# Columbiana County Career and Technical Center Audited Financial Statements

June 30, 2007



# Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Board of Education Columbiana County Career and Technical Center 9364 State Route 45 Lisbon, Ohio 44432

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Columbiana County Career and Technical Center, Columbiana County, prepared by Rea & Associates, 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 Columbiana County Career and Technical Center is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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March 31, 2008



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February 29, 2008

To the Board of Education Columbiana County Career and Technical Center Lisbon, OH 44432

### **Independent Auditor's Report**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Columbiana County Career and Technical Center (the "Career Center"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the Career center's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Career Center's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *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 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 opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Career Center, as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and the cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund and the Adult Education Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 29, 2008 on our consideration of the Career Center's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. 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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The Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 3 through 12 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.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Career Center's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

The discussion and analysis of the Columbiana County Career and Technical Center's (the "Career Center") financial performance provides an overall review of the Career Center's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Career Center's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Career Center's financial performance.

#### **Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2007 are as follows:

- In total, net assets of governmental activities increased \$667,087 which represents a 6.82% increase from 2006.
- General revenues accounted for \$5,498,641 in revenue or 70.32% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales, grants and contributions accounted for \$2,321,306 or 29.68% of total revenues of \$7,819,947.
- The Career Center had \$7,152,860 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$2,321,306 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues supporting governmental activities (primarily taxes and unrestricted grants and entitlements) of \$5,498,641 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- The Career Center's major governmental funds are the general fund, adult education fund and permanent improvement fund. The general fund had \$5,914,490 in revenues and \$5,443,324 in expenditures and other financing uses. During fiscal year 2007, the general fund's fund balance increased \$471,166 from \$1,591,002 to \$2,062,168.
- The adult education fund had \$818,892 in revenues and \$687,534 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2007, the adult education fund's fund balance increased \$131,358 from \$99,768 to \$231,126.
- The permanent improvement fund had \$156,032 in revenues and \$373,326 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2007, the permanent improvement fund's fund balance decreased \$217,294 from \$805,731 to \$588,437.

#### **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 Career Center as a financial whole, an entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

The *statement of net assets* and *statement of activities* provide information about the activities of the whole Career Center, presenting both an aggregate view of the Career Center's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the Career Center's most significant funds with all other nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the Career Center, the general fund, adult education fund and permanent improvement fund are by far the most significant funds, and the only governmental funds reported as major funds.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### Reporting the Career Center as a Whole

### Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the Career Center to provide programs and activities, the view of the Career Center as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during 2007?" The statement of net assets and the statement of activities 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 Career Center's *net assets* and changes in those assets. This change in net assets is important because it tells the reader that, for the Career Center as a whole, the *financial position* of the Career Center has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the Career Center's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, the Governmental Activities include the Career Center's programs and services, including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, extracurricular activities, and food service operations.

The Career Center's statement of net assets and statement of activities can be found on pages 13-14 of this report.

### Reporting the Career Center's Most Significant Funds

#### Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the Career Center's major governmental funds begins on page 9. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the Career Center's major funds. The Career Center uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the Career Center's most significant funds. The Career Center's major governmental funds are the general fund, adult education fund and permanent improvement fund.

### Governmental Funds

Most of the Career Center's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual* accounting which measures cash and all other *financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed *short-term* view of the Career Center's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental *activities* (reported in the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) and governmental *funds* is reconciled in the basic financial statements. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 15-20 of this report.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **Proprietary Funds**

The Career Center maintains a proprietary fund. Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the Career Center's various functions. The Career Center's internal service fund accounts for medical/surgical and dental self-insurance benefits. The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 21-23 of this report.

### Reporting the Career Center's Fiduciary Responsibilities

The Career Center acts in a trustee capacity as an agent for individuals or other entities. These activities are reported in agency funds. All of the Career Center's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate statement of fiduciary net assets on page 24. These activities are excluded from the Career Center's other financial statements because the assets cannot be utilized by the Career Center to finance its operations.

#### Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. These notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 25-49 of this report.

#### The Career Center as a Whole

Recall that the statement of net assets provides the perspective of the Career Center as a whole.

The table below provides a summary of the Career Center's net assets for 2007 and 2006.

#### **Net Assets**

	Governmental Activities 2007	Governmental Activities 2006
<u>Assets</u>		
Current and other assets	\$ 6,012,517	\$ 5,498,467
Capital assets, net	7,162,348	7,072,322
Total assets	13,174,865	12,570,789
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Current liabilities	2,352,948	2,442,043
Long-term liabilities	369,949	343,865
Total liabilities	2,722,897	2,785,908
Net Assets		
Invested in capital assets	7,162,348	7,072,322
Restricted	661,708	838,216
Unrestricted	2,627,912	1,874,343
Total net assets	\$ 10,451,968	\$ 9,784,881

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

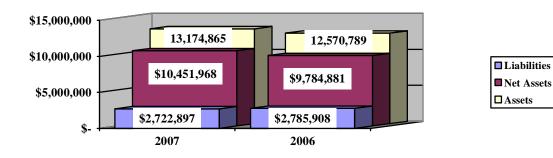
Over time, net assets can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2007, the Career Center's assets exceeded liabilities by \$10,451,968. Of this total, \$2,627,912 is unrestricted in use.

At year-end, capital assets represented 54.36% of total assets. Capital assets include land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. The Career Center had \$7,162,348 invested in capital assets at June 30, 2007. These capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending.

A portion of the Career Center's net assets, \$661,708, represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets of \$2,627,912 may be used to meet the Career Center's ongoing obligations to the students and creditors.

The graph below illustrates the governmental activities assets, liabilities and net assets at June 30, 2007 and 2006:

#### **Governmental Activities**



The table below shows the change in net assets for fiscal year 2007 and 2006.

#### **Change in Net Assets**

	Governmental Activities 2007	Governmental Activities 2006	
Revenues			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services and sales	\$ 1,098,603	\$ 1,113,204	
Operating grants and contributions	1,222,703	1,073,257	
Capital grants and contributions	-	3,670	
General revenues:			
Property taxes	1,880,100	1,964,392	
Grants and entitlements	3,451,246	3,641,528	
Investment earnings	166,773	110,041	
Other	522		
Total revenues	7,819,947	7,906,092	

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

### **Change in Net Assets**

	Governmental Activities	Governmental Activities		
Expenses				
Program expenses:				
Instruction:	¢ 501.026	¢ ((2.20)		
Regular	\$ 581,936	\$ 662,206		
Special	244,919	220,788		
Vocational	2,877,725	3,484,491		
Adult/continuing	86,506	89,174		
Support services:				
Pupil	573,256	543,636		
Instructional staff	508,387	484,971		
Board of education	26,005	22,138		
Administration	888,136	761,213		
Fiscal	285,747	197,414		
Operations and maintenance	740,378	761,094		
Pupil transportation	2,993	2,993		
Central	68,430	55,142		
Operations of non-instructional services:	,	,		
Food service operations	255,349	263,341		
Extracurricular activities	13,093	8,378		
Total expenses	7,152,860	7,556,979		
Change in net assets	667,087	349,113		
Net assets at beginning of year	9,784,881	9,435,768		
Net assets at end of year	\$ 10,451,968	\$ 9,784,881		

#### **Governmental Activities**

Net assets of the Career Center's governmental activities increased \$667,087. Total governmental expenses of \$7,152,860 were offset by program revenues of \$2,321,306 and general revenues of \$5,498,641. Program revenues supported 32.45% of the total governmental expenses.

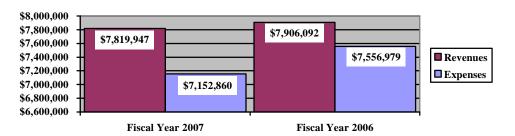
The primary sources of revenue for governmental activities are derived from property taxes, and grants and entitlements. These revenue sources represent 68.18% of total governmental revenue.

The largest expense of the Career Center is for instructional programs. Instruction expenses totaled \$3,791,086 or 53.00% of total governmental expenses for fiscal 2007.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

The graph below presents the Career Center's governmental activities revenue and expenses for fiscal year 2007 and 2006.

