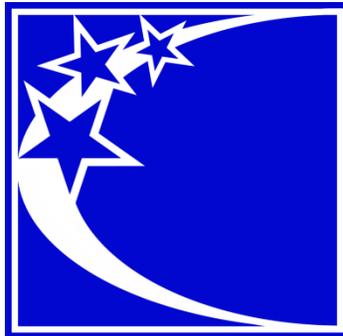


**CONSTELLATION SCHOOLS:  
OUTREACH ACADEMY FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO**

**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: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities  
3727 Bosworth Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44111

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Constellation Schools: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities, 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: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Dave Yost  
Auditor of State

December 31, 2014

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**CUYAHOGA COUNTY**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

December 15, 2014

To the Board of Trustees  
Constellation Schools: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities  
3727 Bosworth Road  
Cleveland, OH 44111

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Constellation Schools: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities, 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 15, 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: OUTREACH ACADEMY  
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Management's Discussion and Analysis  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2014

The discussion and analysis of Constellation Schools: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities' (OASD) 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 OASD 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 OASD.

**Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2014 include the following:

- In total, net position increased \$27,339, which represents a 9.9% increase from 2013. Revenue reductions have been offset by reductions in expenses to operate the school.
- Total assets increased \$52,500, which represents an 18.1% increase from 2013. This is from an increase in cash, an increase in accounts receivable and increases in due from other governments. Decreases occurred in capital assets.
- Liabilities increased \$25,161 which represents a 174.5% increase from 2013. The entire increase is in vendor payables and is the result of late billings from vendors.
- Operating revenues decreased by \$109,247, which represents an 8.9% decrease from 2013. This decrease is from a decrease in state Foundation and Poverty Based Assistance basic support due to enrollment decreases and was partially offset by increased Medicaid reimbursements, services provided to other schools and other income.
- Expenses decreased by \$175,117 which represents a 13.5% decrease from 2013. Decreases in salaries, fringe benefits, purchased services, materials, supplies, depreciation and other expenses occurred while increases occurred in capital outlay.
- Non-operating revenues decreased \$1,944, which represents a 6.2% decrease from 2013. This is due to a slight reduction in federal grants.

**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.

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**Statement of Net Position**

The Statement of Net Position looks at how well OASD 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 OASD.

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash	\$252,826	\$201,814	\$51,012	25.3%
Other Current Assets	23,546	2,861	20,685	723.0%
Non-Current Assets	25,000	25,000	0	0.0%
Capital Assets	41,414	60,611	(19,197)	-31.7%
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>342,786</u>	<u>290,286</u>	<u>52,500</u>	<u>18.1%</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Current Liabilities	39,581	14,420	25,161	174.5%
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>39,581</u>	<u>14,420</u>	<u>25,161</u>	<u>174.5%</u>
<b>Net Position</b>				
Investment in Capital Assets	41,414	60,611	(19,197)	-31.7%
Unrestricted	261,791	215,255	46,536	21.6%
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u>\$303,205</u>	<u>\$275,866</u>	<u>\$27,339</u>	<u>9.9%</u>

Net Position increased \$27,339. This increase is due to a combination of expenditure reductions to offset revenue reductions from a decline in enrollment for the year. For assets, cash increased \$51,012; due from other governments increased \$19,799; accounts receivable increased \$886, and net capital assets decreased \$19,197 from 2013. For liabilities, accounts payable increased \$25,161.

