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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Knox County Career Center, Knox County, prepared by Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. 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 Knox County Career Center is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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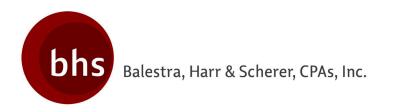
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### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Members of the Board Knox County Career Center 306 Martinsburg Road Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Knox County Career Center (the Career Center), Knox County, Ohio, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, which collectively comprise the Career Center's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Career Center's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Career Center, as of June 30, 2009, and the respective changes in financial position thereof, and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund and the Adult Education Fund, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 29, 2009 on our consideration of the Career Center's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 3 through 11 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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We conducted our audit to opine on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Career Center's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Federal Awards Receipts and Expenditures is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. We subjected the Schedule of Federal Awards Receipts and Expenditures to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements. In our opinion, this information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Balistra, Harr & Scherur

Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc. December 29, 2009

## Knox County Career Center Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009 Unaudited

It is a privilege to present to you the financial picture of the Knox County Career Center. This discussion and analysis of the Center's financial performance provides an overall review of the Center's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Center's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Center's financial performance.

## Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for the 2009 fiscal year are as follows:

The Center had nearly completed the Ohio School Facilities Commission project at June 30, 2009. The Ohio School Facilities Commission contributed seventy-five percent of the funding and the Center's share was twenty-five percent.

The 15,000 square foot addition to the building includes a chef and catering lab and classroom, kitchen and cafeteria, and also an addition to the existing metal fabrication lab. The addition included much needed updated equipment for each of the aforementioned labs.

The project also provided major renovations to the existing building. The Center installed a new heating, ventilation and cooling system, as well as all new electrical, plumbing, technology and security systems. All new furniture was purchased for all the classrooms and offices. The building has been updated with new flooring, paint for the walls and new ceiling tiles.

Funded separately through a Locally Funded Initiative, the administrative, board and preschool areas of the building were also able to be renovated.

## **Using this Financial Report**

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 non-major funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the Center, the general fund is by far the most significant 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 fiscal year 2009?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include *all non-fiduciary assets* and *liabilities* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. Accrual accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

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 not. Non-financial factors include the Center's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, the Center's performance, required educational programs, demographic and socioeconomic factors, the willingness of the community to support the Center and other factors. On the other hand, financial factors may include the Center's financial position, liquidity and solvency, fiscal capacity and risk and exposure.

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, the Center has one type of activity:

Governmental Activities – Most of the Center's programs and services are reported here including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, operation of non-instructional services, operation of food service and extracurricular activities.

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

## Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the Center's major governmental funds begins on page 8. 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 major governmental funds are the general fund, adult education special revenue fund and Ohio School Facilities capital projects fund.

*Governmental Funds* Most of the Center's activities are reported in governmental funds that focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using the *modified accrual* accounting method that measures cash and all other *financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund 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 financial statements.

*Proprietary Funds* The Center maintains a proprietary fund. Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the Center's various functions. The Center's internal service fund accounts for dental and vision self-insurance.

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*Fiduciary Funds* Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the Center. Fiduciary funds are not reflected on the government-wide financial statements because the resources from those funds are not available to support the Center's programs. These funds use the accrual basis of accounting.

## The Center as a Whole

You may recall that the Statement of Net Assets provides the perspective of the Center as a whole. Table 1 provides a comparison of the Center's Net Assets for fiscal year 2009 compared to 2008:

## Table 1 Net Assets Governmental Activities

	2009	2008	Change
Assets			
Current and Other Assets	\$19,338,082	\$28,595,608	(\$9,257,526)
Capital Assets, Net	20,359,618	11,457,906	8,901,712
Total Assets	39,697,700	40,053,514	(355,814)
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities	3,608,608	4,801,526	(1,192,918)
Long-Term Liabilities:			
Due Within One Year	291,356	262,171	29,185
Due in More Than One Year	4,823,215	4,973,380	(150,165)
Total Liabilities	8,723,179	10,037,077	(1,313,898)
Net Assets			
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	15,667,216	6,562,411	9,104,805
Restricted	3,315,925	12,986,033	(9,670,108)
Unrestricted	11,991,380	10,467,993	1,523,387
Total Net Assets	\$30,974,521	\$30,016,437	\$958,084

Total assets of governmental activities decreased \$355,814. Current assets decreased due to the Center spending cash related to the Ohio School Facilities construction project. Correspondingly, capital assets largely increased due to the addition to and renovation of the Career Center.