#### **Governmental Activities - Revenues and Expenses**



The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. The following table shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted State grants and entitlements.

#### **Governmental Activities**

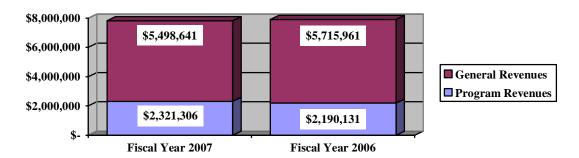
	Total Cost of Services	of Net Cost of Services	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services	
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2006</u>	
Program expenses					
Instruction:					
Regular	\$ 581,93	\$ 581,936	\$ 662,206	\$ 238,723	
Special	244,91	19 (1,387)	220,788	220,788	
Vocational	2,877,72	25 1,824,273	3,484,491	2,517,205	
Adult/continuing	86,50	2,058	89,174	(5,670)	
Support services:					
Pupil	573,25	60,911	543,636	68,260	
Instructional staff	508,38	37 416,506	484,971	469,416	
Board of education	26,00	26,005	22,138	22,138	
Administration	888,13	769,344	761,213	744,021	
Fiscal	285,74	17 257,162	197,414	197,265	
Operations and maintenance	740,37	78 735,494	761,094	753,596	
Pupil transportation	2,99	2,993	2,993	2,993	
Central	68,43	60,430	55,142	47,142	
Operations of non-instructional services:					
Food service operations	255,34	19 83,709	263,341	82,593	
Extracurricular activities	13,09	93 12,120	8,378	8,378	
Total expenses	\$ 7,152,86	\$ 4,831,554	\$ 7,556,979	\$ 5,366,848	

The dependence upon tax and other general revenues for governmental activities is apparent, 63.49% of instruction activities are supported through taxes and other general revenues. For all governmental activities, general revenue support is 67.55%. The Career Center's taxpayers, as a whole, are by far the primary support for Career Center's students.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

The graph below presents the Career Center's governmental activities revenue for fiscal year 2007 and 2006.

#### **Governmental Activities - General and Program Revenues**



### The Career Center's Funds

The Career Center's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$3,004,404, which is higher than last year's total of \$2,578,814. The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balance as of June 30, 2007 and 2006.

	Fund Balance June 30, 2007	Fund Balance June 30, 2006	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percentage Change
General	\$ 2,062,168	\$ 1,591,002	\$ 471,166	29.61 %
Adult Education	231,126	99,768	131,358	131.66 %
Permanent Improvement	588,437	805,731	(217,294)	(26.97) %
Other Governmental	122,673	82,313	40,360	49.03 %
Total	\$ 3,004,404	\$ 2,578,814	\$ 425,590	16.50 %

#### General Fund

The Career Center's general fund balance increased \$471,166. The increase in fund balance can be attributed to several items related to decreasing revenues and decreasing expenditures.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

The table that follows assists in illustrating the financial activities and fund balance of the general fund.

		2007 Amount	A	2006 Amount		Increase/ Decrease)	Percentage Change
Revenues	_						
Taxes	\$	1,816,421	\$ 1	1,964,004	\$	(147,583)	(7.51) %
Tuition		352,171		341,284		10,887	3.19 %
Intergovernmental		3,658,740	3	3,641,528		17,212	0.47 %
Classroom Materials and fees		53,772		67,941		(14,169)	(20.85) %
Other revenues	_	33,386		72,612		(39,226)	(54.02) %
Total	\$	5,914,490	\$ 6	5,087,369	<u>\$</u>	(172,879)	(2.84) %
<b>Expenditures</b>							
Instruction	\$	2,975,229	\$ 3	3,426,005	\$	(450,776)	(13.16) %
Support services		2,363,530	2	2,192,402		171,128	7.81 %
Extracurricular activities		12,163		8,378		3,785	45.18 %
Facilities acquisition and construction		13,452		4,500		8,952	198.93 %
Total	\$	5,364,374	\$ 5	5,631,285	\$	(266,911)	(4.74) %

Overall revenues of the general fund decreased \$172,879 or 2.84%. Tax revenue decreased \$147,583. This decrease can be attributed to a decrease in advances available from the County at June 30, 2007.

Overall expenditures of the general fund decreased \$266,911 or 4.74%. This decrease is due mainly to a decrease in instructional expenditures. Instructional expenditures decreased \$450,776 or 13.16% as a result of instructional staff reductions in response to declining student enrollment.

### Adult Education Fund

The adult education fund had \$818,892 in revenues and \$687,534 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2007, the adult education fund's fund balance increased \$131,358 from \$99,768 to \$231,126.

#### Permanent Improvement Fund

The permanent improvement fund had \$156,032 in revenues and \$373,326 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2007, the permanent improvement fund's fund balance decreased \$217,294 from \$805,731 to \$588,437.

### General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The Career Center's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the general fund.

During the course of fiscal 2007, the Career Center amended its general fund budget several times. For the general fund, original budgeted revenues and other financing sources were \$5,832,200 and final budgeted revenues and other financing sources were \$6,017,256. Actual revenues and other financing sources for fiscal 2007 was \$6,100,224. This represents an \$82,968 increase from final budgeted revenues.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

General fund original appropriations (appropriated expenditures including other financing uses) of \$6,099,259 were increased to \$6,305,010 in the final appropriated budget. The actual budget basis expenditures and other financing uses for fiscal year 2007 totaled \$5,722,767, which was \$582,243 less than the final budget appropriations.

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

#### Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal 2007, the Career Center had \$7,162,348 invested in land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. This entire amount is reported in governmental activities. The following table shows fiscal 2007 balances compared to 2006:

### Capital Assets at June 30 (Net of Depreciation)

	Governmental Activities					
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>				
Land	\$ 152,290	\$ 152,290				
Land improvements	45,114	41,645				
Building and improvements	6,437,651	6,135,608				
Furniture and equipment	525,797	579,076				
Vehicles	1,496	4,489				
Construction in progress	<del>-</del>	159,214				
Total	\$ 7,162,348	\$ 7,072,322				

The overall increase in capital assets of \$90,026 is due to capital outlays of \$434,580 exceeding depreciation expense of \$344,554 in the fiscal year.

See Note 8 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the Career Center's capital assets.

#### **Debt Administration**

At June 30, 2007, the Career Center had no debt outstanding.

See Note 9 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the Career Center's long-term obligations.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **Current Financial Related Activities**

The Career Center's financial affairs are carefully managed to provide the best possible educational services with the financial resources available. As the financial statements report, the Career Center relies heavily upon grants, entitlements, and local property taxes. These financial resources are used to provide an education commensurate with State requirements and always striving to go beyond the minimum standards.

The uncertain future of growth in State funding presents an ongoing challenge for long-range financial planning. The Career Center has been on the guarantee since 2000 and has received over \$3.32 million in guarantee funding. There has been no increase in State aid for the past eight years. The 2000 guarantee has been replaced with transitional aid for the 2006 fiscal year and will provide the same level of state funding for 2008 and 2009. It is uncertain how this transitional aid will be phased out and to what extent the Career Center will be affected by its elimination.

These financial statements represent the continued effort to keep our residents informed of the prudent use of their tax dollars. The Career Center will continue to meet the financial challenges of providing a sound vocational program in an ever-changing economic environment while maintaining financial integrity.

#### **Contacting the Career Center's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Career Center's finances and to show the Career Center's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Ms. Kathy Bosco, Interim Treasurer, Columbiana County Career and Technical Center, 9364 State Route 45, Lisbon, Ohio 44432.

### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2007

	Governmental Activities			
Assets:				
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,466,076		
Cash with fiscal agent		277,290		
Receivables:				
Taxes		2,152,603		
Accounts		744		
Intergovernmental		98,845		
Accrued interest		11,221		
Prepayments		612		
Materials and supplies inventory		5,126		
Capital assets:				
Land		152,290		
Depreciable capital assets, net		7,010,058		
Total capital assets, net		7,162,348		
Total assets		13,174,865		
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable		15,387		
Accrued wages and benefits		394,613		
Pension obligation payable		58,167		
Intergovernmental payable		30,988		
Unearned revenue		1,802,105		
Claims payable		51,688		
Long-term liabilities:				
Due within one year		109,395		
Due within more than one year		260,554		
Total liabilities		2,722,897		
Net Assets:				
Invested in capital assets		7,162,348		
Restricted for:				
Capital projects		592,738		
Locally fund projects		578		
State funded projects		12,383		
Federally funded projects		56,009		
Unrestricted		2,627,912		
Total net assets	\$	10,451,968		

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Net (Expense)

				Program	Revenu	ies	(	Revenue and Changes in Net Assets
	]	Expenses	Charges for Operating Services Grants and and Sales Contributions			Governmental Activities		
Governmental activities:								
Instruction:								
Regular	\$	581,936	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(581,936)
Special		244,919		-		246,306		1,387
Vocational		2,877,725		855,513		197,939		(1,824,273)
Adult/continuing		86,506		-		84,448		(2,058)
Support services:								
Pupil		573,256		7,557		504,788		(60,911)
Instructional staff		508,387		59,865		32,016		(416,506)
Board of education		26,005		-		-		(26,005)
Administration		888,136		83,868		34,924		(769,344)
Fiscal		285,747		20,181		8,404		(257,162)
Operations and maintenance		740,378		1,370		3,514		(735,494)
Pupil transportation		2,993		-		-		(2,993)
Central		68,430		-		8,000		(60,430)
Food service operations		255,349		69,276		102,364		(83,709)
Extracurricular activities		13,093		973				(12,120)
Total governmental activities	\$	7,152,860	\$	1,098,603	\$	1,222,703		(4,831,554)
			Prope: Gene	ral Revenues: rty taxes levied to eral purposes s and entitlemen				1,880,100
			to sp	ecific programs.				3,451,246
				ment earnings .				166,773
			Misce	ellaneous				522
			Total	general revenues	S			5,498,641
			Chang	ge in net assets.				667,087
			Net as	ssets at beginni	ng of ye	ar		9,784,881
			Net as	ssets at end of y	ear		\$	10,451,968

### BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2007

	Adult General Education		Permanent Improvement		Other Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds		
Assets:			 						
Equity in pooled cash									
and cash equivalents	\$	2,418,447	\$ 240,895	\$	581,517	\$	83,290	\$	3,324,149
Taxes		2,152,603	-		-		-		2,152,603
Accounts		744	-		-		-		744
Intergovernmental		-	2,925		-		95,920		98,845
Accrued interest		-	-		11,221		-		11,221
Interfund receivable		40,784	-		-		-		40,784
Prepayments		612	-		-		-		612
Materials and supplies inventory		_	 -		_		5,126		5,126
Total assets	\$	4,613,190	\$ 243,820	\$	592,738	\$	184,336	\$	5,634,084
Liabilities:									
Accounts payable	\$	11,641	\$ 1,140	\$	-	\$	2,606	\$	15,387
Accrued wages and benefits		380,628	4,426		-		9,559		394,613
Compensated absences payable		26,728	-		-		4,004		30,732
Pension obligation payable		52,869	3,142		-		2,156		58,167
Intergovernmental payable		24,448	3,986		-		2,554		30,988
Interfund payable		-	-		-		40,784		40,784
Deferred revenue		252,603	-		4,301		_		256,904
Unearned revenue		1,802,105	-		-		-		1,802,105
Total liabilities		2,551,022	12,694		4,301		61,663		2,629,680
Fund Balances:									
Reserved for encumbrances		66,519	-		-		14,199		80,718
supplies inventory		-	-		-		5,126		5,126
Reserved for prepayments		612	-		-		-		612
for appropriation		97,895	-		-		-		97,895
General fund		1,897,142	_		_		_		1,897,142
Special revenue funds		·	231,126		_		103,348		334,474
Capital projects funds		_	-		588,437		-		588,437
Total fund balances		2,062,168	231,126		588,437		122,673		3,004,404
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	4,613,190	\$ 243,820	\$	592,738	\$	184,336	\$	5,634,084

# RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2007

Total governmental fund balances		\$ 3,004,404
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		7,162,348
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current- period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. Delinquent taxes Accrued interest	\$ 252,603 4,301	
Total		256,904
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of insurance to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in governmental activities on		0.67.500
the statement of net assets.  Long-term liabilities, such as compensated absences		367,529
are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		 (339,217)
Net assets of governmental activities		\$ 10,451,968

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	General		Adult Permanent Education Improvement		Total Governmental Funds	
Revenues:						
From local sources:						
Taxes	1,816,421	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,816,421	
Tuition	352,171	578,144	-	-	930,315	
Charges for services	-	-	-	69,276	69,276	
Earnings on investments	-	-	156,032	072	156,032	
Extracurricular	- 52.770	-	-	973	973	
Classroom materials and fees	53,772	4 957	-	11,403	65,175	
Other local revenues	33,386	4,857	-	18,345	56,588	
Intergovernmental - State	3,658,740	235,891	-	87,013	3,981,644	
Intergovernmental - Federal	<u>-</u>	919 902	156,022	669,103	669,103	
Total revenues	5,914,490	818,892	156,032	856,113	7,745,527	
Expenditures:						
Current:						
Instruction:						
Regular	568,948	-	-	-	568,948	
Special	219,818	-	-	30,678	250,496	
Vocational	2,186,463	483,618	-	39,999	2,710,080	
Adult/continuing education	-	-	-	86,506	86,506	
Support services:	100.001					
Pupil	100,321	8,987	-	466,467	575,775	
Instructional staff	454,991	71,192	-	7,090	533,273	
Board of education	26,005	-	-	-	26,005	
Administration	781,159	99,737	-	-	880,896	
Fiscal	257,786	24,000	-	2 (00	281,786	
Operations and maintenance	733,263	-	-	3,600	736,863	
Central	10,005	-	-	47,751	57,756	
Food service operations	10.162	-	-	211,682	211,682	
Extracurricular activities	12,163	-	272 226	930	13,093	
Facilities acquisition and construction	13,452		373,326	904.702	386,778	
Total expenditures	5,364,374	687,534	373,326	894,703	7,319,937	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)						
expenditures	550,116	131,358	(217,294)	(38,590)	425,590	
Other financing sources (uses):						
Transfers in	_	_	-	78,950	78,950	
Transfers (out)	(78,950)	_	_		(78,950)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	(78,950)			78,950	- (1.0,200)	
Net change in fund balances	471,166	131,358	(217,294)	40,360	425,590	
Fund balances at beginning of year	1,591,002	99,768	805,731	82,313	2,578,814	
Fund balances at end of year \$	2,062,168	\$ 231,126	\$ 588,437	\$ 122,673	\$ 3,004,404	

# RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds			\$ 425,590
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:			
Government funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation expense in the current period.			
Capital asset additions	\$	434,580	
Current year depreciation		(344,554)	
Total			90,026
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.			
Delinquent taxes		63,679	
Accrued interest		(231)	
Total			63,448
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	•		(10,036)
Internal service fund for self- insurance is not reported in the expenditures and related internal service fund revenues are eliminated. The net revenue (expense) of the internal service funds are allocated among the governmental			
activities.			 98,059
Change in net assets of governmental activities			\$ 667,087