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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 OASD 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	\$1,017,834	\$1,160,800	(\$142,966)	-12.3%
Medicaid Reimbursements	56,695	30,167	26,528	87.9%
Other Operating Revenues	44,210	37,019	7,191	19.4%
Total Operating Revenues	<u>1,118,739</u>	<u>1,227,986</u>	<u>(109,247)</u>	<u>-8.9%</u>
Federal and State Grants	29,191	31,135	(1,944)	-6.2%
Total Non-Operating Revenues	<u>29,191</u>	<u>31,135</u>	<u>(1,944)</u>	<u>-6.2%</u>
Total Revenues	<u>1,147,930</u>	<u>1,259,121</u>	<u>(111,191)</u>	<u>-8.8%</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Salaries	627,927	688,343	(60,416)	-8.8%
Fringe Benefits	187,672	193,603	(5,931)	-3.1%
Purchased Services	264,515	368,890	(104,375)	-28.3%
Materials and Supplies	10,367	12,047	(1,680)	-13.9%
Capital Outlay	3,305	1,132	2,173	192.0%
Depreciation and Amortization	16,319	17,022	(703)	-4.1%
Other Expenses	10,486	14,671	(4,185)	-28.5%
Total Expenses	<u>1,120,591</u>	<u>1,295,708</u>	<u>(175,117)</u>	<u>-13.5%</u>
Changes in Net Position	<u>27,339</u>	<u>(36,587)</u>	<u>63,926</u>	<u>-174.7%</u>
Net Position: Beginning of the Year	<u>275,866</u>	<u>312,453</u>	<u>(36,587)</u>	<u>-11.7%</u>
Net Position: at End of Year	<u><u>\$303,205</u></u>	<u><u>\$275,866</u></u>	<u><u>\$27,339</u></u>	<u><u>9.9%</u></u>

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Net Position increased in fiscal year ended June 30, 2014 and decreased in fiscal year ended June 30, 2013. This is due to changes in enrollment and federal funding for both years plus efforts to improve in the area of operating expenditures. 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 decreased by \$111,191 from 2013 to 2014. The most significant changes in revenues are decreases of \$144,148 in Foundation funding, decreases of \$1,944 in federal grant funding provided to the school through the state of Ohio, increases of \$1,182 in Casino tax revenue and increases of \$26,528 in Medicaid reimbursements. The school also had an increases for services provided to other schools and other revenues.

Total expenses decreased by \$175,117 from 2013 to 2014 due mostly to reductions needed to manage reduced enrollment. Salaries and Fringe Benefits decreased \$66,347 due to staff reductions slightly offset by regular annual increases. Purchased services decreased \$104,375 due to decreases in student services, management fees and sponsor fees. Materials and Supplies decreased by \$1,680 due to reduced purchases of instructional supplies, testing materials, and instructional software. Capital Outlay increased \$2,173 due of purchases of equipment during the year. Depreciation decreased slightly by \$703. Other Operating Expenses decreased \$4,185 due to reductions in subscriptions, audit fees, insurances and miscellaneous expenses.

**Capital Assets**

As of June 30, 2014, OASD had \$41,414 invested in technology, software, furniture and equipment, net of depreciation. This is a \$19,197 decrease from June 30, 2013.

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

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>Capital Assets (net of depreciation)</b>				
Technology and Software	\$570	\$4,686	(\$4,116)	-87.8%
Furniture and Equipment	40,844	55,925	(15,081)	-27.0%
 Net Capital Assets	 <u>\$41,414</u>	 <u>\$60,611</u>	 <u>(\$19,197)</u>	 <u>-31.7%</u>

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

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**Current Financial Issues**

Constellation Schools: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities opened on May 24, 2006. The school has changed operations from an original enrollment of 48 students, seven teaching staff members and expenses of \$97,482 to a reduced enrollment of 37 students, fifteen teaching staff members and expenses of \$1,120,591 (please note that the first year of operations was for only one month of the school year). OASD is currently limited by contract to a maximum of 48 students, which will create challenges as revenues remain level and expenses increase with inflation in future years. Due to changes in group home funding, OASD has seen decreases in enrollment during the past two years that we anticipate will continue. OASD is looking at various strategies to manage this change.

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 OASD 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: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities  
Cuyahoga County, Ohio  
Statement of Net Position  
As of June 30, 2014**

**Assets:**

**Current Assets:**

Cash	\$252,826
Due from Other Governments	21,900
Accounts Receivable	1,646
<i>Total Current Assets</i>	<u>276,372</u>

**Non-Current Assets:**

Security Deposit	25,000
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	41,414
<i>Total Non-Current Assets</i>	<u>66,414</u>

<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>342,786</u>
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**Liabilities:**

**Current Liabilities:**

Accounts Payable	39,581
<i>Total Current Liabilities</i>	<u>39,581</u>

<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>39,581</u>
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**Net Position:**