Total liabilities of governmental activities decreased \$1,313,898. The Center had a decrease in current liabilities largely due to payables associated with the Ohio School Facilities project in 2008, which did not exist at the end of fiscal year 2009.

By comparing assets and liabilities, one can see the overall position of the Center has improved as evidenced by the increase in net assets of \$958,084.

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Table 2 shows the changes in net assets for fiscal year 2009 and 2008:

## Table 2 **Changes in Net Assets Governmental Activities**

	2009	2008	Change
Revenues			
Program Revenues:			
Charges for Services	\$1,565,018	\$1,602,609	(\$37,591)
Operating Grants and Contributions	808,698	841,085	(32,387)
Total Program Revenues	2,373,716	2,443,694	(69,978)
General Revenues:			
Property Taxes	4,285,862	2,922,019	1,363,843
Intergovernmental	5,728,232	5,374,462	353,770
Investment Earnings	494,083	947,548	(453,465)
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	86,018	140,275	(54,257)
Miscellaneous	19,420	22,397	(2,977)
Total General Revenues	10,613,615	9,406,701	1,206,914
Total Revenues	12,987,331	11,850,395	1,136,936
Program Expenses			
Instruction:			
Regular	226,318	205,725	(20,593)
Vocational	5,962,920	4,973,353	(989,567)
Adult/Continuing	1,296,673	1,332,473	35,800
Support Services:			
Pupil	592,266	538,910	(53,356)
Instructional Staff	780,464	726,236	(54,228)
Board of Education	15,603	14,364	(1,239)
Administration	898,460	838,003	(60,457)
Fiscal	439,686	397,258	(42,428)
Business	52,663	55,361	2,698
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,231,914	1,132,216	(99,698)
Central	15,473	27,227	11,754
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	241,057	212,913	(28,144)
Extracurricular Activities	38,346	39,468	1,122
Interest and Fiscal Charges	237,404	247,200	9,796
Total Program Expenses	12,029,247	10,740,707	(1,288,540)
Increase in Net Assets	958,084	1,109,688	(151,604)
Net Assets Beginning of Year	30,016,437	28,906,749	1,109,688
Net Assets End of Year	\$30,974,521	\$30,016,437	\$958,084

## **Governmental Activities**

Net assets of the Center's governmental activities increased by \$958,084 in fiscal year 2009. Program revenues of \$2,373,716 and general revenues of \$10,613,615 offset total governmental expenses of \$12,029,247. Program revenues supported 19.7 percent of the total governmental expenses.

The primary sources of revenue for the Center are derived from property taxes and State foundation payments. Property tax revenue increased significantly over fiscal year 2008. This was due to a much larger amount available as an advance from the County Auditor in fiscal year 2009 than in 2008. This difference was due to the timing and collection of taxes.

A State law, enacted in 1976, does not allow for revenue increases caused by inflationary growth of real property. Increases in valuation prompt corresponding annual reductions in the "effective millage," the tax rates applied to real property. The Center operates on voted millage of 6.4 mills. The reduced or effective millage in fiscal year 2009 was 2.344 mills for Residential/Agricultural property and 4.098 mills for other property. The following table illustrates the rate of growth in property values in the past ten years which has positively impacted the Center:

Year	Total	Growth
Ending	Valuation	Rate
2009	\$1,295,216,970	4.39%
2008	1,240,746,314	-0.37%
2007	1,245,383,245	0.44%
2006	1,239,905,663	9.94%
2005	1,127,776,599	2.01%
2004	1,105,520,322	1.80%
2003	1,086,017,526	13.46%
2002	957,180,259	-1.73%
2001	974,052,771	4.90%
2000	928,549,400	18.23%

The average rate of growth over the last 10 years is 5.31 percent.

