

**A+ ARTS ACADEMY**  
**(A Component Unit of Reynoldsburg City School District)**  
**FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO**

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED  
JUNE 30, 2007

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# Mary Taylor, CPA

Auditor of State

Board of Directors  
A+ Arts Academy  
7244 E. Main Street  
Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the A+ Arts Academy, Franklin County, prepared by Julian and Grube, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. 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 A+ Arts Academy is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Mary Taylor, CPA  
Auditor of State

January 17, 2008

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### Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors  
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We have audited the accompanying financial statements of A+ Arts Academy, Franklin County, Ohio, a component unit of Reynoldsburg City School District, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. These financial statements are the responsibility of A+ Arts Academy's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *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 of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the A+ Arts Academy, as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and its cash flows for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 12, 2007, on our consideration of A+ Arts Academy'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 the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

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A+ Arts Academy  
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The management's discussion and analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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Julian & Grube, Inc.  
December 12, 2007

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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The management's discussion and analysis of the A+ Arts Academy (the "Academy") financial performance provides an overall review of the Academy's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Academy's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Academy's financial performance.

**Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2007 are as follows:

- In total, net assets were \$168,211 at June 30 2007.
- The Academy had operating revenues of \$976,446 and operating expenses of \$1,248,962 for fiscal year 2007. The Academy also received \$528,273 in federal and state grants during fiscal year 2007.

**Using these Basic Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the Academy's financial activities. The *Statement of Net Assets* and *Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets* provide information about the activities of the Academy, including all short-term and long-term financial resources and obligations.

**Reporting the Academy Financial Activities**

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

These documents look at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during 2007?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets answer this question. These statements include *all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

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

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



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The table below provides a comparison of the Academy's net assets for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>		
<b><u>Assets</u></b>		
Current assets	\$ 97,068	\$ 49,505
Non-current assets	<u>1,078,250</u>	<u>984,606</u>
Total assets	<u>1,175,318</u>	<u>1,034,111</u>
<b><u>Liabilities</u></b>		
Current liabilities	107,079	130,593
Long -term liabilities	<u>900,028</u>	<u>907,929</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,007,107</u>	<u>1,038,522</u>
<b><u>Net Assets</u></b>		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	170,955	39,606
Restricted	18,672	4,664
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(21,416)</u>	<u>(48,681)</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 168,211</u>	<u>\$ (4,411)</u>

Over time, net assets can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2007, the Academy's net assets totaled \$168,211.

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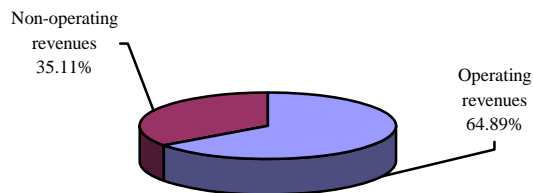
The table below provides a comparative analysis of the changes in net assets for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

**Change in Net Assets**

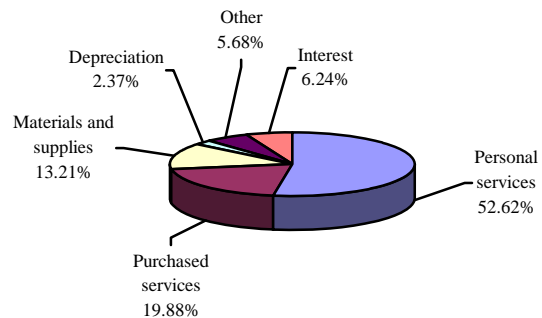
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
<b><u>Operating Revenues:</u></b>		
State foundation	\$ 937,628	\$ 837,967
Tuition and fees	-	1,750
Charges for services	32,456	20,773
Other	<u>6,362</u>	<u>7,901</u>
Total operating revenue	<u>976,446</u>	<u>868,391</u>
<b><u>Operating Expenses:</u></b>		
Personal services	700,941	604,407
Purchased services	264,786	169,213
Materials and supplies	175,907	118,743
Depreciation	31,623	4,777
Other	<u>75,705</u>	<u>75,116</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>1,248,962</u>	<u>972,256</u>
<b><u>Non-operating revenues/expenses:</u></b>		
Federal and state grants	528,273	129,199
Miscellaneous	-	5
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>(83,135)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total non-operating revenues/expenses	<u>445,138</u>	<u>129,204</u>
Change in net assets	172,622	25,339
Net assets/(deficit) at beginning of year	<u>(4,411)</u>	<u>(29,750)</u>
Net assets/(deficit) at end of year	<u>\$ 168,211</u>	<u>\$ (4,411)</u>

The charts below illustrate the revenues and expenses for the Academy during fiscal 2007 and 2006.