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) GENERAL FUND

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	<b>Budgeted Amounts</b>					Variance with Final Budget Positive	
	(	Original		Final	Actual		egative)
Revenues:			-		 		
From local sources:							
Taxes	\$	1,792,620	\$	1,850,400	\$ 1,880,055	\$	29,655
Tuition		332,289		343,000	347,465		4,465
Classroom materials and fees		50,415		52,040	53,772		1,732
Other local revenues		31,867		32,894	32,921		27
Intergovernmental - State		3,534,087		3,648,000	 3,658,740		10,740
Total revenues		5,741,278		5,926,334	 5,972,953		46,619
<b>Expenditures:</b>							
Current:							
Instruction:							
Regular		580,023		600,412	576,357		24,055
Special		213,078		220,568	217,600		2,968
Vocational		2,475,631		2,562,652	2,260,516		302,136
Support services:							
Pupil		167,619		173,511	103,525		69,986
Instructional staff		453,995		469,954	455,637		14,317
Board of education		45,518		47,118	26,020		21,098
Administration		808,131		836,538	794,370		42,168
Fiscal		261,292		270,477	259,774		10,703
Operations and maintenance		812,842		841,415	747,840		93,575
Central		9,660		10,000	10,005		(5)
Extracurricular activities		12,428		12,865	12,165		700
Facilities acquisition and construction		13,042		13,500	 13,452		48
Total expenditures		5,853,259		6,059,010	 5,477,261		581,749
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)							
expenditures		(111,981)		(132,676)	 495,692		628,368
Other financing sources (uses):							
Refund of prior year expenditure		89,722		89,722	1,499		(88,223)
Transfers (out)		(79,000)		(79,000)	(78,950)		50
Advances in		1,200		1,200	125,772		124,572
Advances (out)		(167,000)		(167,000)	(166,556)		444
Total other financing sources (uses)		(155,078)		(155,078)	 (118,235)		36,843
Net change in fund balance		(267,059)		(287,754)	377,457		665,211
Fund balance at beginning of year		1,874,146		1,874,146	1,874,146		-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated		89,165		89,165	 89,165		-
Fund balance at end of year	\$	1,696,252	\$	1,675,557	\$ 2,340,768	\$	665,211

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) ADULT EDUCATION FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	<b>Budgeted Amounts</b>						Variance with	
	O	riginal		Final	Actual			al Budget Positive
Revenues:			,					
From local sources:								
Tuition	\$	535,105	\$	536,350	\$	593,724	\$	57,374
Other local revenues		4,689		4,700		4,857		157
Intergovernmental - State		233,806		234,350		234,361		11
Total revenues		773,600		775,400		832,942		57,542
Expenditures:								
Current:								
Instruction:								
Vocational		565,077		565,077		489,958		75,119
Support services:								
Pupil		9,966		9,966		8,641		1,325
Instructional staff		81,748		81,748		70,881		10,867
Administration		112,854		112,854		97,852		15,002
Fiscal		27,745		27,745		24,057		3,688
Total expenditures		797,390		797,390		691,389		106,001
Net change in fund balance		(23,790)		(21,990)		141,553		163,543
Fund balance at beginning of year		85,896		85,896		85,896		-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated		10,954		10,954		10,954		-
Fund balance at end of year	\$	73,060	\$	74,860	\$	238,403	\$	163,543

### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUND JUNE 30, 2007

	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Fund
Assets:	
Current assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 141,927
Cash with fiscal agent	277,290
Total assets	419,217
Liabilities:	
Current liabilities:	
Claims payable	51,688
Total liabilities	51,688
Net Assets:	
Unrestricted	367,529
Total net assets	\$ 367,529

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

	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Fund	
Operating revenues:		
Sales/charges for services	\$	944,220
Total operating revenues		944,220
Operating expenses:		
Purchased services		133,895
Claims		723,238
Total operating expenses		857,133
Operating income		87,087
Nonoperating revenues: Interest revenue		10,972
Total nonoperating revenues		10,972
Change in net assets		98,059
Net assets at beginning of year		269,470
Net assets at end of year	\$	367,529

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Fund
Cash flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from sales/charges for services	\$ 944,220
Cash payments for purchased services	(133,895)
Cash payments for claims	(716,941)
Net cash provided by	
operating activities	93,384
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Interest received	10,972
include received.	
Net cash provided by investing activities	10,972
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	104,356
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	314,861
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 419,217
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 419,217
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Operating income	\$ 87,087
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Increase in claims payable	6,297
N	
Net cash provided by	d 62.204
operating activities	\$ 93,384

# STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES FIDUCIARY FUND JUNE 30, 2007

	A	agency
Assets:		
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$	8,791
Total assets	\$	8,791
Liabilities:		
Due to students	\$	8,791
Total liabilities	\$	8,791

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

### NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE CAREER CENTER

The Columbiana County Career and Technical Center (the "Career Center") is organized under section 3311.88 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Career Center provides vocational education for 9 school districts serving all eligible students throughout 501 square miles of eastern Ohio, including Columbiana and portions of Mahoning, and Jefferson counties. The Career Center fosters cooperative relationships with business and industry, professional organizations, participating school districts, and other interested, concerned groups and organizations to consider, plan, and implement educational programs designed to meet the common needs and interests of students. The Career Center is staffed by 47 certificated employees and 21 non-certificated employees to provide service to approximately 406 students.

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

The basic financial statements of the Career Center 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 Career Center also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statements and Interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, to its governmental activities and to its proprietary fund provided they do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The Career Center's significant accounting policies are described below.

#### A. Reporting Entity

The reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, "<u>The Financial Reporting Entity</u>" as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "<u>Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units</u>". The reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the basic financial statements of the Career Center are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Career Center. For the Career Center, this includes general operations, food service and student related activities of the Career Center.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Career Center is financially accountable. The Career Center is financially accountable for an organization if the Career Center appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Career Center is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Career Center is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; or (3) the Career Center is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (4) the Career Center is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Career Center in that the Career Center approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. Based upon the application of these criteria, the Career Center has no component units. The basic financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the Career Center (the primary government).

### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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

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

#### JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

#### Area Cooperative Computerized Educational Service System (ACCESS)

ACCESS is a jointly governed organization among 22 school districts and 2 county educational service centers. ACCESS was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to the administrative and instructional functions among member districts. Each of the governments of these schools supports ACCESS based upon a per pupil charge dependent upon the software package utilized. ACCESS is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of superintendents of the members school districts. The degree of control exercised by any school district is limited to its representation on the Board. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, the Career Center does not have any equity interest in ACCESS. Financial information can be obtained from the treasurer for the Mahoning County Educational Service Center, who serves as fiscal agent, at 100 DeBartolo Place, Suite 104, Youngstown, Ohio 44512-7019.

#### INSURANCE PURCHASING POOL

#### Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Services Agency

The District is a participant with several other school districts in an insurance purchasing pool to operate the Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency (OME-RESA). OME-RESA was formed for the purpose of providing insurance. OME-RESA is governed by a board of directors consisting of the superintendents of the member school districts. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the board.

### Ohio Association of School Business Officials Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

The Career Center participates in a group rating plan for workers' compensation as established under Section 4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Ohio Association of School Business Officials Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (the "Plan") was established through the Ohio Association of School Business Officials ("OASBO") as a group purchasing pool.

The Executive Director of the OASBO, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the Plan. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the Plan to cover the costs of administering the program.

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

The Career Center uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self balancing set of accounts. There are three categories of funds: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

#### GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance.

### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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

The following are the Career Center's major governmental funds:

<u>General Fund</u> - The general fund is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

<u>Adult Education</u> - The Adult Education fund is used to account for transactions made in connection with adult education classes. Receipts include, but are not limited to, tuition from patrons and students and reimbursement from the State Department of Education. Expenditures include supplies, salaries and textbooks.

<u>Permanent Improvement</u> - The Permanent Improvement fund is used to account for all transactions related to acquiring, construction or improving projects that are approved by Section 5705, Ohio Revised Code.

Other governmental funds of the Career Center are used to account for (a) financial resources to be used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of capital facilities other than those financed by proprietary and trust funds; and (b) for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

#### PROPRIETARY FUND

Proprietary funds are used to account for the Career Center's ongoing activities which are similar to those often found in the private sector. The Career Center has no enterprise funds. The following is a description of the Career Center's internal service fund:

<u>Internal Service Fund</u> - The internal service fund is used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the Career Center, or to other governments, on a cost-reimbursement basis. The only internal service fund of the Career Center accounts for a self-insurance program which provides medical/surgical and dental benefits to employees.

#### FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net assets and changes in net assets. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the Career Center under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the Career Center's own programs. The Career Center's has no trust funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The Career Center's agency fund accounts for student activities and Career Center agency services.

### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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

#### C. Basis of Presentation and Measurement Focus

<u>Government-wide Financial Statements</u> - The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the Career Center as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. Internal service fund operating activity is eliminated to avoid overstatement of revenues and expenses.

