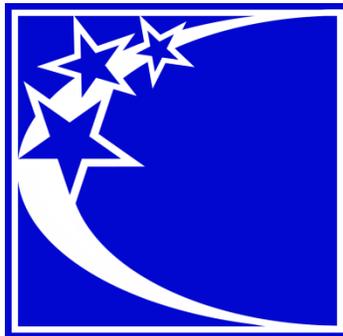


**CONSTELLATION SCHOOLS: PURITAS COMMUNITY ELEMENTARY  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO**

**REGULAR AUDIT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**



**Constellation Schools**  
*"The Right Choice for Parents and a Real Chance for Children!"*





# Dave Yost • Auditor of State

Board of Trustees  
Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary  
15204 Puritas Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44135

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary, Cuyahoga County, prepared by Rea & Associates, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Yost".

Dave Yost  
Auditor of State

December 31, 2014



**CONSTELLATION SCHOOLS: PURITAS COMMUNITY ELEMENTARY  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

December 16, 2014

To the Board of Trustees  
Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary  
15204 Puritas Avenue  
Cleveland, OH 44135

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (the School), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

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

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

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 *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the School as of June 30, 2014, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

***Other Matters***

***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3-7 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 16, 2014 on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Rea & Associates, Inc.*

Medina, Ohio

# **CONSTELLATION SCHOOLS: PURITAS COMMUNITY ELEMENTARY**

## **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

For the Year Ended June 30, 2014

The discussion and analysis of Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary (PTCE) financial performance provides an overall review of financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the financial performance of PTCE as a whole. Readers should also review the Notes to the Financial Statements and the Financial Statements to enhance their understanding of the financial performance of PTCE.

### **Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2014 include the following:

- In 2014 net position increased \$26,613, which represents a 2.1% increase from 2013. This increase is due to slight increases in federal grants and casino tax revenues.
- Total assets increased \$47,007, which represents a 3.7% increase from 2013. This is due to an increase in cash primarily from the collection of loans receivable as well as net operating revenue for the year.
- Liabilities increased \$20,394, which represents a 112.7% increase from 2013. Increases in loans payable to acquire technology equipment were offset by reductions in accounts payable.
- Operating revenues increased by \$24,233, which represents a 1.5% increase from 2013. This is a direct result of casino tax collection increases and other income earned during the year.
- Expenses increased by \$10,907 which represents a 0.6% increase from 2013. Slight operating increases occurring in salaries, benefits, depreciation and other expenses were offset in part by slight decreases in purchased services, materials, supplies and capital purchases.
- Non-operating revenues increased by \$14,138 which represents a 5.5% increase from 2013. This increase is due to increases in federal funding with a slight decrease in interest earnings.

### **Using this Financial Report**

This report consists of three parts, Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Financial Statements and the Notes to the Financial Statements. The Financial Statements include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position and a Statement of Cash Flows.

# CONSTELLATION SCHOOLS: PURITAS COMMUNITY ELEMENTARY

## Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Year Ended June 30, 2014

### Statement of Net Position

The Statement of Net Position looks at how well PTCE has performed financially through June 30, 2014. This statement includes all of the assets, liabilities and net position using the accrual basis of accounting, which is the accounting method used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all revenues earned and expenses incurred during the year, regardless as to when the cash is received or expended.

The following schedule provides a summary Statement of Net Position for fiscal years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013 for PTCE.

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash	\$1,170,888	\$978,322	\$192,566	19.7%
Other Current Assets	81,771	239,265	(157,494)	-65.8%
Non-Current Assets	25,000	25,000	0	0.0%
Capital Assets	<u>37,896</u>	<u>25,961</u>	<u>11,935</u>	<u>46.0%</u>
Total Assets	<u>1,315,555</u>	<u>1,268,548</u>	<u>47,007</u>	<u>3.7%</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Current Liabilities	19,965	18,089	1,876	10.4%
Long Term Liabilities	<u>18,518</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>18,518</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>38,483</u>	<u>18,089</u>	<u>20,394</u>	<u>112.7%</u>
<b>Net Position</b>				
Investment in Capital Assets	11,961	25,961	(14,000)	-53.9%
Unrestricted	<u>1,265,111</u>	<u>1,224,498</u>	<u>40,613</u>	<u>3.3%</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$1,277,072</u>	<u>\$1,250,459</u>	<u>\$26,613</u>	<u>2.1%</u>

Net Position increased in fiscal year ended June 30, 2014 and decreased in fiscal year ended June 30, 2013. Enrollment remained steady in both years and the school experienced many minor increases and decreases in revenues and expenses. For assets, cash increased \$192,566; accounts receivable increased \$7,118; due from other governments decreased \$6,228; loans receivable decreased \$158,384 and net capital assets increased \$11,935 from 2013. For liabilities, accounts payable decreased \$4,973, interest payable increased \$40, unearned revenue (previously deferred revenues) decreased \$519; due to other governments decreased \$89 and loans payable increased \$25,935 from 2013.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Year Ended June 30, 2014

### Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position reports operating and non-operating activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

The following schedule provides a summary of the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position for PTCE for fiscal years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013.