In recent years, support from the State in terms of foundation increases, the implementation of weighted funding for special education students and career-tech students, and ADM funding for career technical students has combined to increase the financial condition of the Center. State support for educational programs has averaged an increase of 7 percent over the last three years. This increase is largely due to increased enrollment at the Center. However, as the State of Ohio faces a difficult economic time, the Center has been capped at a .75 percent increase for fiscal year 2010 and according to the biennial budget, will receive the same increase for fiscal year 2011. The State is also exploring a new funding model and a task force has been created to implement the new model for the career centers.

Program revenues covered 19.7 percent of program expenses overall. The remaining 80.3 percent is supported through tax revenues and other general revenues. In fiscal year 2009, however, revenues totaled 108 percent of expenses resulting in an increase in net assets of \$958,084.

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

	Total Cost of Services 2009	Net Cost of Services 2009	Total Cost of Services 2008	Net Cost of Services 2008
Governmental Activities:				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$226,318	\$64,818	\$205,725	(\$5,794)
Vocational	5,962,920	5,530,424	4,973,353	4,526,314
Adult/Continuing	1,296,673	(112,125)	1,332,473	(155,902)
Support Services:				
Pupil	592,266	592,266	538,910	538,910
Instructional Staff	780,464	676,311	726,236	647,032
Board of Education	15,603	15,603	14,364	14,364
Administration	898,460	898,460	838,003	838,003
Fiscal	439,686	439,686	397,258	397,258
Business	52,663	52,663	55,361	55,361
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,231,914	1,183,636	1,132,216	1,132,216
Central	15,473	10,473	27,227	22,227
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	241,057	27,566	212,913	356
Extracurricular Activities	38,346	38,346	39,468	39,468
Interest and Fiscal Charges	237,404	237,404	247,200	247,200
Total	\$12,029,247	\$9,655,531	\$10,740,707	\$8,297,013

As one can see, the reliance upon local tax revenues for the governmental activities is crucial. 35.6 percent of expenses are directly supported by local property taxes. Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs support 47.6 percent while investments and other miscellaneous type revenues support the remaining activity costs.

## The Center's Funds

The Center's governmental funds (as presented on the balance sheet on page 14) reported total fund balance of \$15,376,057, a decrease of \$7,232,317 from fiscal year 2008.

## **General Fund**

The general fund balance increased by \$1,544,166 in fiscal year 2009.

## **Ohio School Facilities Project Fund**

The largest decrease in fund balance is due to the Ohio School Facilities Project Fund. This fund is used to account for revenue and expenses related to the addition and renovation of the existing building. The fund balance decreased due to spending down cash in the fund to complete the addition to and renovation of the Center.

## **Budgeting Highlights**

The Center's appropriations are prepared according to Ohio law and are based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. In fiscal year 2009 all funds were appropriated at the fund level.

In fiscal year 2009, the Center adopted its appropriations prior to October 1, 2008 and amended those appropriations several times prior to fiscal year end. For the general fund, final amended estimated revenues were \$9,715,985, the same as original estimated revenues.

General fund original appropriations of \$9,432,746 were increased to \$9,471,873 in the final appropriation measure. This increase in the general fund appropriations was due mainly to an increase in consumer services.

## **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

## Capital Assets

The following table shows fiscal 2009 balances compared to 2008.

(Net of Accumulated Depreciation)				
	Governmental Activities			
	2009 2008			
Land	\$40,564	\$40,564		
Construction in Progress	0	5,186,919		
Buildings and Improvements	s 18,655,778 5,153,554			
Furniture, Fixtures				
and Equipment	1,624,035	1,025,500		
Vehicles	39,241	51,369		
Total Capital Assets	\$20,359,618	\$11,457,906		

# Table 4Capital Assets at June 30(Net of Accumulated Depreciation)

Capital Assets net of depreciation increased by \$8,901,712 overall. The increase was mainly due to the completion of the Ohio School Facilities Project.

The Center's capitalization threshold for capital assets was set at \$500. For additional information on capital assets, see Note 9 to the basic financial statements.

## Debt

At June 30, 2009 the Center had \$4,692,402 in bonds, loans and capital leases outstanding with \$211,742 due in one year. Table 5 summarizes bonds outstanding for fiscal year 2009 compared to fiscal year 2008.

## Table 5Outstanding Debt, Governmental Activities at Year End

Purpose	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Energy Conservation Bonds	\$131,316	\$154,036
Capital Leases	29,086	40,459
School Facilities Loan	4,532,000	4,701,000

For additional information on long-term obligations, see Notes 14 and 15 to the basic financial statements.