The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the governmental activities of the Career Center. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include amounts paid by the recipient of goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the Career Center.

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the Career Center are included on the statement of net assets.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the Career Center. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column, and all nonmajor funds are aggregated into one column. The internal service fund is presented in a single column on the face of the proprietary fund statements. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

Like the government-wide statements, the internal service fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the statement of fund net assets. The statement of changes in fund net assets presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the Career Center finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activity.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operation. The principal operating revenues of the Career Center's internal service fund is charges for sales and services. Operating expenses for internal service funds include the claims and services and administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Agency funds do not report a measurement focus as they do not report operations.

### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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

#### D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary and fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting.

<u>Revenues - Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions</u> - Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the Career Center, available means expected to be received within sixty days of fiscal year-end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the Career Center receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (see Note 6).

Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include 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 Career Center must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Career Center on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year-end: property taxes available as an advance, interest, tuition, grants, student fees and rentals.

<u>Unearned Revenue and Deferred Revenue</u> - Unearned revenue and deferred revenue arise when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Property taxes for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2007, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2008 operations, and other revenues received in advance of the fiscal year for which they are intended to finance, have been recorded as unearned revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met and delinquent property taxes due at June 30, 2007 are recorded as deferred revenue.

On governmental fund financial statements, receivables that will not be collected within the available period have been reported as deferred revenue.

<u>Expenses/Expenditures</u> - On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The fair value of donated commodities received during the year is reported in the financial statements as an expenditure with a like amount reported as intergovernmental revenue.

### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in governmental funds.

#### E. Budgets

The Career Center is required by State statute to adopt an annual appropriated cash basis budget for all funds (except agency funds). The specific timetable for fiscal year 2007 is as follows:

- 1. Prior to January 15, the Superintendent and Treasurer submit to the Board of Education a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing for all funds. Public hearings are publicized and conducted to obtain taxpayers' comments. The expressed purpose of this budget document is to reflect the need for existing (or increased) tax rates.
- By no later than January 20, the board-adopted budget is filed with the Columbiana County Budget Commission for tax rate determination.
- 3. Prior to April 1, the Board of Education accepts, by formal resolution, the tax rates as determined by the Budget Commission and receives the Commission's Certificate of Estimated Resources which states the projected revenue of each fund. Prior to June 30, the Career Center must revise its budget so that total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing year will not exceed the amount stated in the Certificate of Estimated Resources. The revised budget then serves as a basis for the appropriation measure. On or about July 1, the Certificate is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding year as reported by the Career Center Treasurer. The Certificate may be further amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the Career Center Treasurer. The budget figures, as shown in the accompanying budgetary statement, reflect the amounts set forth in the original and final Certificates of Estimated Resources issued for fiscal year 2007.
- 4. By July 1, the annual appropriation resolution is legally enacted by the Board of Education at the fund level of expenditures, which is the legal level of budgetary control. State statute permits a temporary appropriation to be effective until no later than October 1 of each year. Resolution appropriations by fund must be within the estimated resources as certified by the County Budget Commission and the total of expenditures and encumbrances may not exceed the appropriation totals.
- 5. Any revisions that alter the total of any fund appropriation must be approved by the Board of Education.
- 6. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all funds consistent with the general obligation bond indenture and other statutory provisions. All funds completed the year within the amount of their legally authorized cash basis appropriation.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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

7. Appropriations amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Board of Education through the year by supplemental appropriations, which either reallocated or increased the original appropriated amounts. All supplemental appropriations were legally enacted by the Board prior to June 30, 2007, however, none of these amendments were significant. The budget figures, as shown in the accompanying budgetary statement, reflect the original and final appropriation amounts including all amendments and modifications.

Although the legal level of budgetary control was established at the fund level of expenditures, the budgetary statements present comparisons at the fund and function level of expenditures as elected by the Career Center Treasurer.

8. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end. Encumbered appropriations are carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated. Expenditures plus encumbrances may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the fund level.

#### F. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Career Center is pooled in a central bank account. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Career Center's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents" on the basic financial statements.

During fiscal year 2007, investments were limited to investments in the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio), non-negotiable certificates of deposit and a repurchase agreement. Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value, which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts such as repurchase agreements and non negotiable certificates of deposit are reported at cost.

The Career Center has invested funds in STAR Ohio during fiscal 2007. STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2007.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund. By policy of the Board of Education, investment earnings are assigned to the Permanent Improvement capital projects fund. Interest revenue credited to the permanent improvement fund during fiscal year 2007 amounted to \$156,032, which includes \$73,409 assigned from other Career Center funds.

For presentation on the basic financial statements, investments of the cash management pool and investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Career Center are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months are reported as investments.

An analysis of the Career Center's investment account at fiscal year-end is provided in Note 4.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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

#### G. Inventory

On government-wide and fund financial statements, inventories are presented at the lower of cost or market on a first-in, first-out basis and are expensed when used. Inventories are accounted for using the consumption method.

On the fund financial statements, reported material and supplies inventory is equally offset by a fund balance reserve in the governmental funds which indicates that it does not constitute available spendable resources even though it is a component of net current assets.

Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption, donated food and purchased food.

#### H. Capital Assets

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary fund. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net assets but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and deductions during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Career Center maintains a capitalization threshold of \$2,500. Improvements 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. The Career Center does not possess infrastructure.

All reported capital assets except land and construction in progress are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

	Governmental
	Activities
Description	Estimated Lives
Land improvements	5 - 20 years
Buildings and improvements	20 - 50 years
Furniture and equipment	5 - 20 years
Vehicles	6 - 10 years

#### I. Interfund Balances

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables." These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column on the statement of net assets.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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

#### J. Compensated Absences

Compensated absences of the Career Center consist of vacation leave and severance liability to the extent that payments to the employee for these absences are attributable to services already rendered and are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the Career Center and the employee.

In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences", a liability for vacation leave is accrued if a) the employees' rights to payment are attributable to services already rendered; and b) it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or other means, such as cash payment at termination or retirement. A liability for severance is accrued using the vesting method; i.e., the liability is based on the sick leave accumulated at June 30, 2007, by those employees who are currently eligible to receive termination (severance) payments, as well as those employees expected to become eligible in the future.

The Career Center records a liability for accumulated unused sick leave for employees after 20 years of current service with the Career Center, or after 15 years of service and at least 45 years of age or after 10 years of service and at least 50 years old.

The total liability for vacation and severance payments has been calculated using pay rates in effect at June 30, 2007, and reduced to the maximum payment allowed by labor contract and/or statute, plus any applicable additional salary related payments.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

For governmental fund financial statements, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount expected to be paid using expendable available resources. These amounts are recorded in the account "compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated unpaid leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported.

#### K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements, and all payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations payable from the internal service fund are reported on the proprietary fund financial statements.

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. However, compensated absences and contractually required pension contributions that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current year.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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

#### L. Fund Balance Reserves

The Career Center reserves those portions of fund equity which are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available expendable resources and therefore are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund equity which is available for appropriation in future periods. Fund equity reserves have been established for encumbrances, prepayments, materials and supplies inventory and property tax revenue unavailable for appropriation. The reserve for property taxes unavailable for appropriation represents taxes recognized as revenue under GAAP but not available for appropriation under State statute.

#### M. Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt consist of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

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

#### N. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary fund. For the Career Center, these revenues are charges for services for the employee self-insurance program. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the goods or services that are the primary activity of the fund, including claims and administrative expenses.

#### O. Prepayments

Certain payments to vendors reflect the costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements. These items are reported as assets on the balance sheet using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amounts is recorded at the time of the purchase and the expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed. At fiscal year-end, because prepayments are not available to finance future governmental fund expenditures, the fund balance is reserved by an amount equal to the carrying value of the asset on the fund financial statements.

#### P. Estimates

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

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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

#### Q. Interfund Activity

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and after nonoperating revenues/expenses in proprietary fund. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the basic financial statements.

#### R. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Board of Education and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during fiscal year 2007.

#### NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

#### **Deficit Fund Balances**

Fund balances at June 30, 2007 included the following individual fund deficit:

Nonmajor Fund	<u>Deficit</u>
Adult Education full service grant	\$ 1,219

The general fund is liable for the deficit in this fund and provides transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur. The deficit fund balances resulted from adjustments for accrued liabilities. These deficits should be eliminated by future intergovernmental revenues not recognized under GAAP at June 30.

#### **NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

State statutes classify monies held by the Career Center into three categories.

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

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

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

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)**

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

- 1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
- 2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- 3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
- 5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in items (1) and (2) above and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);
- 7. Certain banker's acceptance and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the purchase date in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time: and,
- 8. Under limited circumstances, corporate debt interests rated in either of the two highest classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

Protection of the Career Center's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the Treasurer by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Career Center, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)**

#### A. Cash on Hand

At year-end, the Career Center had \$900 in undeposited cash on hand which is included on the financial statements of the Career Center as part of "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents."

#### B. Cash with Fiscal Agent

The Career Center is self-insured through a fiscal agent. The money held by the fiscal agent cannot be identified as an investment or deposit, since it is held in a pool made up of numerous participants. The amount held by the fiscal agent at June 30, 2007 was \$277,290. This amount is not included in the "deposits" or "investments" reported below.

#### C. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At June 30, 2007, the carrying amount of all Career Center deposits was \$570,305, exclusive of the \$254,801 repurchase agreement included in investments below. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of June 30, 2007, \$600,000 of the Career Center's bank balance of \$747,001 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$147,001 was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the Career Center's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the Career Center.

#### D. Investments

As of June 30, 2007, the Career Center had the following investments and maturities:

		Investment
		Maturities
		6 months or
Investment Type:	Fair Value	less
Repurchase Agreement	\$ 254,801	\$ 254,801
STAR Ohio	2,648,861	2,648,861
	\$ 2,903,662	\$ 2,903,662

*Interest Rate Risk:* As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates and according to State law, the Career Center's investment policy limits investment portfolio maturities to five years or less.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)**

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Career Center will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Of the Career Center's \$254,801 investment in repurchase agreements, the entire balance is collateralized by underlying securities that are held by the investment's counterparty, not in the name of the Career Center. Ohio law requires the market value of the securities subject to repurchase agreements must exceed the principal value of securities subject to a repurchase agreement by 2%. The Career Center has no investment policy dealing with investment custodial risk beyond the requirement in State statute that prohibits payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing such investments to the treasurer or qualified trustee.

Credit Risk: Standard & Poor's has assigned STAR Ohio an AAAm money market rating.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The Career Center places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the Career Center at June 30, 2007:

<u>Investment Type:</u>	Fair Value	% or Total
Repurchase Agreement	\$ 254,801	8.78
STAR Ohio	2,648,861	91.22
	\$ 2,903,662	100.00

#### D. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Assets

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments as reported in the footnote above to cash and investments as reported on the statement of net assets as of June 30, 2007:

Cash and Investments per Footnote		
Carrying amount of deposits	\$	570,305
Investments		2,903,662
Cash with fiscal agent		277,290
Cash on hand		900
Total	\$	3,752,157
Cash and Investments per Statement of Net Assets		
Governmental activities	\$	3,743,366
Agency funds	_	8,791
Total	\$	3,752,157

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

**A.** Interfund balances at June 30, 2007 as reported on the fund statements, consist of the following individual interfund receivables and payables:

Receivable Fund	Payable Funds	<u>Amount</u>
General	Nonmajor governmental funds	\$ 40,784

The primary purpose of the interfund balances is to cover costs in specific funds where revenues were not received by June 30. These interfund balances will be repaid once the anticipated revenues are received. All interfund balances are expected to be repaid within one year.

Interfund balances between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements; therefore, no internal balances at June 30, 2007 are reported on the statement of net assets.

**B.** Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2007, consisted of the following, as reported on the fund financial statements:

Transfers to Nonmajor Governmental funds from:	Amount
General Fund	\$ 78,950

Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that statute or budget required to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them and to use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

Interfund transfers between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements; therefore, no transfers are reported on the statement of activities.

All transfers were made in compliance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.14, 5705.15 and 5705.16.

#### **NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES**

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the Career Center fiscal year runs from July through June. First half tax collections are received by the Career Center in the second half of the fiscal year. Second half tax distributions occur in the first half of the following fiscal year.

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility and tangible personal property (used in business) located in the Career Center. Real property tax revenue received in calendar year 2007 represents collections of calendar year 2006 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2007 were levied after April 1, 2006, on the assessed value listed as of December 31, 2006, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State law at thirty-five percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES - (Continued)**

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar year 2007 represents collections of calendar year 2006 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2007 became a lien December 31, 2005 were levied after April 1, 2006 and are collected in 2007 with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at thirty-five percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

Tangible personal property tax revenue received during calendar year 2007 (other than public utility property) represents the collection of 2007 taxes. Tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2007 were levied after April 1, 2006, on the value as of January 1, 2006. For 2006, tangible personal property is assessed at 18.75% for property including inventory. This percentage will be reduced to 12.5% for 2007, 6.25% for 2008 and zero for 2009. Payments by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due April 30; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20. Tangible personal property taxes paid by April 30 are usually received by the Career Center prior to June 30.

House Bill No. 66 was signed into law on June 30, 2005. House Bill No. 66 phases out the tax on tangible personal property of general businesses, telephone and telecommunications companies, and railroads. The tax on general business and railroad property will be eliminated by calendar year 2009, and the tax on telephone and telecommunications property will be eliminated by calendar year 2011. The tax is phased out by reducing the assessment rate on the property each year. The bill replaces the revenue lost by the Career Center due to the phasing out of the tax. In calendar years 2006-2010, the Career Center will be fully reimbursed for the lost revenue. In calendar years 2011-2017, the reimbursements will be phased out.

The Career Center receives property taxes from Columbiana, Mahoning, Jefferson and Carroll Counties. The County Treasurers collect property taxes on behalf of the Career Center. The County Auditors periodically advances to the Career Center its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2007, are available to finance fiscal year 2007 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real property, public utility property and tangible personal property taxes which are measurable as of June 30, 2007 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount of real property taxes available as an advance at June 30 was levied to finance current fiscal year operations and is reported as revenue at fiscal year-end. The portion of the receivable not levied to finance current fiscal year operations is offset by a credit to unearned revenue.

The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2007 was \$97,895 in the general fund. This amount has been recorded as revenue. The amount that was available as an advance at June 30, 2006 was \$161,529 in the general fund.

On a full accrual basis, collectible delinquent property taxes have been recorded as a receivable and revenue, while on a modified accrual basis the revenue has been deferred.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES - (Continued)**

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2007 taxes were collected are:

		2006 Second Half Collections			2007 First Half Collections	
	_	Amount	Percent	_	Amount	Percent
Agricultural/residential						
and public utility real estate	\$	827,208,690	77.23	\$	774,911,300	77.59
Commercial/Industrical real estate		136,679,050	12.76		124,693,690	12.49
Public utility real estate		65,109,040	6.08		57,890,370	5.80
Tangible personal property		42,055,088	3.93		41,219,860	4.12
Total	\$	1,071,051,868	100.00	\$	998,715,220	100.00
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation		\$2.80			\$2.80	

#### **NOTE 7 - RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at June 30, 2007 consisted of taxes, accounts (billings for user charged services and student fees), accrued interest and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs and the current year guarantee of federal funds. A summary of the principal items of receivables reported on the statement of net assets follows:

#### **Governmental Activities:**

Taxes	\$	2,152,603
Accounts		744
Intergovernmental		98,845
Accrued Interest		11,221
Total	<u>\$</u>	2,263,413

Receivables have been disaggregated on the face of the basic financial statements. All receivables are expected to be collected in the subsequent year.