Investment in capital assets	41,414
Unrestricted	261,791
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u>\$303,205</u>

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

**Constellation Schools: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities  
Cuyahoga County, Ohio  
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	\$1,017,834
Medicaid Reimbursements	56,695
Other Operating Revenues	<u>44,210</u>
<i>Total Operating Revenues</i>	<u>1,118,739</u>

**Operating Expenses:**

Salaries	627,927
Fringe Benefits	187,672
Purchased Services	264,515
Materials and Supplies	10,367
Capital Outlay	3,305
Depreciation	16,319
Other Operating Expenses	<u>10,486</u>
<i>Total Operating Expenses</i>	<u>1,120,591</u>

Operating Loss	<u>(1,852)</u>
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**Non-Operating Revenues:**

Federal and State Grants	<u>29,191</u>
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<i>Total Non-Operating Revenues</i>	<u>29,191</u>
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Change in Net Position	<u>27,339</u>
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Net Position at Beginning of the Year	<u>275,866</u>
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Net Position at End of Year	<u><u>\$303,205</u></u>
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The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Constellation Schools: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities  
Cuyahoga County, Ohio  
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	\$1,078,877
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(473,467)
Cash Payments to Employees for Services	(627,927)
Other Operating Revenues	<u>44,210</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>21,693</u>

**Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:**

Federal and State Grants Received	<u>29,319</u>
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	<u>29,319</u>

Net Increase in Cash	51,012
Cash at Beginning of Year	<u>201,814</u>
Cash at End of Year	<u><u>\$252,826</u></u>

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

**Constellation Schools: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities**  
**Cuyahoga County, Ohio**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014**  
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**Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:**

Operating Loss	(\$1,852)
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**Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:**

Depreciation	16,319
Loss on Disposal of Capital Asset	1,232
Capital Asset Returned for Refund	1,646

Changes in Assets and Liabilities:

(Increase) in Due From Other Governments	(19,963)
Decrease in Accounts Receivable	(886)
Increase in Accounts Payable	25,197

Total Adjustments	23,545
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Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$21,693
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The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**I. Description of the School and Reporting Entity**

Constellation Schools: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities (OASD) is a nonprofit corporation established on January 30, 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 29, 2008, OASD was issued a determination letter of 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 OASD. OASD, which is part of Ohio's education program, is independent of any school district. OASD may sue and be sued, acquire facilities as needed, and contract for any services necessary for the operation of OASD.

OASD was approved for operation as Ohio City Community School (OCCS) under a contract dated July 22, 2004 between the Governing Authority of OASD and the Lucas County Educational Service Center (LCESC) (the Sponsor). On July 22, 2005 OASD (as OCCS) entered into a contract with Buckeye Community Hope Foundation (BCHF) to have BCHF replace LCESC as their sponsor, which has been renewed through June 30, 2015. Under the terms of the contract BCHF will provide sponsorship services for a fee. See Note XI for further discussion of the sponsor services.

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

OASD 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 the OASD instructional facility staffed by fifteen certificated full time teaching personnel who provided services to 37 students. During 2014, the board members for OASD also serve as the board for Constellation Schools: Lorain Community Middle; Constellation Schools: Old Brooklyn Community Middle; Constellation Schools: Westpark Community Middle and Constellation Schools: Eastside Arts Academy.

**II. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

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

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**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. OASD 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 OASD 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 OASD must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which resources are provided to OASD on a reimbursement basis. Expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

**3. Change in Accounting Principles**

For 2014, OASD 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 liabilities. GASB Statement No. 65 also provides other financial reporting guidance related to the impact of the financial statement elements *deferred*

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*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 OASD.

**4. Cash**

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

**5. Budgetary Process**

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705.391 OASD 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. OASD will from time to time adopt budget revisions as necessary.

**6. Due From Other Governments**

Monies due OASD 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**

OASD currently participates in the State Foundation Program and the State Poverty Based Assistance Program. Revenues received from these programs are recognized as operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met. OASD also participates in Federal Entitlement Programs, Medicaid, 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 \$1,103,720.

