$\begin{array}{c} \textbf{BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS} \\ \textbf{(AUDITED)} \end{array}$

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Governing Board Madison Champaign Educational Service Center 1512 S. US Hwy 68, Suite J100 Urbana, Ohio 43088

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Madison Champaign Educational Service Center, Champaign County, prepared by Julian & Grube, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. 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 Madison Champaign Educational Service Center is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

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December 10, 2008



BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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Independent Auditor's Report

Governing Board Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center 1512 S. US Hwy 68, Suite J100 Urbana, Ohio 43078

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, its major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center, Champaign County, Ohio, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Madison-Champaign Educational Service 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 the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, its major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center, as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 26, 2008 on our consideration of the Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

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

Independent Auditor's Report Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center Page Two

For the budgetary supplementary information, we have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Julian & Grube, Inc. November 26, 2008

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

The management's discussion and analysis of the Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center's (the "Center") financial performance provides an overall review of the Center's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the 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 Center's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2008 are as follows:

- In total, net assets of governmental activities decreased \$93,138 which represents a 36.50% decrease from 2007.
- General revenues accounted for \$1,466,201 in revenue or 15.42% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales, grants and contributions accounted for \$8,040,843 or 84.58% of total revenues of \$9,507,044.
- The Center had \$9,600,182 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$8,040,843 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues supporting governmental activities (primarily unrestricted grants and entitlements) of \$1,466,201 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- The Center's only major governmental fund is the general fund. The general fund had \$8,659,500 in revenues and \$8,722,146 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2008, the general fund's fund balance decreased \$62,646 from \$409,577 to \$346,931.

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 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 Center, presenting both an aggregate view of the 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 Center's most significant funds with all other nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the Center, the general fund is by far the most significant fund and the only fund reported as a major fund.

Reporting the 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 Center to provide programs and activities, the view of the Center as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during 2008?" 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.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

These two statements report the Center's *net assets* and changes in those assets. This change in net assets is important because it tells the reader that, for the Center as a whole, the *financial position* of the 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 Center's facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

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

The Center's statement of net assets and statement of activities can be found on pages 12-13 of this report.

Reporting the Center's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

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

Governmental Funds

Most of the 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* than can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed *short-term* view of the 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 14-17 of this report.

Reporting the Center's Fiduciary Responsibilities

The Center acts in a trustee capacity as an agent for individuals or other entities. These activities are reported in agency funds. All of the Center's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate statement of fiduciary net assets on page 18. These activities are excluded from the Center's other financial statements because the assets cannot be utilized by the 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 19-39 of this report.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

The Center as a Whole

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

The table below provides a summary of the Center's net assets for 2008 and 2007.

Net Assets

	Governmental Activities	Governmental Activities 2007
Assets	Φ 4 605 40 6	4.502.201
Current and other assets	\$ 1,637,186	\$ 1,593,294
Capital assets, net	236,033	262,866
Total assets	1,873,219	1,856,160
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	1,204,501	1,110,419
Long-term liabilities	506,696	490,581
Total liabilities	1,711,197	1,601,000
Net Assets		
Invested in capital		
assets, net of related debt	162,361	169,101
Restricted	69,822	64,014
Unrestricted (deficit)	(70,161)	22,045
Total net assets	\$ 162,022	\$ 255,160

Over time, net assets can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2008, the Center's assets exceeded liabilities by \$162,022. Of this total, \$69,822 is restricted in use.

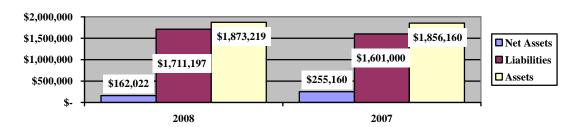
At year-end, capital assets represented 12.60% of total assets. Capital assets include furniture and equipment and vehicles. Capital assets, net of related debt to acquire the assets at June 30, 2008, were \$162,361. These capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending. Although the Center's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets may not be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of the Center's net assets, \$69,822, represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance is a deficit of unrestricted net assets.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

The graph below illustrates the Center's governmental activities assets, liabilities and net assets at June 30, 2008 and 2007.

Governmental Activities



The table below shows the change in net assets for fiscal year 2008 and 2007.

Change in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities 2008	Governmental Activities 2007		
Revenues				
Program Revenues:				
Charges for services and sales	\$ 7,471,344	\$ 6,587,052		
Operating grants and contributions	569,499	545,514		
General revenues:				
Grants and entitlements	1,279,401	1,268,106		
Investment earnings	43,236	74,436		
Other	143,564	493,399		
Total revenues	9,507,044	8,968,507		

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Change in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities 2008	Governmental Activities 2007		
Expenses				
Program expenses:				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 315,550	\$ 623,815		
Special	2,568,182	2,226,142		
Adult	24,058	20,462		
Support services:				
Pupil	2,374,590	1,930,843		
Instructional staff	2,403,298	2,476,438		
Board of education	29,239	21,445		
Administration	1,189,762	1,104,182		
Fiscal	364,194	280,959		
Business	9,330	8,813		
Operations and maintenance	23,819	49,833		
Pupil transportation	218,217	221,641		
Central	6,301	6,814		
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	66,668	90,956		
Other non-instructional services	-	1,088		
Extracurricular	199	-		
Interest and fiscal charges	6,775	4,420		
Total expenses	9,600,182	9,067,851		
Change in net assets	(93,138)	(99,344)		
Net assets at beginning of year	255,160	354,504		
Net assets at end of year	\$ 162,022	\$ 255,160		

Governmental Activities

Net assets of the Center's governmental activities decreased \$93,138. Total governmental expenses of \$9,600,182 were offset by program revenues of \$8,040,843, and general revenues of \$1,466,201. Program revenues supported 83.76% of the total governmental expenses.

