscal year 2012 reviews, the Academy is due \$26,172 from ODE. This amount has been reported as an intergovernmental receivable on the statement of net assets.



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

Imagine Cleveland Academy  
Cuyahoga County  
3443 E. 93<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44104

To the Board of Directors:

We have audited the financial statements of the Imagine Cleveland Academy, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (the School) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, and have issued our report thereon dated March 11, 2013. 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 School'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 School's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the School'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 School'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.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the School'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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Directors, the School's sponsor, and others within the School. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

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**Dave Yost**  
Auditor of State

March 11, 2013

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**IMAGINE CLEVELAND ACADEMY**

**SUMMIT 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.**

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
APRIL 2, 2013**