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>Revenues</b>				
Foundation and Poverty Based Assistance Revenues	\$1,440,105	\$1,434,743	\$5,362	0.4%
Other Operating Revenues	<u>153,334</u>	<u>134,463</u>	<u>18,871</u>	<u>14.0%</u>
Total Operating Revenues	<u>1,593,439</u>	<u>1,569,206</u>	<u>24,233</u>	<u>1.5%</u>
Interest Income	7,583	10,693	(3,110)	-29.1%
Federal and State Grants	<u>265,371</u>	<u>248,123</u>	<u>17,248</u>	<u>7.0%</u>
Total Non-Operating Revenues	<u>272,954</u>	<u>258,816</u>	<u>14,138</u>	<u>5.5%</u>
Total Revenues	<u>1,866,393</u>	<u>1,828,022</u>	<u>38,371</u>	<u>2.1%</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Salaries	760,576	747,233	13,343	1.8%
Fringe Benefits	241,179	231,762	9,417	4.1%
Purchased Services	716,661	731,388	(14,727)	-2.0%
Materials and Supplies	71,408	73,727	(2,319)	-3.1%
Capital Outlay	6,267	20,389	(14,122)	-69.3%
Depreciation	12,796	9,186	3,610	39.3%
Other Expenses	<u>30,893</u>	<u>15,188</u>	<u>15,705</u>	<u>103.4%</u>
Total Expenses	<u>1,839,780</u>	<u>1,828,873</u>	<u>10,907</u>	<u>0.6%</u>
Changes in Net Position	<u>26,613</u>	<u>(851)</u>	<u>27,464</u>	<u>3227.3%</u>
Net Position: Beginning of the Year	<u>1,250,459</u>	<u>1,251,310</u>	<u>(851)</u>	<u>-0.1%</u>
Net Position: End of Year	<u>\$1,277,072</u>	<u>\$1,250,459</u>	<u>\$26,613</u>	<u>2.1%</u>

# CONSTELLATION SCHOOLS: PURITAS COMMUNITY ELEMENTARY

## Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2014

Net Position increased in fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 and decreased slightly in fiscal year ending June 30, 2013. Enrollment remained steady in both years resulting in minor changes in revenues and expenses. Although certain expenditures such as salaries will increase or decrease as the number of classes increase and decrease other costs remain fixed such as facilities costs resulting in more efficient operations. Additionally, grants have been received for capital improvements to our building and to purchase various educational programs and equipment.

Overall, revenues increased by \$38,371 from 2013 to 2014. The most significant changes in revenues from 2013 to 2014 are increases of \$5,999 in Casino tax revenues, an increase in federal funding which totaled \$17,349; an increase in materials fees for \$5,153 and other miscellaneous increases. Minor changes occurred in state Foundation funding; state grants and other operating revenues which had minimal effect on the overall revenue.

Expenses increased slightly by \$10,907 from 2013 mostly as a result of steady enrollment and normal annual increases. Salaries and Fringe Benefits increased \$22,760 due to routine annual increases. Purchased services decreased \$14,727 due a combination of increases and decreases but mainly from decreases in facility services. Materials and Supplies decreased \$2,319 due to decreased purchases of supplies and text books with increased purchases in software. Capital Outlay decreased \$14,122 due to reductions in instructional technology, furniture and equipment. Depreciation increased slightly by \$3,610 because of technology acquired during the year. Other Expenses increased \$15,705.

### Capital Assets

As of June 30, 2014, PTCE had \$37,896 invested in technology, software, furniture and equipment, net of depreciation. This is an \$11,935 increase from June 30, 2013.

The following schedule provides a summary of Capital Assets as of June 30, 2014 and 2013 for PTCE.