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### NOTE 8 - CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	Balance			Balance
	06/30/06	Additions	Deductions	06/30/07
<b>Governmental Activities</b>				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 152,290	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 152,290
Construction in progress	159,214	352,270	(511,484)	
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	311,504	352,270	(511,484)	152,290
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Land improvements	277,347	6,245	-	283,592
Buildings and improvements	7,258,373	543,506	-	7,801,879
Furniture and equipment	1,457,612	44,043	(9,107)	1,492,548
Vehicles	109,360			109,360
Total capital assets, being depreciated	9,102,692	593,794	(9,107)	9,687,379
Less: accumulated depreciation:				
Land improvements	(235,702)	(2,776)	-	(238,478)
Buildings and improvements	(1,122,765)	(241,463)	-	(1,364,228)
Furniture and equipment	(878,536)	(97,322)	9,107	(966,751)
Vehicles	(104,871)	(2,993)		(107,864)
Total accumulated depreciation	(2,341,874)	(344,554)	9,107	(2,677,321)
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 7,072,322	\$ 601,510	\$ (511,484)	\$ 7,162,348

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

<u>Instruction</u> :	
Regular	\$ 24,901
Vocational	218,851
Support Services:	
Pupil	4,259
Instructional staff	9,904
Administration	13,417
Fiscal	2,130
Operations and maintenance	8,217
Pupil transportation	2,993
Central	10,893
Food service operations	48,989
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 344,554</u>

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

**A.** During the fiscal year 2007, the following activity occurred in governmental activities long-term obligations:

· ·	Balance Outstanding 06/30/06	Additions	Reductions	Balance Outstanding 06/30/07	Amounts Due in One Year
Governmental Activities: Compensated absences	\$ 343,865	\$ 111,298	\$ (85,214)	\$ 369,949	\$ 109,395
Total long-term obligations, governmental activities	\$ 343,865	\$ 111,298	\$ (85,214)	\$ 369,949	\$ 109,395

Compensated absences will be paid from the fund which the employee is paid, which for the Career Center are primarily the general fund, adult education fund and the food service fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

#### B. Legal Debt Margin

The Ohio Revised Code provides that voted net general obligation debt of the Career Center shall never exceed 9% of the total assessed valuation of the Career Center. The code further provides that unvoted indebtedness shall not exceed 1/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the Career Center. The code additionally states that unvoted indebtedness related to energy conservation debt shall not exceed 9/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the Career Center. The assessed valuation used in determining the Career Center's legal debt margin has been modified by House Bill 530 which became effective March 30, 2006. In accordance with House Bill 530, the assessed valuation used in the Career Center's legal debt margin calculation excluded tangible personal property used in business, telephone or telegraph property, interexchange telecommunications company property, and personal property owned or leased by a railroad company and used in railroad operations. The effects of these debt limitations at June 30, 2007, are a voted debt margin of \$85,245,123 and an unvoted debt margin of \$947,168.

#### NOTE 10 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

#### A. Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave components are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. Classified employees earn 10 to 20 days of vacation per fiscal year, depending upon length of service. Accumulated, unused vacation time is paid to classified employees and administrators upon termination of employment. Teachers do not earn vacation time.

Teachers, administrators, and classified employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of 274 days for administrators, 274 days for classified and 273 for certified personnel. Upon retirement, payment is made for one-fourth of accrued but unused sick leave to a maximum of 69 days for administrators, 47 days for classified employees and 68 days for certified employees.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 10 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS - (Continued)**

#### **B.** Life Insurance

The Career Center provides life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance to most employees through Safeco Life Insurance Company.

#### **NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

#### A. Comprehensive

The Career Center is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2007, the Career Center's insurance coverage was as follows:

Type of Coverage	<u>Deductible</u>	<u>Liability Limit</u>
Building and Contents - replacement cost	\$ 1,000	\$20,439,097
Boiler	1,000	20,439,097
EDP Coverage	1,000	454,200
Garagekeepers	500	120,000
Automobile Liability	500	1,000,000
General Liability:		
Per occurrence	n/a	1,000,000
Aggregate	n/a	5,000,000
Umbrella Liability:		
Per occurrence	2,500	1,000,000
Aggregate	10,000	4,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from prior year.

#### **NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)**

#### **B.** Health Insurance

Medical/surgical and dental insurance is offered to employees through a self-insurance internal service fund. The Career Center is a member of a claims servicing pool, in which monthly premiums are paid to the fiscal agent who in turn pays the claims on the Career Center's behalf. The claims liability of \$51,688 reported in the internal service fund at June 30, 2007, is based on an estimate provided by the third party administrator and the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Risk Financing and Related Insurance Issues", as amended by GASB Statement No. 30, "Risk Financing Omnibus", which requires that a liability for unpaid claim costs, including estimates of costs relating to incurred, but not reported claims, be reported. Changes in claims activity for the current and previous fiscal year is as follows:

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)**

Fiscal Year	Beginning Balance	Claims <u>Incurred</u>	Claims Payments	Ending Balance
2007	\$ 45,391	\$ 723,238	\$ (716,941)	\$ 51,688
2006	58,927	750,517	(764,053)	45,391

#### C. Workers' Compensation

The Career Center participates in the Ohio Association of School Business Officials Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (the "Plan"), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 2.A.). The intent of the Plan is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the Career Center by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the Plan. Participants in the Plan are placed on tiers according to their loss history. Participants with low loss histories are rewarded with greater savings than participants with higher loss histories. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for its Plan tier rather than its individual rate. Participation in the Plan is limited to school districts than can meet the Plan's selection criteria. The firm of Sheakley UniService, Inc. provides administrative, cost control, assistance with safety programs, and actuarial services to the Plan.

#### **NOTE 12 - PENSION PLANS**

#### A. School Employees Retirement System

The Career Center 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, <a href="https://www.ohsers.org">www.ohsers.org</a>, under Forms and Publications.

Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Career Center is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current Career Center rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the Career Center'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 Career Center's required contribution for pension obligations to SERS for fiscal years ended June 30 2007, 2006, and 2005, were \$80,947, \$78,267, and \$85,173, respectively. 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2007, 2006, and 2005.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### NOTE 12 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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

The Career Center 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, by calling (614) 227-4090, or by visiting the STRS Ohio website at www.strsoh.org.

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 Career Center was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal years 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 Career Center's required contributions for fund pension obligations to the DB Plan for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$372,883, \$410,054, and \$452,822, respectively. 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2007, 2006, and 2005. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2007 were \$14,222 made by the Career Center and \$14,708 made by the plan members.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 12 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

#### 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 Education have elected Social Security. The Career Center's liability is 6.2% of wages paid.

#### **NOTE 13 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

The Career Center 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 Career Center, this amount equaled \$28,683 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, Career Center paid \$36,365 to fund health care benefits, including the surcharge.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 13 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)**

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, 2006 (the latest information 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 14 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balance on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, cash disbursements and encumbrances.

The statement of revenue, expenditures, and changes in fund balance - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) presented for the general fund and the adult education fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and the GAAP basis are that:

- (a) Revenues and other financing sources are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis);
- (b) Expenditures and other financing uses are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis);
- (c) In order to determine compliance with Ohio law, and to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, total outstanding encumbrances (budget basis) are recorded as the equivalent of an expenditure, as opposed to a reservation of fund balance for that portion of outstanding encumbrances not already recognized as an account payable (GAAP basis).

The adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations for the year on the budget basis to the GAAP basis for the general fund and adult education fund are as follows:

#### **Net Change in Fund Balance**

	Ge	neral Fund	Adult	Education
Budget basis	\$	377,457	\$	141,553
Net adjustment for revenue accruals		(58,463)		(14,050)
Net adjustment for expenditure accruals		35,208		1,363
Net adjustment for other sources/uses		39,285		-
Adjustment for encumbrances		77,679		2,492
GAAP basis	\$	471,166	\$	131,358

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

#### **NOTE 15 - CONTINGENCIES**

#### A. Grants

The Career Center receives significant financial assistance from numerous federal, State and local agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the Career Center. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material effect on the financial position of the Career Center.

#### B. Litigation

The Career Center is involved in no material litigation as either plaintiff or defendant.