**2007 Revenues**



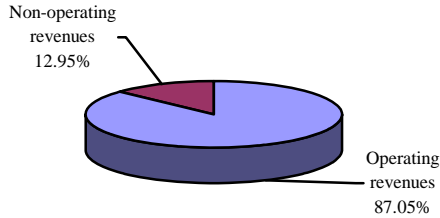
**2007 Expenses**



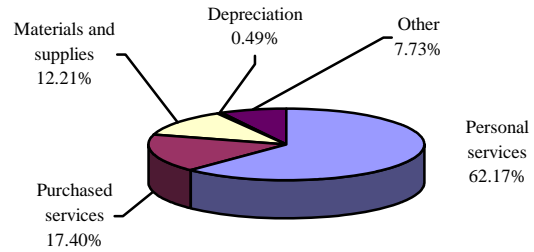
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**2006 Revenues**



**2006 Expenses**



**Current Financial Related Activities**

The Academy received the Federal start-up grant funds during fiscal year 2007, in the amount of \$300,000, which accounted for 56.79% of federal and state grant monies. Foundation and DPIA collections are the primary source of funding received by Academy representing 96.02% of total operating revenues. The majority of other state and federal aid in the non-operating revenues came from the Ohio Department of Education in the form of Title I and IDEA-B funds. These monies were used to finance educational opportunities to those students participating in the Academy's programs.

Payroll and fringe benefits totaled \$700,941 or 46.58% of total revenues and 56.12% of the operating expenses. Purchased services expense includes expenses incurred from fees for professional services, building services, training, consulting and advertising, primarily.

**Contacting the Academy's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our clients and creditors with a general overview of the Academy's finances and to show the Academy's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Mr. Mitch Biederman, Treasurer, A+ Arts Academy, 7244 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068.

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STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS  
JUNE 30, 2007

**Assets:**

*Current Assets:*

Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents. . . . .	\$	64,819
Receivables:		
Intergovernmental . . . . .		32,249
Total current assets . . . . .		97,068

*Non-Current Assets:*

Land . . . . .		147,642
Depreciable capital assets, net . . . . .		930,608
Total non-current assets. . . . .		1,078,250
Total assets . . . . .		1,175,318

**Liabilities:**

*Current Liabilities:*

Accounts payable. . . . .		13,645
Accrued wages and benefits . . . . .		56,127
Pension obligation payable . . . . .		19,311
Intergovernmental payable . . . . .		1,354
Current portion of mortgage loan payable . . . . .		7,267
Compensated absences . . . . .		9,375
Total current liabilities . . . . .		107,079

*Long-term liabilities:*

Mortgage loan payable . . . . .		900,028
Total long-term liabilities . . . . .		900,028
Total liabilities . . . . .		1,007,107

**Net Assets:**

Invested in capital assets, net		
of related debt. . . . .		170,955
Restricted for:		
Federally funded programs . . . . .		18,672
Unrestricted (deficit) . . . . .		(21,416)
Total net assets. . . . .	\$	168,211

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

<b>Operating revenues:</b>	
State foundation . . . . .	\$ 937,628
Charges for services. . . . .	32,456
Other. . . . .	6,362
Total revenue . . . . .	<u>976,446</u>
<b>Operating expenses:</b>	
Salaries and wages . . . . .	576,561
Fringe benefits . . . . .	124,380
Purchased services . . . . .	264,786
Materials and supplies . . . . .	175,907
Depreciation . . . . .	31,623
Other. . . . .	75,705
Total expenses . . . . .	<u>1,248,962</u>
Operating loss . . . . .	<u>(272,516)</u>
<b>Non-operating revenues/(expenses):</b>	
Federal and state grants . . . . .	528,273
Interest and fiscal charges . . . . .	(83,135)
Total non-operating revenues/(expenses) . . . . .	<u>445,138</u>
Change in net assets. . . . .	172,622
<b>Net assets/(deficit) at beginning of year . . . . .</b>	<u>(4,411)</u>
<b>Net assets at end of year . . . . .</b>	<u><u>\$ 168,211</u></u>