## **Challenges and Opportunities**

The vision of the Knox County Career Center is, in conjunction with the community, to be the leading workforce provider by developing prepared workers who are civic-minded and who will engage in continuous learning. Through progressive curriculum and dynamic hands-on learning, Knox County Career Center challenges each student to develop lifelong skills that relate to the leadership and teamwork necessary in their future careers and community roles. Knox County Career Center establishes a relationship with staff, students, parents and community businesses that allows all learners to reach their full potential.

The mission of the Knox County Career Center is, in partnership with the community, to provide an educational environment in which all students can establish goals and develop progressive career pathways while learning to be contributing citizens of the changing world. The mission will be accomplished by creating a safe learning environment that emphasizes the lifelong skills and knowledge necessary to continue learning, communicate clearly, solve problems, use information and technology effectively, enjoy productive employment, appreciate aesthetics, and meet their obligations as citizens in a democratic and global society.

The adult education program shall assist individuals and companies in their efforts to develop leadership, build new skills, upgrade skills, keep abreast of technological developments and to develop competencies in areas of need and workforce development and personal interest.

In order to meet the goals mentioned above, it is imperative that the Center's management and staff continue to carefully and prudently plan in order to provide the resources and education required to meet student needs over the next several years.

The Center is taking steps to offer two new programs to incoming students in the next fiscal year. The Sports Medicine Program will provide the opportunity for students to explore potential careers such as personal/fitness trainer, athletic training, physical therapy, massotherapy, occupational therapy, exercise physiology and physical education. The Early Childhood Program will give students the skills needed to care for and work with pre-school aged students.

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

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors 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 Tracy L. Elliott, Treasurer, Knox County Career Center, 306 Martinsburg Road, Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050. You may also contact the Treasurer by phone at (740) 397-5820, extension 2257, or by e-mail at tracy e@treca.org.

## Statement of Net Assets June 30, 2009

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$15,825,137
Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal Agents	133,087
Accounts Receivable	22,353
Intergovernmental Receivable	18,025
Accrued Interest Receivable	33,517
Prepaid Items	894
Inventory Held for Resale	6,581
Materials and Supplies Inventory	19,563
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes Receivable	18,769
Property Taxes Receivable	3,260,156
Nondepreciable Capital Assets	40,564
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	20,319,054
Total Assets	39,697,700
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	43,267
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	733,415
Contracts Payable	741,379
Retainage Payable	133,087
Intergovernmental Payable	140,725
Accrued Interest Payable	3,198
Deferred Revenue	1,809,684
Claims Payable	3,853
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	291,356
Due In More Than One Year	4,823,215
Total Liabilities	8,723,179
Net Assets	
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	15,667,216
Restricted for Capital Outlay	2,618,143
Restricted for Other Purposes	697,782
Unrestricted	11,991,380
Total Net Assets	\$30,974,521

Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009

		Prograr	n Revenues	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:	Expenses	Berriees	und Contributions	100101005
nstruction:				
Regular	\$226,318	\$0	\$161,500	(\$64,818)
Vocational	5,962,920	185,277	247,219	(5,530,424)
Adult/Continuing	1,296,673	1,234,221	174,577	112,125
Support Services:				
Pupil	592,266	0	0	(592,266)
Instructional Staff	780,464	19,282	84,871	(676,311)
Board of Education	15,603	0	0	(15,603)
Administration	898,460	0	0	(898,460)
Fiscal	439,686	0	0	(439,686)
Business	52,663	0	0	(52,663)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,231,914	0	48,278	(1,183,636)
Central	15,473	0	5,000	(10,473)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	241,057	126,238	87,253	(27,566)
Extracurricular Activities	38,346	0	0	(38,346)
nterest and Fiscal Charges	237,404	0	0	(237,404)
Fotal Governmental Activities	\$12,029,247	\$1,565,018	\$808,698	(9,655,531)

Property Taxes Levied for	
General Purposes	4,285,862
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted	
to Specific Programs	5,728,232
Investment Earnings	494,083
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	86,018
Miscellaneous	19,420
Total General Revenues	10,613,615
Change in Net Assets	958,084
Net Assets Beginning of Year	30,016,437
Net Assets End of Year	\$30,974,521