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>Capital Assets (net of depreciation)</b>				
Computers and Technology	\$28,683	\$12,012	\$16,671	138.8%
Furniture and Equipment	9,213	13,949	(4,736)	-34.0%
 Net Capital Assets	 <u>\$37,896</u>	 <u>\$25,961</u>	 <u>\$11,935</u>	 <u>46.0%</u>

For more information on capital assets see the Notes to the Financial Statements.

### Loans Receivable

On June 30, 2011 PTCE executed two unsecured promissory notes with Constellation Schools: Madison Community Elementary (MDCE) for \$200,000 and Constellation Schools: Stockyard Community Middle (SCM) for \$150,000. Each note carries interest at 4% per annum. During 2014 the full principal balance due from MDCE was collected. The note for SCM is due on June 30, 2015. As of June 30, 2014, principal balances on the note for SCM is \$71,192.

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## **Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2014**

### **Equipment Financing**

During fiscal year 2014, PTCE secured a four year loan with CF Bank to purchase \$30,710 of technology equipment. The loan is for a term of 4 years with interest at 3.99% per annum. Interest and principal are paid monthly with loan maturity occurring on October 15, 2017. Equipment purchased with loan proceeds has been capitalized. The outstanding principal value as of June 30, 2014 on the loan payable is \$25,935.

In February of 2014 PTCE entered into a group leasing agreement to lease technology equipment. As of December 15, 2014 PTCE has drawn \$5,342 as a part of the lease (there were no draws prior to July 1, 2014). The lease is scheduled to close to purchases during the month of December after which it will convert to a 48 month lease with an approximate interest rate of 2.15%.

### **Current Financial Issues**

Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary (PTCE) opened in the fall of 2003. It has grown from 61 students, five teaching staff members and expenses of \$493,819 to a total of 195 students, eighteen teaching staff members and expenses of \$1,839,780. During the 2007 school year grades 5 and 6 were split off to form Puritas Community Middle School which is providing more flexibility in the curriculum for each student and will improve our options for limited facilities space. Despite this change, enrollment continued to increase due to the natural growth of the lower grades.

PTCE subleased its facility until May, 2007 when the lessor abandoned their lease. In order to remain in the building, PTCE accepted assignment of the lease from the previous lessor. During the year the lease was extended until December 31, 2018. PTCE subleases a portion of its space to the middle school with lease amounts determined by the amount of space used by the school.

As the nation continues to recover from a major economic downturn, the Board of Directors, school management and school staff have worked diligently to ensure that the school maintains the high level of educational services and financial integrity that we have always provided. Our goal is to provide a strong educational product for our students and families and to maintain the reputation we have developed during our previous years.

### **Contacting the School's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our constituents with a general overview of the finances for PTCE and to show accountability for the monies it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information please contact Thomas F. Babb, M.A., CPA, by mail at Constellation Schools LLC, 5730 Broadview Road, Parma, Ohio 44134; by e-mail at [babb.thomas@constellationschools.com](mailto:babb.thomas@constellationschools.com); by calling 216.712.7600; or by faxing 216.712.7601.

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**Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary**  
**Cuyahoga County, Ohio**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
**As of June 30, 2014**

**Assets:**

**Current Assets:**

Cash	\$1,170,888
Loans Receivable	71,192
Due from Other Governments	3,212
Accounts Receivable	<u>7,367</u>
<i>Total Current Assets</i>	<u>1,252,659</u>

**Non-Current Assets:**

Security Deposits	25,000
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	<u>37,896</u>
<i>Total Non-Current Assets</i>	<u>62,896</u>

<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>1,315,555</u>
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**Liabilities:**

**Current Liabilities:**

Accounts Payable	5,847
Interest Payable	40
Unearned Revenue	6,661
Loan Payable	<u>7,417</u>
<i>Total Current Liabilities</i>	<u>19,965</u>

**Long Term Liabilities:**

Loan Payable	<u>18,518</u>
<i>Total Long Term Liabilities</i>	<u>18,518</u>

<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>38,483</u>
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**Net Position:**

Net Investment in Capital Assets	11,961
Unrestricted	<u>1,265,111</u>

<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u><u>\$1,277,072</u></u>
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The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary  
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Statement of Revenues, Expenses and  
Changes in Net Position  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014**

**Operating Revenues:**

Foundation and Poverty Based Assistance Revenues	\$1,440,105
Other Operating Revenues	<u>153,334</u>
<i>Total Operating Revenues</i>	<u>1,593,439</u>

**Operating Expenses:**

Salaries	760,576
Fringe Benefits	241,179
Purchased Services	716,661
Materials and Supplies	71,408
Capital Outlay	6,267
Depreciation	12,796
Other Operating Expenses	<u>30,075</u>
<i>Total Operating Expenses</i>	<u>1,838,962</u>
Operating Loss	<u>(245,523)</u>