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
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<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
Cash received from foundation . . . . .	\$	937,628
Cash received from sales/charges for services . . . . .		32,456
Cash received from other operations. . . . .		6,362
Cash payments for salaries and wages . . . . .		(577,069)
Cash payments for fringe benefits . . . . .		(125,014)
Cash payments for purchased services. . . . .		(268,378)
Cash payments for materials and supplies . . . . .		(168,469)
Cash payments for other expenses . . . . .		(71,545)
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Net cash used in operating activities . . . . .		(234,029)
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<b>Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:</b>		
Federal and state grants. . . . .		505,741
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Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities . . . . .		505,741
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<b>Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:</b>		
Acquisition of capital assets. . . . .		(125,267)
Principal retirement. . . . .		(37,705)
Interest and fiscal charges. . . . .		(83,135)
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Net cash used in capital and related financing activities . . . . .		(246,107)
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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents . . . . .		25,605
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year . . .</b>		<b>39,214</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year. . . . .</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>64,819</b>
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<b>Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:</b>		
Operating loss. . . . .	\$	(272,516)
Adjustments:		
Depreciation. . . . .		31,623
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in materials and supplies inventory . . . . .		574
Increase in accounts payable. . . . .		7,432
Decrease in accrued wages and benefits . . . . .		(9,725)
Increase in compensated absences payable . . . . .		3,818
Decrease in intergovernmental payable . . . . .		(2,188)
Increase in pension obligation payable. . . . .		6,953
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Net cash used in operating activities. . . . .	\$	(234,029)
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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL**

The A+ Arts Academy, Franklin County, Ohio (the "Academy") is a nonprofit corporation established pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapters 3314 and 1702, to maintain and provide an Academy exclusively for any educational, literary, scientific and related teaching service, that qualifies as an exempt organization 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 A+ Arts Academy's tax exempt status. The A+ Arts Academy's objective is to deliver a unique opportunity for students who show a strong interest or talent in the visual arts which can be delivered to students in grades 6 - 8. It is to be operated in cooperation with the public schools to provide an appreciation of the visual arts through studies of its history, theory and design. The Academy, which is part of the state's education program, is nonsectarian in its programs, admissions policies, employment practices, and all other operations. The Academy may acquire facilities as needed and contract for any services necessary for the operation of the school.

The Academy was approved for operation under a contract with the Reynoldsburg City School District (the "Sponsor") for a period of five academic years commencing after July 1, 2004. The Sponsor is responsible for evaluating the performance of the Academy and has the authority to deny renewal of the contract at its expiration or terminate the contract prior to its expiration. The Academy is considered a component unit of the Reynoldsburg City School District for reporting purposes, in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, as amended by GASB Statement No. 39.

The Academy operates under the direction of a self-appointed five-member Board of Trustees. 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 qualifications of teachers. The Board controls the A+ Arts Academy's one instructional/support facility staffed by 6 non-certified staff members and 15 certificated full time teaching personnel who provide services to 150 students.

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

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

**A. Basis of Presentation**

The Academy uses enterprise accounting to report on its financial activities. Enterprise accounting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net assets, financial position and cash flows. Enterprise accounting may be used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods and services.



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

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

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

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 assets. Operating statements present increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets. Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made. The accrual basis of accounting is utilized for reporting purposes. Revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

**C. Budgetary Process**

Unlike other public schools located in the State of Ohio, community schools are not required to follow budgetary provisions set forth in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705, except House Bill 364, which took effect April 8, 2003, added Ohio Rev. Code Section 3314.03 (11) (d), which states that community schools must comply with Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.391. This requires each community school to submit to the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) a five year forecast no later than October 31 of each year.

**D. Cash**

All monies received by the Academy are deposited in a demand deposit account.

**E. Capital Assets and Depreciation**

All capital assets are capitalized at cost and updated for additions and reductions during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market value on the date donated. The Academy has maintained a capitalization threshold of \$1,000. The Academy does not have any infrastructure. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized, but are expensed when incurred.

All capital assets, except land, are depreciated. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. Computer equipment is depreciated over three years, copiers and furniture are depreciated over five years, other equipment items are depreciated over 10 years, and the building is depreciated over 50 years.

**F. Net Assets**

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

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

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

**G. Intergovernmental Revenue**

The Academy currently participates in the State Foundation Program through the Ohio Department of Education. Revenue from this program is recognized as operating revenue in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met. Foundation revenue received by the Academy during fiscal year 2007 was \$937,628.

Grants and entitlements are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met. Eligibility includes timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the Academy must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Academy on a reimbursement basis. Federal and state grants for the fiscal year 2007 received by the Academy was \$528,273.