## Knox County Career Center Balance Sheet Governmental Funds

June 30, 2009

	General	Adult Education	Ohio School Facilities Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets					
Equity in Pooled Cash and					
Cash Equivalents	\$11,670,877	\$55,050	\$2,653,245	\$1,408,498	\$15,787,670
Cash and Cash Equivalents					
with Fiscal Agents	0	0	133,087	0	133,087
Accounts Receivable	3,403	5,700	0	13,250	22,353
Interfund Receivable	67,000	0	0	0	67,000
Intergovernmental Receivable	7,241	0	8,646	2,138	18,025
Accrued Interest Receivable	33,517	0	0	0	33,517
Prepaid Items	0	0	0	894	894
Inventory Held for Resale	0	0	0	6,581	6,581
Materials and Supplies Inventory	19,563	0	0	0	19,563
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes Receivable	18,769	0	0	0	18,769
Taxes Receivable	3,260,156	0	0	0	3,260,156
Total Assets	\$15,080,526	\$60,750	\$2,794,978	\$1,431,361	\$19,367,615
Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	\$35,239	\$2,406	\$2,080	\$2,796	\$42,521
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	626,217	73,411	0	33,787	733,415
Contracts Payable	0	0	645,757	95,622	741,379
Retainage Payable	0	0	133,087	0	133,087
Intergovernmental Payable	110,710	13,915	0	16,100	140,725
Interfund Payable	0	60,000	0	7,000	67,000
Deferred Revenue	2,124,785	0	8,646	0	2,133,431
Total Liabilities	2,896,951	149,732	789,570	155,305	3,991,558
Fund Balances					
Reserved for Encumbrances	211,194	18,964	439,326	241,700	911,184
Reserved for Property Taxes	1,135,371	0	0	0	1,135,371
Unreserved, Undesignated, Reported in:					
General Fund	10,837,010	0	0	0	10,837,010
Special Revenue Funds (Deficit)	0	(107,946)	0	670,519	562,573
Capital Projects Funds	0	0	1,566,082	363,837	1,929,919
Total Fund Balances	12,183,575	(88,982)	2,005,408	1,276,056	15,376,057
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$15,080,526	\$60,750	\$2,794,978	\$1,431,361	\$19,367,615

## Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Assets of Governmental Activities June 30, 2009

Total Governmental Funds Balances		\$15,376,057
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		20,359,618
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds: Property Taxes Intergovernmental	315,101 	
Total		323,747
An internal service fund is used by management to charge the costs of insurance to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in governmental activities in the statement of net assets.		32,868
In the statement of activities interest is accrued on outstanding debt, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due.		(3,198)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds: Compensated Absences Capital Lease Energy Conservation Bonds School Facilities Loan	(422,169) (29,086) (131,316) (4,532,000)	
Total		(5,114,571)
Net Assets of Governmental Activities		\$30,974,521

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Blanaces Governmental Funds

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009

Revenues	General	Adult Education	Ohio School Facilities Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Property Taxes	\$4,198,587	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,198,587
Intergovernmental	5,728,232	174,427	694,359	560,619	7,157,637
Interest	385,077	0	98,370	10,636	494,083
Tuition and Fees	7,218	1,234,221	0	56,436	1,297,875
Rentals	20,347	0	0	0	20,347
Gifts and Donations	3,451	150	0	70,051	73,652
Customer Sales and Services	120,558	0	0	126,238	246,796
Payments on Lieu of Taxes	86,018	0	0	0	86,018
Miscellaneous	8,783	1,234	5,863	3,540	19,420
Total Revenues	10,558,271	1,410,032	798,592	827,520	13,594,415
Expenditures					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	74,041	0	0	147,417	221,458
Vocational	4,933,519	0	0	240,460	5,173,979
Adult/Continuing	0	1,226,016	0	40,041	1,266,057
Support Services:					
Pupil	505,674	0	0	57,658	563,332
Instructional Staff	540,263	114,587	0	75,655	730,505
Board of Education	15,603	0	0	0	15,603
Administration	556,953	297,406	0	11,096	865,455
Fiscal	404,453	0	0	5,676	410,129
Business	52,051	0	0	0	52,051
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,037,414	69	0	62,695	1,100,178
Central	10,473	0	0	5,000	15,473
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	0	0	0	218,657	218,657
Extracurricular Activities	38,346	0	0	0	38,346
Capital Outlay	0	0	9,369,756	345,529	9,715,285
Debt Service:	202.002	0	0	0	202.002
Principal Retirement	203,093	0	0	0	203,093
Interest and Fiscal Charges	237,957	0	0	0	237,957
Total Expenditures	8,609,840	1,638,078	9,369,756	1,209,884	20,827,558
Excess of Revenues Over					
(Under) Expenditures	1,948,431	(228,046)	(8,571,164)	(382,364)	(7,233,143)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	826	0	0	0	826
Transfers In	0	200,000	0	205,091	405,091
Transfers Out	(405,091)	0	0	0	(405,091)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(404,265)	200,000	0	205,091	826
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,544,166	(28,046)	(8,571,164)	(177,273)	(7,232,317)
Fund Balances (Deficit) Beginning of Year	10,639,409	(60,936)	10,576,572	1,453,329	22,608,374
Fund Balances (Deficit) End of Year	\$12,183,575	(\$88,982)	\$2,005,408	\$1,276,056	\$15,376,057