**Non-Operating Revenues & (Expenses):**

Interest Income	7,583
Interest Expense	(818)
Federal and State Grants	<u>265,371</u>
<i>Total Non-Operating Revenues &amp; (Expenses)</i>	<u>272,136</u>
Change in Net Position	<u>26,613</u>
Net Position at Beginning of the Year	<u>1,250,459</u>
Net Position at End of Year	<u><u>\$1,277,072</u></u>

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

**Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary  
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Statement of Cash Flows  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014**

**Increase (Decrease) in Cash:**

**Cash Flows from Operating Activities:**

Cash Received from State of Ohio	\$1,440,105
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(1,067,793)
Cash Payments to Employees for Services	(760,576)
Other Operating Revenues	<u>152,815</u>
Net Cash Used for Operating Activities	<u>(235,449)</u>

**Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:**

Federal and State Grants	<u>269,155</u>
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	<u>269,155</u>

**Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:**

Payments for Capital Acquisitions	(32,264)
Proceeds From Loans Payable	30,710
Loan Principal Payments	(4,775)
Loan Interest Payments	<u>(778)</u>
Net Cash Used for Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>(7,107)</u>

**Cash Flows from Investing Activities:**

Interest	7,583
Principal Collected for Loans Receivable	<u>158,384</u>
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	<u>165,967</u>
Net Increase in Cash	192,566
Cash at Beginning of Year	<u>978,322</u>
Cash at End of Year	<u><u>\$1,170,888</u></u>

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

**Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary**  
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**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014**  
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**Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net**  
**Cash Used for Operating Activities:**

Operating Loss	<u>(\$245,523)</u>
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**Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to**  
**Net Cash Used for Operating Activities:**

Depreciation	12,796
Loss on Disposal of Capital Asset	165
Capital Asset Returned for Refund	7,368

Changes in Assets and Liabilities:

Decrease in Due from Other Governments	2,445
(Increase) in Accounts Receivable	(7,208)
(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	(4,973)
(Decrease) in Unearned Revenue	<u>(519)</u>

Total Adjustments	<u>10,074</u>
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Net Cash Used for Operating Activities	<u><u>(\$235,449)</u></u>
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The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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**I. Description of the School and Reporting Entity**

**Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary (PTCE)**, is a nonprofit corporation established October 17, 2001 pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapters 3314 and 1702 to maintain and provide a school exclusively for any educational, literary, scientific and related teaching service that qualifies as an exempt organization under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. On May 5, 2003, PTCE received a determination letter confirming tax-exempt status with the Internal Revenue Service under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Management is not aware of any course of action or series of events that have occurred that might adversely affect the tax-exempt status of PTCE. PTCE, which is part of Ohio's education program, is independent of any school district. PTCE may sue and be sued, acquire facilities as needed, and contract for any services necessary for the operation of PTCE.

PTCE was approved for operation under a contract between the Governing Authority of PTCE originally under the name of Euclid Community School and the Ohio Department of Education (the Sponsor) for a period of five years commencing July 1, 2002 and terminating on June 30, 2007. On May 13, 2003, the name of the school was changed to Puritas Community School. On October 16, 2003 PTCE entered into a contract with Lucas County Educational Service Center (LCESC) to have LCESC replace the Ohio Department of Education as their sponsor. The contract with LCESC, now known as ESC of Lake Erie West (ESCLEW) has been renewed with a current expiration date of June 30, 2022. Under the terms of the contract LCESC will provide sponsorship services for a fee. See Note XIV for further discussion of the sponsor services.

PTCE entered into an agreement with Constellation Schools (CS) to provide legal, financial, business and educational management services for the fiscal year. See Note XIV for further discussion of this management agreement.

PTCE operates under a five member Board of Directors. The 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 Board of Directors controls PTCE's instructional facility staffed by eighteen certificated full time teaching personnel and four support staff who provide services to 195 students. During 2014, the board members for PTCE also serve as the board for Constellation Schools: Westpark Community Elementary, Constellation Schools: Mansfield Community Elementary, Constellation Schools: Madison Community Elementary and Constellation Schools: Stockyard Community Elementary.

**II. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The financial statements of PTCE have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental nonprofit organizations. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted

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standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of PTCE's accounting policies are described below.

**1. Basis of Presentation**

Enterprise accounting is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or where it has been decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

**2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by its measurement focus. Enterprise accounting uses a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities are included on the Statement of Net Position. Operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total position.