**H. Estimates**

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

**I. Compensated Absences Policy**

Personal leave benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the Academy will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off. The Academy records a liability for accumulated unused personal leave time when earned by employees.

**NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS**

At fiscal year-end, the carrying amount of the Academy's deposits was \$64,819 and the bank balance was \$108,117. Of the bank balance \$100,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$8,117 was collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool. Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the Academy's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the School. The Academy holds no investments at June 30, 2007.

**NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES**

At June 30, 2007, receivables consisted of intergovernmental revenues which are considered collectible within one year and presented on the statement of net assets in the amount of \$32,249.

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**NOTE 5 - PURCHASED SERVICES**

For fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, purchased services expenses were as follows:

Professional services	\$ 99,261
Property services	66,678
Utilities	22,323
Training and meetings	32,577
Postage, advertising and shipping	<u>43,947</u>
Total	<u>\$ 264,786</u>

**NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, was as follows:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>06/30/06</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>06/30/07</u>
<b>Governmental Activities</b>				
<i>Capital assets, not being depreciated:</i>				
Land	\$ 147,642	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 147,642
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>147,642</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>147,642</u>
<i>Capital assets, being depreciated:</i>				
Building	822,637	-	-	822,637
Furniture and equipment	<u>19,104</u>	<u>125,267</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>144,371</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>841,741</u>	<u>125,267</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>967,008</u>
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation</i>				
Buildings and improvements	(1,371)	(14,807)	-	(16,178)
Furniture and equipment	<u>(3,406)</u>	<u>(16,816)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(20,222)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(4,777)</u>	<u>(31,623)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(36,400)</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 984,606</u>	<u>\$ 93,644</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,078,250</u>

**NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

The Academy's long-term obligations during fiscal year 2007 were as follows:

	<u>Balance at</u> <u>06/30/06</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Balance at</u> <u>06/30/07</u>	<u>Due Within</u> <u>One Year</u>
Loans payable	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ (30,000)	\$ -	\$ -
Mortgage loan payable	915,000	-	(7,705)	907,295	7,267
Compensated absences	<u>5,557</u>	<u>9,375</u>	<u>(5,557)</u>	<u>9,375</u>	<u>9,375</u>
Total long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 950,557</u>	<u>\$ 9,375</u>	<u>\$ (43,262)</u>	<u>\$ 916,670</u>	<u>\$ 16,642</u>

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**NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

*Loans payable:* Loans were obtained from the Superintendent during prior fiscal years in order to maintain operations. Principal payments of \$30,000 were made during fiscal year 2007, which retired the loans.

*Mortgage Loan payable:* On May 31, 2006 the Academy issued a mortgage loan in the amount of \$915,000 with an interest rate of 8.25% to be repaid over 30 years. The loan was issued to purchase a building which will be used as classrooms for the Academy. The building has been included in the Academy's capital assets in the statement of net assets. The debt service requirements for the mortgage loan are as follows:

<u>Year Ended</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2008	\$ 7,267	\$ 68,348	\$ 75,615
2009	8,578	73,911	82,489
2010	9,313	73,176	82,489
2011	10,111	72,378	82,489
2012	10,977	71,512	82,489
2013 - 2017	70,707	341,739	412,446
2018 - 2022	106,645	305,800	412,445
2023 - 2027	160,851	251,595	412,446
2028 - 2032	242,606	169,839	412,445
2033 - 2036	<u>280,240</u>	<u>49,716</u>	<u>329,956</u>
Total	<u>\$ 907,295</u>	<u>\$ 1,478,014</u>	<u>\$ 2,385,309</u>

**NOTE 8 - FISCAL AGENT - REYNOLDSBURG CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The sponsorship agreement states the Treasurer of Reynoldsburg City School District, the Sponsor shall serve as the Treasurer of the Academy. As part of this agreement, the Academy shall compensate the Sponsor three percent (3%) of the per pupil allocation (foundation) paid to the Academy by the State of Ohio.

The Treasurer of the Governing Authority shall perform the following functions while serving as the Treasurer of the Academy.

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

During the fiscal year the Academy accrued cost payable to the Sponsor and paid \$33,169.

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**NOTE 9 - PENSION PLANS**

**A. School Employees Retirement System**

The Academy contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS' website, [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org), under Forms and Publications.

Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Academy is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current Academy rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the A+ Arts Academy's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits; for fiscal year 2007, 10.68 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2006, 10.58 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2005, 10.57 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. 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 A+ Arts Academy's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005 was \$10,789, \$9,109, and \$4,709, respectively. 53% has been contributed for fiscal year 2007. 100% has been contributed for 2006 and 2005. \$5,026 represents the unpaid pension contribution for fiscal year 2007 and is recorded as a liability within the respective funds.

**B. State Teachers Retirement System**

The Academy 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 financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3371, or by calling (614) 227-4090, or by visiting the STRS Ohio website at [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org).

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**NOTE 9 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

New members have a choice of three retirement plans, a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on member contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds times an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The Combined Plan offers features of both the DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. DC and Combined Plan members will transfer to the Defined Benefit Plan during their fifth year of membership unless they permanently select the DC or Combined Plan. Existing members with less than five years of service credit as of June 30, 2001, were given the option of making a one time irrevocable decision to transfer their account balances from the existing DB Plan into the DC Plan or the Combined Plan. This option expired on December 31, 2001. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Academy was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2006 and 2005, the portion used to fund pension obligations was also 13 percent. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendation of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. The A+ Arts Academy's required contributions for pension obligations to the DB plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005, was \$61,887, \$53,917, and \$36,710, respectively. 84% has been contributed for fiscal year 2007 and 100% has been contributed for 2006. \$9,936 represents the unpaid contribution for fiscal year 2006 and is recorded as a liability within the respective funds. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2007 were \$47 made by the Academy and \$1,650 made by plan members.

**C. Social Security System**

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the SERS or the STRS Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the SERS/STRS Ohio. As of June 30, 2007, certain members of the Board of Directors have elected Social Security. The Academy's liability is 6.2% of wages paid.

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**NOTE 10 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

The Academy provides comprehensive health care benefits to retired teachers and their dependents through the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), and to retired non-certified employees and their dependents through the School Employees Retirement System (SERS). Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare premiums. Benefit provisions and the obligations to contribute are established by the Systems based on authority granted by State statute. Both systems are funded on a pay-as-you-go basis.

All STRS Ohio retirees who participated in the DB or combined plans and their dependents are eligible for health care coverage. The STRS Ohio Board has statutory authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. All benefit recipients pay a portion of health care cost in the form of a monthly premium. By law, the cost of coverage paid from STRS Ohio funds is included in the employer contribution rate, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, the STRS Ohio Board allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Reserve Fund. For the Academy, this amount equaled \$4,761 for fiscal year 2007.

STRS Ohio pays health care benefits from the Health Care Stabilization Fund. At June 30, 2006 (the latest information available), the balance in the Health Care Stabilization Fund was \$3.5 billion. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006 (the latest information available), net health care costs paid by STRS Ohio were \$282.743 million and STRS Ohio had 119,184 eligible benefit recipients.

For SERS, coverage is made available to service retirees with ten or more fiscal years of qualifying service credit, and to disability and survivor benefit recipients. All retirees and beneficiaries are required to pay a portion of their premium for health care. The portion is based on years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status.

After the allocation for basic benefits, the remainder of the employer's 14 percent contribution is allocated to providing health care benefits. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, employer contributions to fund health care benefits were 3.32 percent of covered payroll, a decrease of .10 percent from fiscal year 2006. In addition, SERS levies a surcharge to fund health care benefits equal to 14 percent of the difference between a minimum pay and the member's pay, pro-rated for partial service credit. For fiscal year 2007, the minimum pay was established at \$35,800. Total surcharge is capped at 2 percent of each employer's SERS salaries. For the 2007 fiscal year, Academy paid \$3,354 to fund health care benefits, including the surcharge.

The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14 percent employer contribution rate, provides for maintenance of the asset target level for the health care fund. The target level for the health care reserve is 150 percent of the projected claims less premium contributions for the next year. Expenses for health care for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006 (the latest information available) were \$158.751 million. At June 30, 2007 (the latest information available), SERS had net assets available for payment of health care benefits of \$295.6 million. At June 30, 2006 (the latest information available), SERS had 59,492 participants currently receiving health care benefits.

**NOTE 11 - OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

**A. Medical, Life, Dental and Vision Insurance Benefits**

The Academy provides medical benefits through Medical Mutual. The Academy offers individual and family health plans. The Board pays 75% of the premium amounts for single and family coverage.

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**NOTE 11 - OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS - (Continued)**

**B. Compensated Absences**

Employees accumulate personal leave at a rate of 5 days per year. Unused personal leave may accumulate.