**9. Private Grants and Contributions**

OASD receives 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. OASD 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, OASD 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. OASD 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.

**III. Deposits**

At fiscal year end June 30, 2014, the carrying amount of OASD's deposits totaled \$252,826 and its bank balance was \$276,882. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosure," as of June 30, 2014, \$26,882 of the bank balance was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$250,000 was covered by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

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Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, OASD 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 OASD.

**IV. Capital Assets**

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

	Balance 6/30/13	Additions	Deletions	Balance 6/30/14
Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Technology and Software	\$21,789	\$0	(\$1,646)	\$20,143
Furniture and Equipment	141,854	0	(3,361)	138,493
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	163,643	0	(5,007)	158,636
Less Accumulated Depreciation				
Technology and Software	(17,103)	(2,470)	0	(19,573)
Furniture and Equipment	(85,929)	(13,849)	2,129	(97,649)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(103,032)	(16,319)	2,129	(117,222)
Total Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	\$60,611	(\$16,319)	(\$2,878)	\$41,414

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**V. Purchased Services**

Purchased Services include the following:

Instruction	\$46,563
Pupil Support Services	121,948
Staff Development & Support	7,559
Administrative	85,573
Occupancy Costs	<u>2,872</u>
Total Purchased Services	<u><u>\$264,515</u></u>

**VI. Facilities**

OASD utilizes space provided by Hattie Larlham at no charge for instructional purposes as part of an overall agreement for services at their facility. Space was provided by Constellation Schools: Westside School of the Arts for administrative support of the school at a charge of \$2,400 for the year.

**VII. Risk Management**

**1. Property and Liability Insurance**

OASD 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, OASD 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.

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**2. Workers' Compensation**

OASD makes premium payments to the Ohio Worker's Compensation System for employee injury coverage. There have been twelve claims filed by OASD employees with the Ohio Worker's Compensation System between January 1, 2010 and June 30, 2014. The total payments made for these claims have been \$4,369. In the opinion of management, these claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of OASD as June 30, 2014.

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

OASD 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 OASD for the fiscal year is \$83,597.

**VIII. Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

**1. State Teachers Retirement System**

OASD 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

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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 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

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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 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%.

OASD's required contributions for pension obligations for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$40,108, \$84,674 and \$83,322, 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. State Employees Retirement System**

OASD 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.

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Plan members are required to contribute 10% of their annual covered salary and OASD 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 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. OASD's contributions to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$44,717, \$5,180 and \$4,962, respectively; 100% has been contributed for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012.

**IX. 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 OASD's contributions to post-employment health care were \$3,085, \$6,513 and \$6,333, respectively; 100% has been contributed for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012.

**2. State 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

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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 year 2014 the actuarially required allocation is .76%. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 OASD's contributions to Medicare Part B were \$2,427, \$660 and \$664, 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 OASD's contributions to the Health Care Plan, including the surcharge were \$1,107, \$452 and \$755, respectively; 40.39% has been contributed for fiscal year 2014 and 100% for fiscal years 2013 and 2012. \$392 representing the unpaid surcharge due for fiscal year 2014 is recorded as a liability within the respective funds.

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**X. Contingencies**

**1. Grants**

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

**XI. Sponsorship and Management Agreements**

OASD entered into an agreement with Buckeye Community Hope Foundation (BCHF) to provide sponsorship and oversight services as required by law. The agreement is effective through June 30, 2015. Sponsorship fees are calculated as 3% of the Fiscal Year 2014 Foundation payments received by OASD, from the State of Ohio. The total amount due from OASD for fiscal year 2014 was \$30,370, all of which was paid prior to June 30, 2014.

OASD 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 payments received by OASD from the State of Ohio plus a fixed fee of \$72,500. During the 2014 year CS issued credits totaling \$100,000 to OASD to reduce total management fees. After application of the credits, the total amount due from OASD for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 was \$35,985 all of which was paid prior to June 30, 2014.

December 15, 2014

To the Board of Trustees  
Constellation Schools: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities  
3727 Bosworth Road  
Cleveland, OH 44111

**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: Outreach Academy for Students with Disabilities, 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 15, 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.

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**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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#### 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  
JANUARY 8, 2015