#### **NOTE 16 - STATUTORY RESERVES**

The Career Center is required by State law to set-aside certain general fund revenue amounts, as defined by statute, into various reserves. These reserves are calculated and presented on a cash basis. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, the reserve activity was as follows:

	Textbooks	Capital Acquisitions		
Set-aside balance as of June 30, 2006 Current year set-aside requirement Qualifying disbursements	\$ (865,050) 70,503 (213,454)	\$ - 70,503 (712,623)		
Total	\$ (1,008,001)	\$ (642,120)		
Balance carried forward to FY 2008	\$ (1,008,001)	\$ -		

Although the Career Center had offsets and qualifying disbursements during the year that reduced the set-aside amount below zero for the capital acquisition reserve, this extra amount may not be used to reduce the set-aside requirement for future years. The negative amount is therefore not presented as being carried forward to the next fiscal year.

#### **NOTE 17 - SIGNIFICANT SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

Effective August 23, 2007, Kathy Bosco was appointed interim treasurer of the Career Center.

Effective January 1, 2008, Lisa Bruzzese became the new Treasurer of the Career Center.



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February 29, 2008

To the Board of Education Columbiana County Career and Technical Center Lisbon, OH 44432

# 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 the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Columbiana County Career and Technical Center (the "Career Center") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the Career Center's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 29, 2008. 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 the Career Center'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 the Career Center's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Career Center'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 the entity'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 the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity'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 the entity's internal control.

Columbiana County Career and Technical Center 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 February 29, 2008 Page 2

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. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to the management of the Career Center in a separate letter dated February 29, 2008.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Career Center'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*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Career Center in a separate letter dated February 29, 2008.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Education, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

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February 29, 2008

To the Board of Education Columbiana County Career and Technical Center Lisbon, OH 44432

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

#### Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the Columbiana County Career and Technical Center (the "Career Center") with the types of compliance requirements described in the U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2007. The Career Center's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Career Center's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Career Center's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Career Center's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Career Center's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Career Center complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2007.

#### Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Career Center is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Career Center's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Career Center's internal control over compliance.

Columbiana County Career and Technical Center Independent Auditor's Report On Compliance With Requirements Applicable To Each Major Program And Internal Control Over Compliance In Accordance With OMB Circular A-133 February 29, 2008 Page 2

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the entity's internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses as defined below. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be significant deficiencies and others that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A control deficiency in an entity's internal control over compliance 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 noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2007-001 to be a significant deficiency.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We did not consider the deficiency described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs to be a material weakness.

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

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Education, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

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# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor	CFDA	Pass Through Entity		No	n-Cash			No	n-Cash	
Program Title	Number	Number	Receipts		Receipts				Disbursements	
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  Passed through Ohio Department of Education:										
Food Donation	10.550	FY2007		\$	5,003			\$	5,003	
Tood Bollation	10.550	112007		Ψ	3,003			Ψ	5,005	
Nutrition Cluster:										
School Breakfast Program	10.553	05PU - 2006	\$ 4,090			\$	4,090			
- 121 12 12		05PU - 2007	18,852				18,852			
Total School Breakfast Program			22,942				22,942			
National School Lunch Program		LLP4 - 2006	9,867				9,867			
č		LLP4 - 2007	43,738				43,738			
Total National School Lunch Program			53,605				53,605			
Total Nutrition Cluster			76,547				76,547			
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			76,547		5,003		76,547		5,003	
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION										
Direct Federal Program:										
Federal Pell Grant Program	84.063	N/A	265,274				265,274			
Passed through Ohio Department of Education:	94.002	ABS1 2006	7.452				12.650			
Adult Education - State Grant Program	84.002	ABS1 - 2006 ABS1 - 2007	7,453 195,123				12,650 188,206			
Total Adult Education - State Grant Program		ADS1 - 2007	202,576				200,856			
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Vocational Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048	20C1 - 2006	6,230				14,849			
		20C2 - 2006	147,082				141,983			
T. 17		20C2 - 2007	183,447				169,175			
Total Vocational Education - Basic Grants to States			336,759				326,007			
Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities	84.186	DRS1 - 2006	0				915			
		DRS1 - 2007	1,575				1,575			
Total Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities	3		1,575				2,490			
State Grants for Innovative Programs	84.298	C2S1 - 2007	1,179				1,179			
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	TRS1 - 2007	4,440				4,440			
Total U.S. Department of Education			811,803		_		800,246			
Total Federal Financial Assistance			\$ 888,350	\$	5,003	\$	876,793	\$	5,003	

See accompanying notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

# NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS JUNE 30, 2007

#### NOTE A: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is a summary of the activity of the Career Center's federal award programs. The schedule has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting.

#### NOTE B: NUTRITION CLUSTER

Reimbursement monies are commingled with local receipts and state grants. It is assumed federal moneys are expended first.

Food Distribution Program nonmonetary assistance is not part of the Nutrition Cluster; however, it is reported in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards at the fair market value of the commodities received and disbursed. At June 30, 2007, the Career Center had no significant food commodities inventory.

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS OMB CIRCULAR A-133, SECTON .505 JUNE 30, 2007

#### 1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement	Unqualified
	Opinion	
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weakness	No
	conditions reported at the financial statement	
	level (GAGAS)?	
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any other internal control deficiencies	No
	reported at the financial statement level	
	(GAGAS)?	
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material non-compliance at	No
	the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	
(d)(1)(iv)	Was there any material internal control	No
	weakness conditions reported for major	
	federal programs?	
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any other internal control deficiencies	Yes
	reported for major federal programs?	
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under	Yes
	Section .510?	
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Federal Pell Grant Program:
		CFDA #84.063
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A/B	Type A: >\$300,000
	Programs	Type B: All others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	Yes

#### 2. FINDINGS RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

None

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS OMB CIRCULAR A-133, SECTON .505 JUNE 30, 2007

#### 3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

#### Significant Deficiency in Internal Control

FINDING NUMBER	2007-001

Department of Education

Federal Program: Federal Pell Grant Program

CFDA #84.063

Criteria: The Career Center does not have controls in place to ensure they draw down Pell moneys for all students who are eligible.

Condition: The Adult Education Director is the only person who handles the Federal Pell Grant Program. As a result, errors occurred without being detected and the Career Center did not draw down all of the Pell moneys available for three out of 26 students tested.

Context: Three of 26 students tested, out of a population of 93, did not have all of the available moneys under the Federal Pell Grant Program drawn down. These students received the benefit however, the Career Center did not draw down all of the available funds. The Career Center did not draw down any Pell moneys for one student and, the other two errors appear to have been caused by a typographical error. This resulted in the Career Center not drawing down \$3,145 for the students tested in the fiscal year.

Recommendation: We recommend the Career Center establish a process, utilizing current adult education staff, to have checks and balances in place to ensure all draw downs of eligible Federal Pell Grant moneys is being made timely.

Management's Response: See attached letter.



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February 27, 2008

Re: Federal Finding letter, 2007-001

To Whom It May Concern:

In regards to the Federal Finding listed above, the following comments are made:

Student One is referred to in the finding as the student who "the Career Center did not draw down any PELL monies". We did not draw down her monies; however, her tuition was collected in full from an outside funding agency. When her PELL monies were not ready and processed at the time of the drawdown, we collected her tuition from this other agency as she was not going to be allowed to go to school tuition free. We continued to collect her tuition and fees from the other agency until the next PELL fiscal year when she applied again and received her drawdown for her last quarter of the course. This student later received a PELL award equaling \$3000 after other payments were already made to her account. A refund system is already in place to refund the \$3000 to the outside agency who paid her tuition. Our process did catch the fact that her tuition was due and was not being paid by PELL. We also collected her tuition from another source to ensure she was not being allowed to attend school free. Late PELL approvals are where our process was lacking, so we are prepared to institute an "end of the quarter" check by the Adult Director to make sure all PELL amounts are cleared on a report before closing out the quarter.

Students Two and Three had errors due to a typo in each case resulting in a total loss of \$145 to the Career Center. We recognize the errors were made. We feel that these errors will also be noticed when we check the same report as above to check that all PELL monies are collected.

Sincerely,

Kelly Weikart Adult Education Director

cc: file, Treasurer, Supt.



# Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

#### **COLUMBIANA COUNTY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

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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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED APRIL 10, 2008