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

**3. Change in Accounting Principles**

For 2014, PTCE has implemented GASB Statement No. 65, "*Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*". GASB Statement No. 65 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as *deferred outflows of resources* or *deferred inflows of resources*, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities and recognizes, as outflows of resources or inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and

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liabilities. GASB Statement No. 65 also provides other financial reporting guidance related to the impact of the financial statement elements *deferred outflows of resources* and *deferred inflows of resources*, such as changes in the determination of the major fund calculations and limiting the use of the term *deferred* in financial statement presentations. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 65 did not have an effect on the financial statements of PTCE.

**4. Cash**

All monies received by PTCE are deposited in demand deposit accounts.

**5. Budgetary Process**

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705.391 PTCE prepares and adopts an annual budget which includes estimated revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year and a five year forecast of revenues and expenditures. PTCE will from time to time adopt budget revisions as necessary.

**6. Due From Other Governments**

Monies due PTCE for the year ended June 30, 2014 are recorded as Due From Other Governments. A current asset for the receivable amount is recorded at the time of the event causing the monies to be due.

**7. Capital Assets and Depreciation**

Capital assets are capitalized at cost and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the dates received. All items with a useful life of one year or greater and a value of \$1,000 or more are capitalized. 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.

All capital assets are depreciated. Depreciation of technology, software, furniture and equipment is computed using the straight line method over their estimated useful lives. Improvements to fixed assets are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets or less. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

<b>Capital Asset Classification</b>	<b>Years</b>
Technology & Software	3 to 5
Furniture and Equipment	10

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**8. Intergovernmental Revenues**

PTCE currently participates in the State Foundation Program, the State Poverty Based Assistance Program and Casino Tax Distribution. Revenues received from these programs are recognized as operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met. PTCE also participates in Federal Entitlement Programs, the Federal Lunch Reimbursement Program, Race to the Top and various State Grant Programs. State and Federal Grants and Entitlements are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met. Amounts awarded under the above named programs for the 2014 school year totaled \$1,705,476.

**9. Private Grants and Contributions**

PTCE received grants and contributions from private sources to support the schools programs. Private grants and contributions are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which they are received. PTCE did not receive any grants and contributions for the 2014 school year.

**10. Compensated Absences**

Vacation is taken in a manner which corresponds with the school calendar; therefore, PTCE does not accrue vacation time as a liability.

Sick leave benefits are earned at the rate of one and one-quarter day per month and can be accrued up to a maximum of one hundred twenty days. PTCE will accept the transfer of sick days from another school district up to the maximum accrual amount. No financial accrual for sick time is made since unused sick time is not paid to employees upon employment termination.

**11. Use of Estimates**

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

**12. Unearned Revenue**

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. The unearned revenue for PTCE consists of materials fees received in the current year which pertains to the next school year.

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**III. Deposits**

At fiscal year end June 30, 2014, the carrying amount of PTCE's deposits totaled \$1,170,888 and its bank balance was \$1,183,430. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosure," as of June 30, 2014, \$933,430 of the bank balance was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$250,000 was covered by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, PTCE will not be able to recover the deposits. 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 the 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 PTCE.

**IV. Purchased Services**

Purchased Services include the following:

Instruction	\$36,573
Pupil Support Services	64,519
Staff Development & Support	22,534
Administrative	236,388
Occupancy Costs	300,141
Food Services	54,490
Extracurricular Activities	<u>2,016</u>
Total Purchased Services	<u><u>\$716,661</u></u>

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**V. Capital Assets**

A summary of capital assets at June 30, 2014 follows:

	Balance <u>6/30/13</u>	Additions	Deletions	Balance <u>6/30/14</u>
Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Building Improvements	\$291,920	\$0	\$0	\$291,920
Technology and Software	55,854	32,264	(9,167)	78,951
Furniture and Equipment	<u>49,435</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(1,241)</u>	<u>48,194</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	<u>397,209</u>	<u>32,264</u>	<u>(10,408)</u>	<u>419,065</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation				
Building Improvements	(291,920)	0	0	(291,920)
Technology and Software	(43,842)	(8,225)	1,799	(50,268)
Furniture and Equipment	<u>(35,486)</u>	<u>(4,571)</u>	<u>1,076</u>	<u>(38,981)</u>
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(371,248)</u>	<u>(12,796)</u>	<u>2,875</u>	<u>(381,169)</u>
Total Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>\$25,961</u>	<u>\$19,468</u>	<u>(\$7,533)</u>	<u>\$37,896</u>