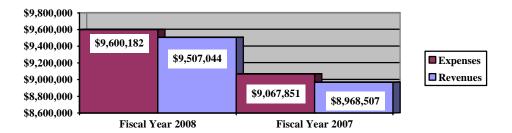
The primary sources of revenue for governmental activities are derived from charges for services and sales. These revenue sources represent 78.59% of total governmental revenue.

The largest expense of the Center is for support services. Support services expenses totaled \$6,618,750 or 68.94% of total governmental expenses for fiscal year 2008.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

The graph below presents the Center's governmental activities revenue and expenses for fiscal years 2008 and 2007.

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

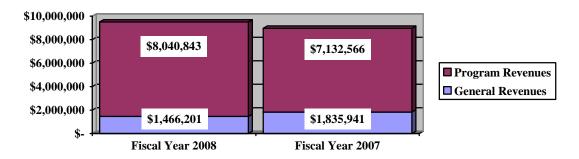
	T	otal Cost of Services 2008	et Cost of Services 2008	То	otal Cost of Services 2007	et Cost of Services 2007
Program expenses						
Instruction:						
Regular	\$	315,550	\$ 19,423	\$	623,815	\$ 48,836
Special		2,568,182	329,229		2,226,142	333,042
Adult		24,058	8,649		20,462	626
Support services:						
Pupil		2,374,590	296,340		1,930,843	378,059
Instructional staff		2,403,298	315,074		2,476,438	552,414
Board of education		29,239	29,239		21,445	21,445
Administration		1,189,762	178,857		1,104,182	270,841
Fiscal		364,194	336,480		280,959	260,342
Business		9,330	9,330		8,813	8,813
Operations and maintenance		23,819	23,819		49,833	49,833
Pupil transportation		218,217	3,315		221,641	597
Central		6,301	6,301		6,814	6,814
Operation of non-instructional services:						
Food service operations		66,668	(3,691)		90,956	(1,885)
Other non-instructional services		-	-		1,088	1,088
Extracurricular		199	199		_	-
Interest and fiscal charges		6,775	 6,775		4,420	 4,420
Total expenses	\$	9,600,182	\$ 1,559,339	\$	9,067,851	\$ 1,935,285

For all governmental activities, program revenue support is 83.76%. The primary support of the Center is contracted fees for services provided to other school districts.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

The graph below presents the Center's governmental activities revenue for fiscal years 2008 and 2007.

Governmental Activities - General and Program Revenues



The Center's Funds

The Center's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$418,667 which is lower than last year's total of \$470,627. The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balance as of June 30, 2008 and 2007.

	Fund Balance June 30, 2008	Fund Balance June 30, 2007	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percentage <u>Change</u>
General Other Governmental	\$ 346,931 71,736	\$ 409,577 61,050	\$ (62,646) 10,686	(15.30) % 17.50 %
Total	\$ 418,667	\$ 470,627	\$ (51,960)	(11.04) %

An analysis of the general fund revenues and expenditures is provided in the section below. The decrease in the general fund balance is primarily due to additional costs.

General Fund

The Center's general fund balance decreased \$62,646.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

	2008	2007	Increase/	Percentage
	Amount	Amount	(Decrease)	<u>Change</u>
Revenues				
Tuition	\$ 7,193,221	\$ 6,238,770	\$ 954,451	15.30 %
Earnings on investments	42,828	73,819	(30,991)	(41.98) %
Intergovernmental	1,279,401	1,268,106	11,295	0.89 %
Other revenues	144,050	423,222	(279,172)	(65.96) %
	·	·		
Total	\$ 8,659,500	\$ 8,003,917	\$ 655,583	8.19 %
				
Expenditures				
Instruction	\$ 2,579,834	\$ 2,538,921	\$ 40,913	1.61 %
Support services	6,115,958	5,503,584	612,374	11.13 %
Extracurricular activities	199	-	199	100.00 %
Capital outlay	-	48,904	(48,904)	100.00 %
Debt service	26,155	54,282	(28,127)	(51.82) %
		·	<u></u>	
Total	\$ 8,722,146	\$ 8,145,691	\$ 576,455	7.08 %

Earnings on investments decreased due to lower interest rates. The increase in tuition revenue and the decrease in contract services revenue during 2008 is a result of the Center classifying amounts paid by school districts as tuition revenue rather than contract services revenue in accordance with the Auditor of State Technical Bulletin 2007-005. Other revenues decreased due to the decrease in monies received from school improvement services and miscellaneous programs. Capital outlay and debt service expenditures decreased because the Center did not enter into any new capital lease agreements during the year.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2008, the Center had \$236,033 invested in furniture and equipment and vehicles. This entire amount is reported in governmental activities. The following table shows fiscal year 2008 balances compared to 2007:

Capital Assets at June 30 (Net of Depreciation)

	Governmental Activities			
		2008	2007	
Furniture and equipment Vehicles	\$	209,022 27,011	\$	228,734 34,132
Total	\$	236,033	\$	262,866

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

The overall decrease in capital assets of \$26,833 is due depreciation expense of \$59,947 and disposals of \$3,621 (net of accumulated depreciation) exceeding capital outlays of \$36,735 in the fiscal year.