**NOTE 12 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

**A. Property and Liability**

The Academy is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Academy maintains insurance coverage for rental/theft, general liability and contents liability.

The Academy has coverage for employee dishonesty, forgery and alternation coverage and computer equipment.

<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Insurer</u>	<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Deductible</u>
Education liability:			
Each occurrence	Mutual Insurance	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 0
Aggregate		3,000,000	0
Building and contents	Mutual Insurance	1,037,000	500
Personal Property	Mutual Insurance	153,450	500

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There has been no significant reduction in the amount of insurance coverage from fiscal 2006.

**B. Workers' Compensation**

The Academy pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium for employee injury coverage. The premium is calculated by multiplying the monthly gross total payroll by a factor that is calculated by the State.

**NOTE 13 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

**A. Sponsor**

As parts of the Academy's contractual agreement with the Sponsor, the Academy is required to pay the Sponsor three percent (3%) of the per pupil allocation paid to the Academy from the State of Ohio for various fiscal services and support. In fiscal year 2007, the Academy paid the governing authority \$33,169 during the year.

**B. Superintendent**

During a prior fiscal year, the Academy received loans from the Superintendent, Carolyn Berkely in the amount of \$40,000. The amount of \$10,000 was repaid during the prior fiscal year and \$30,000 during the current fiscal year. Loans are detailed in Note 7.



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**NOTE 14 - CONTINGENCIES**

**A. Grants**

The Academy received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability. However in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Academy at June 30, 2007.

**B. State Foundation Funding**

The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) conducts reviews of enrollment data and full-time equivalency (FTE) calculations made by the schools. These reviews are conducted to ensure the schools are reporting accurate student enrollment data to the State, upon which state foundation funding is calculated. The Academy was reviewed during the previous fiscal year and errors were found in enrollment. ODE determined an overpayment of \$4,908 had occurred during fiscal year 2006 and withheld that amount from the Academy's foundation settlement payments during fiscal year 2007. There is no liability outstanding at year-end for the overpayment.

**C. Litigation**

A lawsuit entitled *Beverly Blount-Hill, et al. v. State of Ohio, et al.*, Case #: 3:04CV197 was filed in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio, Western Division in October 2004. The suit alleges that the funding provisions of the Ohio Community Schools Act, O.R.C. Section 3314, violate both the Ohio and Federal constitutions. If the funding scheme is determined to be unconstitutional, it could have financial ramifications for all community/charter schools. The case is currently pending, and the effect of this suit, if any, on the Academy cannot presently be determined.

**NOTE 15 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

On November 20, 2007 Mitch Biederman became the Treasurer for the Academy.



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### **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***

Board of Directors  
A+ Arts Academy  
7244 East Main Street  
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068-3585

We have audited the financial statements of A+ Arts Academy, Franklin County, Ohio, (a component unit of Reynoldsburg City School District) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 and have issued our report thereon dated December 12, 2007. 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.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered A+ Arts Academy's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of A+ Arts Academy's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of A+ Arts Academy's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects A+ Arts Academy's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of A+ Arts Academy's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by A+ Arts Academy's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by A+ Arts Academy's internal control.

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

Board of Directors  
A+ Arts Academy

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether A+ Arts Academy'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 one instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as 2007-A+AA-001.

We noted certain other matters that we reported to the management of A+ Arts Academy in a separate letter dated December 12, 2007.

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

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management and Board of Directors of A+ Arts Academy and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Julian & Grube, Inc.  
December 12, 2007

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**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES**

<b>FINDINGS RELATED TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS</b>	
Finding Number	2007-A+AA-001

Ohio Revised Code Section 3314.08(J)(1)(b) states that a school may borrow money for a term not to exceed fifteen years to acquire facilities.

The Academy entered into an agreement in a prior fiscal year to acquire facilities for a term of thirty years.

The Academy is borrowing money in excess of the fifteen year limit in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3314.08(J)(1)(b).

We recommend that Academy officials take steps to monitor debt and determine there is no debt contradicting Ohio Revised Code Section 3314.08(J)(1)(b) at fiscal year end. Also, all debt agreements should have supporting documentation and be approved by the Board.

Client Response: The Academy will attempt to refinance and comply with this Ohio Revised Code Section.



**Mary Taylor, CPA**  
Auditor of State

**A+ ARTS ACADEMY**

**FRANKLIN COUNTY**

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
JANUARY 31, 2008**