**VI. Operating Leases**

PTCE subleased its facilities from Sovereign Day Care, LLC (Sovereign) under a one-year sublease agreement effective August 1, 2003 that was renewed annually. In May, 2007 Sovereign abandoned its lease with Puritas Plaza Partnership (Owner). In order to remain in the building and to obtain all of the space previously occupied by Sovereign, PTCE was required by Owner to assume the balance of Sovereigns' lease. Under the terms of the assumption, the lease period was from June 1, 2007 through July 31, 2011 and could not be cancelled. PTCE was also required to pay Owner unpaid rent and water for the month of May, 2007. In August 2010 the lease was extended through December 31, 2013 at a monthly cost of \$18,833. In December 2013 the lease was

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extended through December 31, 2018 at a monthly cost of \$19,775. Lease payments recorded for the year ended June 30, 2014 totaled \$231,650.

At the time of the abandonment of the lease by Sovereign, PTCE had a balance of \$119,450 in unpaid Leasehold Improvements due to Sovereign. As of May 31, 2007, PTCE has written-off the remaining balance of Leasehold Improvements Payable and has also reduced capitalized Leasehold Improvements by the same amount. The depreciable life of the remaining leasehold improvements has been adjusted to reflect the new contract term. Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Lease Payments</u>
2015	\$237,300
2016	237,300
2017	237,300
2018	237,300
2019	<u>118,650</u>
Total	<u><u>\$1,067,850</u></u>

**VII. Sub Lease**

PTCE sub-leases space to Constellation Schools: Westpark Community Middle (PTCM) for the year. Under the terms of the sub-lease PTCM made monthly lease payments of \$5,000. PTCE charged PTCM a total of \$60,000 during the year. As of June 30, 2014 all lease payments were collected from PTCM.

**VIII. Loans Receivable**

On June 30, 2011 PTCE executed two unsecured promissory notes with Constellation Schools: Madison Community Elementary (MDCE) in the amount of \$200,000 and Constellation Schools: Stockyard Community Middle (SCM) in the amount of \$150,000. Each note carries interest at 4% per annum. Interest only was charged through September 30, 2011 at which time interest and principal payments began. Payments are based on a five year amortization schedule with a balloon payment for the principal balance due at June 30, 2014. In April 2014 the full principal balance due from MDCE was collected. At the November 2014 board meeting the PTCE board voted to extend the note for SCM under the same amortization schedule through June 30, 2015 at which time the remaining principal balance will be due. As of June 30, 2014, principal balances on the note for SCM is \$71,192.

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**IX. Loan Payable**

During fiscal year 2014, PTCE secured a four year loan with CF Bank to purchase \$30,710 of technology equipment. The loan is for a term of 4 years with interest at 3.99% per annum. Interest and principal are paid monthly with loan maturity occurring on October 15, 2017. Equipment purchased with loan proceeds has been capitalized. Principal payments during fiscal year 2014 totaled \$4,775 and interest paid totaled \$778. Future minimum loan payments for principal and interest under the capital lease are as follows:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$7,417	\$912	\$8,329
2016	7,723	606	8,329
2017	8,041	288	8,329
2018	2,754	22	2,776
Total	\$25,935	\$1,828	\$27,763

**X. Risk Management**

**1. Property and Liability Insurance**

PTCE 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. For fiscal year 2014, PTCE contracted with Traveler's Property Casualty Company of America for property insurance, The Hanover Insurance Company for liability insurance and errors and omissions insurance and Allamerica Financial Benefit Insurance Company for Automobile insurance.

General property and liability is covered at \$10,000,000 single occurrence limit and \$11,000,000 aggregated. Hired and Non-Owned Vehicles are covered at \$1,000,000 combined single limit of liability. Other coverage includes Employee Crime, School Leaders Errors & Omissions, Sexual Abuse and Misconduct, Electronic Data Processing and Business Interruption. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three years, nor has there been any significant reduction in insurance coverage from the prior year.

**2. Workers' Compensation**

PTCE makes premium payments to the Ohio Worker's Compensation System for employee injury coverage. There has been one claim filed by PTCE employees with the Ohio Worker's Compensation System between January 1, 2010 and June 30, 2014. The total payments made for this claim have been \$675. In the

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opinion of management, these claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of PTCE as June 30, 2014.