See Note 7 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the Center's capital assets.

Debt Administration

At June 30, 2008, the Center had \$73,672 in capital lease obligations outstanding. Of this total, \$21,761 is due within one year and \$51,911 is due within greater than one year. The following table summarizes the capital lease obligations outstanding.

Outstanding Debt, at Year End

	Governmental Activities 2008	Governmental Activities 2007
Capital lease obligations	\$ 73,672	\$ 93,765
Total	\$ 73,672	\$ 93,765

See Notes 8 and 9 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the Center's capital leases and debt administration.

Current Financial Related Activities

The Center is financially solvent. As the preceding information shows, the Center relies heavily on contracts with local, city, and JVS school districts in Madison and Champaign Counties, as well as State foundation revenue and grants. The need for additional services from local and city school districts, along with the Center's cash balance, will provide the Center with the necessary funds to meet its operating expenses in fiscal year 2009.

Contacting the Center's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our member districts and other interested parties with a general overview of the Center's finances and to show the Center's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Mr. Matthew Ketcham, Treasurer, Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center, 1512 S. U.S. Highway 68, Urbana, Ohio 43088.



STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2008

	 vernmental Activities
Assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and investments	\$ 1,355,902
Receivables:	
Intergovernmental	256,853
Accrued interest	1,785
Loans	22,646
Capital assets:	
Depreciable capital assets, net	 236,033
Capital assets, net	 236,033
Total assets	 1,873,219
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	11,941
Accrued wages and benefits	964,404
Pension obligation payable	163,832
Intergovernmental payable	64,324
Long-term liabilities:	
Due within one year	65,947
Due in more than one year	 440,749
Total liabilities	 1,711,197
Net Assets:	
Invested in capital assets, net	
of related debt	162,361
Restricted for:	•
State funded programs	3,428
Federally funded programs	18,503
Other purposes	47,891
Unrestricted (deficit)	 (70,161)
Total net assets	\$ 162,022

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Net (Expense)

				Program	_		(evenue and Changes in
	Expenses		Charges			perating	1	Net Assets
			S		vices Grants an		d Governmental	
Governmental activities:	<u>r</u>	Expenses		and Sales		ntributions	-	Activities
Instruction:								
Regular	\$	315,550	\$	81,921	\$	214,206	\$	(19,423)
Special	Ψ	2,568,182	Ψ	2,160,722	Ψ	78,231	Ψ	(329,229)
Adult.		24,058		2,100,722		15,409		(8,649)
Support services:		24,030				13,407		(0,042)
Pupil		2,374,590		2,054,534		23,716		(296,340)
Instructional staff		2,403,298		2,026,022		62,202		(315,074)
Board of education		29,239		-,,		-		(29,239)
Administration		1,189,762		980,115		30,790		(178,857)
Fiscal		364,194		23,246		4,468		(336,480)
Business		9,330		-		-		(9,330)
Operations and maintenance		23,819		-		-		(23,819)
Pupil transportation		218,217		114,126		100,776		(3,315)
Central		6,301		-		-		(6,301)
Operation of non-instructional services:								
Food service operations		66,668		30,658		39,701		3,691
Extracurricular activities		199		-		-		(199)
Interest and fiscal charges		6,775						(6,775)
Total governmental activities	\$	9,600,182	\$	7,471,344	\$	569,499		(1,559,339)
		al Revenues:	s not res	tricted				
								1,279,401
								43,236
		C						143,564
								1,466,201
	Change	e in net assets						(93,138)
		sets at beginnin						255,160
		_						
	Net as	sets at end of ye	ar	• • • • • • • •			\$	162,022

BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2008

	General		Other Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
Assets:	-				-	
Equity in pooled cash						
and investments	\$	1,245,750	\$	110,152	\$	1,355,902
Receivables:						
Intergovernmental		244,387		12,466		256,853
Accrued interest		1,785		-		1,785
Loans		22,646		-		22,646
Due from other funds		6,866		-		6,866
Total assets	\$	1,521,434	\$	122,618	\$	1,644,052
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$	8,881	\$	3,060	\$	11,941
Accrued wages and benefits	_	938,467	T	25,937	T	964,404
Compensated absences payable		12,606				12,606
Pension obligation payable		154,002		9,830		163,832
Intergovernmental payable		59,135		5,189		64,324
Due to other funds		-		6,866		6,866
Deferred revenue		1,412		<u> </u>		1,412
Total liabilities		1,174,503		50,882		1,225,385
Fund Balances:						
Reserved for encumbrances		5,178		2,532		7,710
General fund		341,753		_		341,753
Special revenue funds		-		69,204		69,204
Total fund balances		346,931		71,736		418,667
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	1,521,434	\$	122,618	\$	1,644,052

RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2008

Total governmental fund balances		\$ 418,667
Amounts reported for governmental activities on 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.		236,033
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current- period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. Accrued interest	\$ 1,412	
Total		1,412
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. Compensated absences Capital lease obligation	 420,418 73,672	
Total		 (494,090)
Net assets of governmental activities		\$ 162,022

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Ge	eneral	Other vernmental Funds	Go	Total vernmental Funds
Revenues:			 		1 01100
From local sources:					
Tuition	\$	7,193,221	\$ 159,570	\$	7,352,791
Charges for services		-	30,658		30,658
Earnings on investments		42,828	-		42,828
Transportation fees		-	85,445		85,445
Classroom materials and fees		-	1,694		1,694
Other local revenues		144,050	7,580		151,630
Intergovernmental - Intermediate		13,200	9,337		22,537
Intergovernmental - State		1,266,201	414,800		1,681,001
Intergovernmental - Federal		-	138,052		138,052
Total revenues		8,659,500	 847,136		9,506,636
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular		93,771	216,221		309,992
Special		2,486,063	78,638		2,564,701
Adult		-	23,928		23,928
Support services:					
Pupil		2,241,482	119,485		2,360,967
Instructional staff		2,332,909	64,183		2,397,092
Board of education		28,894	-		28,894
Administration		1,128,577	31,032		1,159,609
Fiscal		338,457	25,668		364,125
Business		9,330	-		9,330
Operations and maintenance		22,930	-		22,930
Pupil transportation		7,078	209,914		216,992
Central		6,301	-		6,301
Operation of non-instructional services:					
Food service operations		-	66,668		66,668
Extracurricular activities		199	-		199
Debt service:					
Principal retirement		19,559	534		20,093
Interest and fiscal charges		6,596	179		6,775
Total expenditures		8,722,146	 836,450		9,558,596
Net change in fund balances		(62,646)	10,686		(51,960)
Fund balances at beginning of year		409,577	 61,050		470,627
Fund balances at end of year	\$	346,931	\$ 71,736	\$	418,667

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, 2008

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	(51,960)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation expense exceeds capital outlay in the current period.		
Capital asset additions Current year depreciation	\$ 36,735 (59,947)	
Total		(23,212)
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, disposals, trade-ins, and donations) is to decrease net assets.		(3,621)
Revenues in the statement of activities (earnings on investments) that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		408
Repayment of capital lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.		20,093
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		(34,846)
Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$	(93,138)

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS FIDUCIARY FUND JUNE 30, 2008

	Agency	
Assets: Due from other governments	\$	23,766
Total assets	\$	23,766
Liabilities:	\$	22,646
Intergovernmental payable		1,120
Total liabilities	\$	23,766

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER

The Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center (the "Center") is located in Urbana, Ohio, the Champaign County seat. The Center is a County Board of Education as defined by Section 3311.03 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Center operates under a Board of five elected members. The Center supplies supervisory, special education, administrative and other services to the Graham, Jefferson, Jonathan Alder, Madison Plains, West Liberty-Salem, Triad and London Local school districts and Urbana City School District and Mechanicsburg Exempted Village School District. The Center furnishes leadership and consulting services designed to strengthen these school districts in areas they are unable to finance or staff independently. The Center is staffed by 121 non-certified employees and 97 certified employees.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basic financial statements of the 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 Center also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statements and Interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, to its governmental activities provided they do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The 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 Center are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Center. For the Center, this includes general operations, tuition related services, and student related programs of the Center.

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

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

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

JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

Western Ohio Computer Organization

The Center is a participant in the Western Ohio Computer Organization (WOCO), which is a computer consortium. WOCO is an association of educational entities within the boundaries of Auglaize, Champaign, Hardin, Logan, Miami and Shelby counties. WOCO was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology (with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment) to administrative and instructional functions among member districts. This organization is governed by a board of directors consisting of 14 members; the superintendent of the fiscal agent Shelby County Educational Service Center, two superintendents from each county that is represented, one treasurer representative from the school districts, student services representative from the school districts, and a non-voting independent district representative. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the Board. Financial information can be obtained from Sonny Ivey, who serves as Director, at 129 East Court Street, Sidney Ohio 45365.

Metropolitan Educational Council

The Metropolitan Educational Council (MEC) is a purchasing cooperative made up of nearly 124 districts in 22 counties. The purpose of the cooperative is to obtain prices for quality merchandise and services commonly used by schools. All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges, of other assessments as established by the MEC. The governing board of MEC consists of one voting representative from each member district. To obtain financial information, write to the Metropolitan Educational Council. Elmo Kallner, who serves as Executive Director, 2100 Citygate Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43219.

Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association

The Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association (SOITA) is a not-for-profit corporation. The purpose of the corporation is to serve the education needs of the area through television programming for the advancement of educational programs. The Board of Trustees is elected from within the counties by the qualified members within the counties, i.e., Auglaize, Butler, Champaign, Clark, Clinton, Darke, Fayette, Greene, Hamilton, Logan, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, Shelby and Warren. Montgomery, Greene and Butler Counties elect two representatives per area. All others elect one representative per area. One at-large non-public representative is elected by the non-public school SOITA members from within the State assigned SOITA service area. One at-large higher education representative is elected by higher education SOITA members from within the State assigned SOITA service area. All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges, or other assessments as established by the SOITA. Upon dissolution, the net assets shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a State or local government, for a public purpose. Payments to SOITA are made from the general fund. To obtain financial information, write to the Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association, Steve Straus, who serves as Director, at 150 East Sixth Street, Franklin, Ohio 45005.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

Ohio ESC MAC Consortium

The Center is a participant in the Ohio ESC MAC Consortium (OEMC). OEMC was formed for the purpose of accessing Medicaid Reimbursements for Special Education. OEMC is a Consortium of seven educational service centers. The Consortium has entered into an agreement with Meccatech, Inc. to provide assistance in the form of software systems, consulting, advocacy, data collection, and data processing.