**3. Employee Medical, Dental, Vision and Life Benefits**

PTCE provides medical, dental, vision and life insurance benefits to all full time employees. Employees participate in premium payments through pretax payroll deductions. Total insurance benefits paid by PTCE for the fiscal year is \$108,849.

**XI. Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

**1. State Teachers Retirement System**

PTCE participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), a cost sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement system. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone comprehensive annual financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215-3371, by calling toll-free 1-888-227-7877, or by visiting the STRS website at [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org).

New members have a choice of three retirement plan options. In addition to the Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, new members are offered a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DC Plan allows members to allocate all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5% of earned compensation among various investment choices. The Combined Plan offers features of the DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are allocated to investment choices by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund a defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. Contributions into the DC Plan and the Combined Plan are credited to member accounts as employers submit their payroll information to STRS Ohio, generally on a biweekly basis. DC and Combined Plan members will transfer to the DB plan during their fifth year of membership unless they permanently select the DC or Combined Plan.

The DB Plan benefits are established under Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. Any member may retire who has (i) five years of service credit and attained age 60; (ii) 25 years of service credit and attained age 55; or (iii) 30 years of service credit regardless of age. The annual retirement allowance, payable for life, is the greater of the "formula benefit" or the "money-purchase benefit" calculation. Under the "formula benefit," the retirement allowance is based on years of credited service and final average salary, which is the average of the members' three highest salary years. The annual allowance is calculated by using a base percentage of 2.2% multiplied by the total number of years of

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service credit (including Ohio-valued purchased credit) times the final average salary. The 31<sup>st</sup> year of earned Ohio service credit is calculated at 2.5%. An additional one-tenth of a percent is added to the calculation for every year of earned Ohio service over 31 years until 100% of the final average salary is reached. For members with 35 or more years of Ohio contributing service, the first 30 years will be calculated at 2.5% instead of 2.2%. Under the "money-purchase benefit" calculation, a member's lifetime contributions plus interest at specified rates are matched by an equal amount from other STRS Ohio funds. The total is then divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor to determine the maximum annual retirement allowance. Benefits are increased annually by 3% of the original base amount for DB Plan participants.

DC Plan benefits are established under Sections 3307.80 to 3307.89 of the Ohio Revised Code. For members who select the DC Plan, all member contributions and employer contributions at a rate of 10.5% are placed in an investment account. The member determines how to allocate the member and employer money among various investment choices. 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. Employer contributions into members' accounts are vested after the first anniversary of the first day of paid service. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member dies before retirement benefits begin, the members' designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Member contributions in the Combined Plan are allocated by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund a defined benefit payment. A members' defined benefit is determined by multiplying 1% of the members' final average salary by the members' years of service credit. The defined portion of the Combined Plan is payable to a member on or after age 60. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50.

A retiree of STRS Ohio or another Ohio public retirement system is eligible for reemployment following the elapse of two months from the date of retirement. Contributions are made by the reemployed member and employer during reemployment. Upon termination of reemployment or age 65, whichever comes later, the retiree is eligible for an annuity benefit or equivalent lump-sum payment in addition to the original retirement allowance. A reemployed retiree may alternatively receive a refund of only member contributions with interest before age 65, once employment is terminated.

The DB and Combined Plan offer access to health coverage to eligible retirees who participated in the plans and their eligible dependents. Coverage under the current program includes hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and

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partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. By Ohio law, health care benefits are not guaranteed.

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 members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor benefits. A death benefit of \$1,000 is payable to the beneficiary of each deceased retired member who participated in the DB Plan. Death benefit coverage up to \$2,000 can be purchased by participants in the DB, DC or Combined Plans. Various other benefits are available to members' beneficiaries.

Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendation of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 14% for members and 14% for employers. Contribution requirements and the contributions actually made for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, were 11% of covered payroll for members and 14% for employers. The amount required to fund pension obligations during the year is 13%.

PTCE's required contributions for pension obligations for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$86,127, \$84,883 and \$101,156, respectively; 100% has been contributed for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012. Member and employer contributions actually made for DB, DC and Combined Plan participants will be provided upon written request.

**2. School Employees Retirement System**

PTCE contributes to the School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (SERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits; annual cost-of-living adjustments; and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by state statute per Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report can be obtained on SERS' website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.

Plan members are required to contribute 10% of their annual covered salary and PTCE is required to contribute 14% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended, up to statutory maximum amounts, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The Retirement Board acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund and Health Care Fund) of the System. For fiscal

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year ending June 30, 2014, the allocation to pension and death benefits is 13.10%. The remaining 0.90% of the 14% employer contribution rate is allocated to the Health Care and Medicare B Funds. PTCE's contributions to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$13,728, \$13,200 and \$11,780, respectively; 100% has been contributed for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012.