PUBLIC ENTITY PURCHASING POOL

Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program

The Center participates in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three-member Board of Directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the GRP. Each year, the participating schools ESC's pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the GRP. Financial information can be obtained from Steve Huzizko, Deputy Director of Management Services, at 8050 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43235. The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the Center by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is required to contribute to the "equity pooling fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Gates, McDonald & Company provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

Champaign, Delaware, Marion, Union Schools Insurance Consortium (CDMU)

CDMU sponsors self-insured medical plans for nine (9) school districts, educational service centers and Board of Education primarily within Champaign, Delaware, Marion and Union Counties. These plans are for active employees and their covered dependents. Amongst the nine (9) districts and service centers, there were three (3) plans/plan options offered to active employees and their dependents during the period under review. CDMU has contracted with Core Source for all administrative, claims processing, claims payment, and customer service at Core Source's Dublin, Ohio facility.

B. Fund Accounting

The 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.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

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. The following is the Center's major governmental fund:

<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.

Other governmental funds of the Center are used to account for all financial resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Proprietary funds are used to account for the Center's ongoing activities which are similar to those often found in the private sector. The Center has no proprietary funds.

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. The Center has no trust funds. The Center's only fiduciary fund is an agency fund. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The Center's agency fund accounts for monies due to other governments.

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 Center as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds.

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 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 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 Center are included on the statement of net assets.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the 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. 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.

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

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. 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 Center, available means expected to be received within sixty days of fiscal year-end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the Center receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, entitlements and donations.

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 Center must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the 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: interest, tuition, grants, and contract services.

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

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

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 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 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. Budgetary Process

Although not legally required, the Center adopts its budget for all funds. The budget includes the estimated resources and expenditures for each fund and consists of three parts; Part (A) includes entitlement funding from the State, Part (B) includes the cost of all other lawful expenditures of the Center (which are apportioned by the State Department of Education to each local board of education under the supervision of the Center), and Part (C) includes the adopted appropriation resolution.

In fiscal year 2004, the Center's requirement to file budgetary information with the Ohio Department of Education was eliminated. Even though the budgetary process for the Center was discretionary, the Center continued to have its Board approve appropriations and estimated resources. The Center's Board adopts an annual appropriation resolution, which is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level for all funds. Budgetary information for the general fund has been presented as supplementary information to the basic financial statements.

F. Cash and Investments

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

During fiscal year 2008, investments were limited to federal agency securities, negotiable certificates of deposit (CD's), and the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio). Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value, which is based on quoted market prices.

The Center has invested funds in STAR Ohio during fiscal 2008. 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 shares price which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2008.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund or by policy of the Board. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2008 amounted to \$42,828, which includes \$2,883 assigned from other 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 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 Center's investment account at year-end is provided in Note 4.

G. Capital Assets

General capital assets are those assets related to activities reported in the governmental funds. 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 retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Center maintains a capitalization policy of not capitalizing assets with a cost of less than \$500 and a useful life of less than one year. 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 Center does not possess infrastructure.

All reported capital assets 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
<u>Description</u>	Estimated Lives
Furniture and equipment	7 - 20 years
Vehicles	10 years

H. 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.

Receivables and payables resulting from loans from governmental funds to the agency fund are classified as "loans receivable/payable."

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

I. Flow-Through Grants

The Center is the primary recipient of grants which are passed through or spent on behalf of the local, exempted village, and city school districts. When the Center has a financial or administrative role in the grants, the grants are reported as revenues and instructional expenditures on the financial statements.

J. Compensated Absences

The Center reports compensated absences 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. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination (severance) payments. A liability for sick leave is accrued using the vesting method; i.e., the liability is based on the sick leave accumulated at June 30, 2008, by those employees who are currently eligible to receive termination (severance) payments, as well as those employees expected to become eligible in the future. For purposes of establishing a liability for sick leave on employees expected to become eligible to retire in the future, all employees with at least 10 years of service were considered expected to become eligible to retire in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16.

The total liability for vacation and sick leave payments has been calculated using pay rates in effect at June 30, 2008, 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, compensated absences are recognized as liabilities and expenditures as payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries are paid.

K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide 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 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. Capital leases are recognized on the fund financial statements when due.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

L. Fund Balance Reserves

The 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.

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. Net assets restricted for other purposes consist of monies restricted for the Latchkey fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

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

N. 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. At June 30, 2008, the District had no prepayments.

O. 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.

P. 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. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the basic financial statements.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

Q. 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 and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. The Center did not have any transactions that were considered a special item or extraordinary during 2008.

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

A. Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2008, the Center has implemented GASB Statement No. 45, "<u>Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions</u>", GASB Statement No. 48, "<u>Sales and Pledges of Receivables and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets and Future Revenues</u>" and GASB Statement No. 50, "<u>Pension Disclosures</u>".

GASB Statement No. 45 establishes uniform standards of financial reporting for other postemployment benefits and increases the usefulness and improves the faithfulness of representations in the financial reports. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 45 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Center; however, certain disclosures related to postemployment benefits (see Note 13) have been modified to conform to the new reporting requirements.

GASB Statement No. 48 establishes criteria to ascertain whether certain transactions should be regarded as sales or as collateralized borrowings, as well as disclosure requirements for future revenues that are pledged and sold. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 48 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Center.

GASB Statement No. 50 establishes standards that more closely align the financial reporting requirements for pensions with those of other postemployment benefits. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 50 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Center.

B. Deficit Fund Balances

Fund balances at June 30, 2008 included the following individual fund deficits:

Nonmajor funds	<u>Deficit</u>
Other grants	\$ 286
School bus driver training	49
Management information systems	39
Public school preschool	2,401
Data communication fund	133
Alternative schools	2,001
EHA preschool grant	2,379

The general fund is liable for any deficits in these funds and provides transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur. The deficit fund balances results from adjustments for accrued liabilities.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the 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 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 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 monies 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.

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.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

Protection of the 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 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.

A. Cash on Hand

At year-end, the Center had \$600 in undeposited cash on hand which is included on the financial statements of the Center as part of "equity in pooled cash and investments."

B. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At June 30, 2008, the carrying amount of all the Center deposits was \$839,713. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "<u>Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures</u>", as of June 30, 2008, \$795,909 of the Center's bank balance of \$906,835 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$110,926 was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the 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 Center. The Center has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Although the securities were held by the pledging institutions' trust department and all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the Center to a successful claim by the FDIC.

C. Investments

As of June 30, 2008, the Center had the following investments and maturities:

		Investment Maturities		
		6 months or	13 to 18	Greater than
Investment type	Fair Value	less	months	24 months
STAR Ohio	\$ 7,770	\$ 7,770	\$ -	\$ -
FHLB	50,016	-	-	50,016
FHLM	159,787	-	-	159,787
Negotiable CD's	298,016		103,868	194,148
Total	\$ 515,589	\$ 7,770	\$ 103,868	\$ 403,951

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

The weighted average maturity of investments is 2.59 years.

Interest Rate Risk: Interest rate risk arises potential purchasers of debt securities will not agree to pay face value for those securities if interest rates subsequently increase. As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates and according to State law, the Center's investment policy limits investment portfolio maturities to five years or less.

Credit Risk: STAR Ohio carries a rating of AAAm by Standard & Poor's. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard service rating. The District's investments in federal agency securities were rated AAA and Aaa by Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investor Services, respectively.

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Center will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The federal agency securities are exposed to custodial credit risk in that they are uninsured, unregistered and held by the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the Center's name. The 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.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The 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 Center at June 30, 2008:

<u>Investment type</u>	Fair Va	alue 9	6 of Total
STAR Ohio	\$ 7,	770	1.50
FHLB	50,	016	9.67
FHLM	159,	787	31.24
Negotiable CD's	298,	016	57.59
Total	\$ 515,	589	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 note above to cash and investments as reported on the statement of net assets as of June 30, 2008:

Cash and investments per footnote		
Carrying amount of deposits	\$	839,713
Investments		515,589
Cash on hand	_	600
Total	\$ 1	1,355,902
Cash and investments per statement of net assets		
Governmental activities	\$ 1	1,355,902

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

A. At June 30, 2008, certain funds had negative cash balances. These fund overdrafts have been reported as loans. Loans between governmental funds and the agency fund are reported as "loans receivable/payable" on the financial statements. The Center had the following loan outstanding at fiscal year end:

Loan from	Loan to	Amount
General	Agency	\$ 22,646

B. Due to/from other funds consisted of the following at June 30, 2008, as reported on the fund statement:

Receivable fund	Payable fund	<u>A</u>	<u>mount</u>
General fund	Other governmental funds	\$	6,866

The amount due to the general fund is a result of negative cash at fiscal year-end. Interfund loans between governmental funds will be eliminated on the government-wide statements.

NOTE 6 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2008 consisted of accrued interest and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the stable condition of State programs and the current year guarantee of federal funds. A summary of the items of receivables reported on the statement of net assets follows:

Governmental activities:

Accrued interest	\$	1,785
Intergovernmental	_	256,853
Total	\$	258,638

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, 2008

NOTE 7 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	06/30/07	06/30/07 Additions		06/30/08
Governmental activities				
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Furniture and equipment	\$ 521,176	\$ 36,735	\$ -	\$ 557,911
Vehicles	56,804		(3,812)	52,992
Total capital assets, being depreciated	577,980	36,735	(3,812)	610,903
Less: accumulated depreciation				
Furniture and equipment	(292,442)	(56,447)	-	(348,889)
Vehicles	(22,672)	(3,500)	191	(25,981)
Total accumulated depreciation	(315,114)	(59,947)	191	(374,870)
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 262,866	\$ (23,212)	\$ (3,621)	\$ 236,033
Depreciation expense was charged to gover	nmental func	tions as follo	ows:	
Instruction:				
Regular		\$	3,105	
Special			15,361	
Adult			130	
Support services:				
Pupil			3,661	
Instructional staff			3,170	
Board of education			345	
Administration			30,411	
Fiscal			1,304	
Operations and maintenance			889	
Pupil transportation		_	1,571	
Total depreciation expense		\$	59,947	