**XII. Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pension Benefits**

**1. State Teachers Retirement System**

Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer a cost-sharing, multiple employer health care plans. STRS Ohio provides access to health care coverage to eligible retirees who participated in the Defined Benefit or Combined Plans. Coverage under the current program includes hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums.

Pursuant to Section 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Retirement Board has discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the associated health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. All benefit recipients, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium.

Under Ohio law funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. Of the 14% employer contribution rate, 1% of covered payroll was allocated to post-employment health care. The 14% employer contribution rate is the maximum rate established under Ohio law. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 PTCE's contributions to post-employment health care were \$6,625, \$6,529 and \$7,781, respectively; 100% has been contributed for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012.

**2. School Employees Retirement System**

In addition to a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan the School Employees Retirement System of Ohio administers two post-employment benefit plans. The Medicare B Plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries as set forth in Ohio Revised Code 3309.69. 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 2014 was \$104.90 for most participants, but could be as high as \$335.70 per month depending on their income. SERS' reimbursement to retirees was \$45.50.

The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the current employer contribution rate to the Medicare Part B Fund. For fiscal

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year 2014 the actuarially required allocation is .76%. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 PTCE's contributions to Medicare Part B were \$745, \$698 and \$639, respectively; 100% has been contributed for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012.

Ohio Revised Code 3309.375 and 3309.69 permit SERS to offer health care benefits to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. SERS offers several types of health plans from various vendors, including HMOs, PPOs, 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 Ohio Revised Code provides a statutory authority to fund SERS' postemployment benefits through employee contributions. Active members do not make contributions to the postemployment plans.

The Health Care Fund was established under, and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code 105(e). Each year after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer 14% contribution to the Health Care Fund. For the year ended June 30, 2014 the health care allocation is 0.14%. 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% of that employer's SERS covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5% of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2014, the minimum compensation level was established at \$20,525. The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14% employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 PTCE's contributions to the Health Care Plan, including the surcharge were \$1,359, \$1,799 and \$2,474, respectively; 10.10% has been contributed for fiscal year 2014 and 100% for fiscal years 2013 and 2012. \$1,221 representing the unpaid surcharge due for fiscal year 2014 is recorded as a liability within the respective funds.

**XIII. Contingencies**

**1. Grants**

PTCE received financial assistance from Federal and State agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs 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

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such audits could become a liability of PTCE. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of PTCE at June 30, 2014.

**2. Enrollment FTE**

The Ohio Department of Education conducts reviews of enrollment 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. The conclusions of this review could result in state funding being adjusted. Adjustments to the state funding received during fiscal year 2014 are immaterial and are not reflected in the 2014 financial statements but will be included in the financial activity for fiscal year 2015.

**XIV. Sponsorship and Management Agreements**

PTCE entered into an agreement with the ESC of Lake Erie West, (ESCLEW) formerly Lucas County Educational Service Center, to provide sponsorship and oversight services as required by law. The current agreement continues until June 30, 2022. Sponsorship fees are calculated as 1.5% of the Fiscal Year 2014 Foundation payments received by PTCE, from the State of Ohio. The total amount due from PTCE for fiscal year 2014 was \$21,180 all of which was paid prior to June 30, 2014.

PTCE entered into an agreement with Constellation Schools to provide legal, financial, and business management services for fiscal year 2014. The agreement was for a period of one year, effective July 1, 2013. Management fees are calculated as 6.25% of the Fiscal Year 2014 Foundation payment received by PTCE from the State of Ohio plus a fixed fee of \$101,075. The total amount due from PTCE for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 was \$190,448 all of which was paid prior to June 30, 2014.

**XV. Subsequent Event**

In February of 2014 PTCE entered into a group leasing agreement to lease technology equipment. As of December 16, 2014 PTCE has drawn \$5,342 as a part of the lease (there were no draws prior to July 1, 2014). The lease is scheduled to close to purchases during the month of December after which it will convert to a 48 month lease with an approximate interest rate of 2.15%.

December 16, 2014

To the Board of Trustees  
Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary  
15204 Puritas Avenue  
Cleveland, OH 44135

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

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (the School), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 16, 2014.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

Our consideration of internal control 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 significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

### **Purpose of this Report**

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

*Rea & Associates, Inc.*

Medina, Ohio



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**CUYAHOGA 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**

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JANUARY 08, 2015**