NOTE 8 - CAPITAL LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE

The Center has entered into capital lease agreements for copiers. These leases meet the criteria of a capital lease as defined by FASB Statement No. 13, "Accounting for Leases", which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee at the conclusion of the lease term. Capital lease payments have been reclassified and are reflected as debt service expenditures on the fund financial statements. These expenditures are reported as function expenditures on the budgetary statement.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 8 - CAPITAL LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE - (Continued)

General capital assets acquired by lease have been capitalized in the amount of \$170,277, which is equal to the present value of the future minimum payments as of the date of their inception. Accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2008 was \$41,784 leaving a current book value of \$128,493. A corresponding liability was recorded and is presented as a component of long-term liabilities on the statement of net assets. Principal payments in fiscal year 2008 totaled \$19,559 paid by the general fund and \$534 paid by the school bus driver training fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments required under the capital leases and the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2008:

Fiscal Year	
Ending June 30,	Equipment
2009	\$ 26,869
2010	22,588
2011	22,586
2012	12,465
Total future minimum lease payments	84,508
Less: Amount representing interest	(10,836)
Present value of future minimum lease payment	<u>\$ 73,672</u>

NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

During fiscal year 2008, the following activity occurred in governmental activities long-term obligations:

Governmental activities:	Balance Outstanding _06/30/07	Additions	Reductions	Balance Outstanding _06/30/08	Amounts Due in One Year
Compensated absences Capital lease	\$ 396,816 93,765	\$ 81,341 	\$ (45,133) (20,093)	\$ 433,024 73,672	\$ 44,186 21,761
Total long-term obligations, governmental activities	\$ 490,581	\$ 81,341	\$ (65,226)	\$ 506,696	\$ 65,947

Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employee is paid, which for the Center, is primarily the general fund. See Note 8 for detail on the capital lease obligation.

NOTE 10 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave components are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. All twelve month employees earn ten to twenty days of vacation per fiscal year, depending upon length of service. Vacation time does not carry beyond the contract year in which it is earned. Accumulated unused vacation time is paid to twelve month employees upon termination of employment. Teachers do not earn vacation time.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 10 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES - (Continued)

Teachers, administrators, and classified employees earn sick leave at a rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of two hundred days. Upon retirement, employees with five to ten years of service are paid for one-fifth of accrued, but unused sick leave credit to a maximum of forty days, and employees with over ten years of service are paid for one-fourth of accrued, but unused sick leave credit to a maximum of fifty days.

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Comprehensive

The Center is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2008, the Center contracted for the following insurance coverages:

Coverages provided by Harcum Administrative Services, LLC are as follows:

Automobile liability	\$1,000,000
General liability	
Per occurrence	1,000,000
Aggregate	3,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years, and there has been no significant reduction in coverage from the prior fiscal year.

B. Health Care Benefits

The Center provides health insurance, prescription drug benefits, and dental insurance through CoreSource. Vision insurance is provided through Vision Service Plan and life insurance through Fort Dearborn Life. Insurance premiums vary with each employee depending on marital and family status.

C. Workers' Compensation

The Center participates in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (see Note 2.A.). The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three-member Board of Directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect and the Immediate Past President of the Ohio School Boards Association. The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the GRP. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the GRP.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)

The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the Center by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the GRP. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "equity pooling fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement ensures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Gates McDonald & Co. provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

NOTE 12 - PENSION PLANS

A. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The 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. It is also posted on the SERS' Ohio website, www.ohsers.org, under *Forms and Publications*.

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Center is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current Center rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the Center's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits. For fiscal year 2008, 9.16 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 by the SERS' Retirement Board up to a statutory maximum amount of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. The Center's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$188,169, \$180,743 and \$168,842, respectively, 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006.

B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

Plan Description - The Center participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement plan. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Ohio Web site at www.strsoh.org.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 12 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

New members have a choice of three retirement plans, a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on a member's lifetime contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal. The Combined Plan offers features of both the DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The DB portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60; the DC portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

Funding Policy - For fiscal year 2008, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Center was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The Center's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$548,584, \$520,483 and \$503,920, respectively, 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2008 were \$13,304 made by the Center and \$40,514 made by the plan members.

C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the SERS/STRS Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the SERS/STRS Ohio. As of June 30, 2008, certain members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The Center's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 13 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The Center participates in two cost-sharing, multiple employer postemployment benefit plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System (SERS) for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries, a Health Care Plan and a Medicare Part B Plan. The Health Care Plan includes hospitalization and physicians' fees through several types of plans including HMO's, PPO's and traditional indemnity plans as well as a prescription drug program. The Medicare Part B Plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries up to a statutory limit. Benefit provisions and the obligations to contribute are established by the System based on authority granted by State statute. The financial reports of both Plans are included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which is available by contacting SERS at 300 East Broad St., Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746.

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401h. For 2008, 4.18 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined amount; for 2008, this amount was \$35,800.

Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Retirees and their beneficiaries are required to pay a health care premium that varies depending on the plan selected, the number of qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility and retirement status.

The Center's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$113,647, \$85,004 and \$83,573, respectively, 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For fiscal year 2008, this actuarially required allocation was 0.66 percent of covered payroll. The Center's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$13,558, \$12,290 and \$13,438, respectively, 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006.

B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

Plan Description - The Center contributes to the cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan (the "Plan") administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS Ohio. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS Ohio which may be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 13 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)

Funding Policy - Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For 2008, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The Center's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$42,199, \$40,037 and \$38,763, respectively, 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006.

NOTE 14 - CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The 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 Center. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material effect on the financial position of the Center.

B. Litigation

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

NOTE 15 - STATE FUNDING

The Center is funded by the State Board of Education from State funds for the cost of Part (A) of the budget.

Part (B) of the budget is funded in the following way: \$6.50 times the Average Daily Membership (ADM-the total number of pupils under the Center's supervision) is apportioned by the State Board of Education from the participating school districts to which the Center provides services from payments made under the State's foundation program. Simultaneously, \$37.00 times the sum of the ADM is paid by the State Board of Education from State funds to the Center.

If additional funding is required and if a majority of the boards of education of the participating school districts approve, the cost of Part (B) of the budget that is in excess of \$43.50 times ADM approved by the State Board of Education is apportioned to the participating school districts through reductions in their State foundation. The State Board of Education initiates and supervises the procedure by which the participating boards approve or disapprove the apportionment.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Budgeted Amounts						Variance with Final Budget Positive	
		Original	Final			Actual	(Negative)	
Revenues:				_		_		
From local sources:								
Tuition	\$	7,212,632	\$	7,258,843	\$	7,020,315	\$	(238,528)
Earnings on investments		44,713		45,000		57,679		12,679
Other local revenues		91,315		91,900		143,743		51,843
Intergovernmental - Intermediate		18,904		19,026		32,226		13,200
Intergovernmental - State		1,256,965		1,265,018		1,266,201		1,183
Total revenues		8,624,529		8,679,787		8,520,164		(159,623)
Expenditures:								
Current:								
Instruction:								
Regular		106,222		104,915		94,479		10,436
Special		2,514,471		2,483,526		2,477,498		6,028
Support services:								
Pupil		2,167,311		2,140,638		2,186,805		(46,167)
Instructional staff		2,344,324		2,315,473		2,317,922		(2,449)
Board of education		40,897		40,394		28,900		11,494
Administration		1,222,593		1,207,547		1,136,074		71,473
Fiscal		336,560		332,418		332,090		328
Business		9,378		9,262		9,672		(410)
Operations and maintenance		22,754		22,474		22,930		(456)
Pupil transportation		7,243		7,154		7,028		126
Central		6,901		6,816		5,934		882
Extracurricular activities		506		500		199		301
Total expenditures		8,779,160		8,671,117	-	8,619,531		51,586
Net change in fund balance		(154,631)		8,670		(99,367)		(108,037)
Fund balance at beginning of year		1,356,482		1,356,482		1,356,482		-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated		10,555		10,555		10,555		-
Fund balance at end of year	\$	1,212,406	\$	1,375,707	\$	1,267,670	\$	(108,037)

BUDGETARY NOTES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 1 - BUDGETARY PROCESS

The Center is not required under State statute to file budgetary information with the State Department of Education. However, the Center's Board does follow the budgetary process for control purposes.

The Center's Board budgets for resources estimated to be received during the fiscal year. The estimated revenues may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts of the estimated revenues when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts of the estimated revenues in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Board.

The Center's Board adopts an annual appropriation resolution, which is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures at the level of control selected by the Board. The level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level for all funds. The Treasurer has been authorized to allocate appropriations to the function and object level within all funds.

Throughout the fiscal year, appropriations may be amended or supplemented as circumstances warrant. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the first appropriation resolution for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior fiscal years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

NOTE 2 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While the Center is reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balances on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance - budget and actual (budget basis) - for the general 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 GAAP basis are that:

- 1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis);
- 2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis);
- 3. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (GAAP basis);
- 4. Advances In and Advance Out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).

BUDGETARY NOTES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - (Continued)

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP and budgetary basis statements for the general fund:

	<u>General</u>
Budget basis	\$ (99,367)
Net adjustment for revenue accruals	139,336
Net adjustment for expenditure accruals	(116,536)
Adjustment for encumbrances	13,921
GAAP basis	\$ (62,646)



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Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

Governing Board Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center 1512 S. U.S. Highway 68, Suite J100 Urbana, Ohio 43078

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, its major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center, Champaign County, Ohio, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 26, 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 Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Madison-Champaign Educational Service 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 Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center'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 Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center'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 Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center.

Our consideration of the 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.

Governing Board Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Madison-Champaign Educational Service 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*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management and Governing Board of Madison-Champaign Educational Service Center and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2008

Finding	Finding	Fully	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; Explain:
<u>Number</u>	<u>Summary</u>	<u>Corrected</u> ?	
2007-MCESC-001	Significant Deficiency: Misstated financial statements due to not properly recording preschool expenditures in their respective funds.	Yes	N/A



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

MADISON CHAMPAIGN EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED

DECEMBER 24, 2008