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

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 capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.         Capital Outlay       9,411,441         Current Year Depreciation       (459,051)         Total       8,952,39         Governmental funds only report the disposal of capital assets to the extent proceeds are received from the sale. In the statement of activities, a gain or losss is reported for each disposal. The difference is the net       (50,07)	
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book value of the disposed assets. (50,67	8)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide currentfinancial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.Delinquent Property Taxes87,275Intergovernmental(921,761)	
Total (834,48	6)
Repayments of energy conservation bonds, capital leases and the school facilities loan are an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayments reduce long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. 203,09	3
Some expenses, such as compensated absences, reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as exenditures in governmental funds. (82,11)	3)
In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding debt, whereas in governmental funds an interest expenditure is reported when due. 55	3
The internal service fund used by management to charge the cost of insurance to individual funds is not reported in the entity-wide statement of activities. Governmental fund and related internal service fund revenue is eliminated. The net revenue (expense) of the internal service fund is allocated among the governmental activities.	-2
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities \$958,08	4

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual General Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Total Revenues and Other Sources	\$9,715,985	\$9,715,985	\$9,527,627	(\$188,358)
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	9,432,746	9,471,873	9,255,198	216,675
Net Change in Fund Balance	283,239	244,112	272,429	28,317
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	11,071,097	11,071,097	11,071,097	0
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	63,240	63,240	63,240	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$11,417,576	\$11,378,449	\$11,406,766	\$28,317

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual Adult Education Fund

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Total Revenues and Other Sources	\$1,852,000	\$1,852,000	\$1,680,527	(\$171,473)
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	1,741,784	1,795,727	1,671,020	124,707
Net Change in Fund Balance	110,216	56,273	9,507	(46,766)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	16,201	16,201	16,201	0
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	7,971	7,971	7,971	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$134,388	\$80,445	\$33,679	(\$46,766)

Statement of Net Assets Proprietary Fund Type June 30, 2009

	Governmental Activities
	Internal Service
Assets	
Current Assets	<b>ФОЛ 4</b> (Л
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$37,467
<b>Liabilities</b> Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	746
Claims Payable	3,853
Total Liabilities	4,599
Net Assets Unrestricted	\$32,868

## Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets Proprietary Fund Type For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009

	Governmental Activities	
	Internal Service	
Operating Revenues Charges for Services	\$72,225	
Operating Expenses	( (10	
Purchased Services Claims	6,618 63,965	
Total Operating Expenses	70,583	
Change in Net Assets	1,642	
Net Assets Beginning of Year	31,226	
Net Assets End of Year	\$32,868	

Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Fund Type For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009

	Governmental Activities
	Internal Service
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>	
Cash Received from Transactions with Other Funds	\$72,225
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(5,872)
Cash Payments for Claims	(68,087)
Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(1,734)
Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of Year	39,201
Cash and Cash Equivalents End of Year	\$37,467
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Used for Operating Activities:	
Operating Income	\$1,642
Adjustments:	
Increase in Accounts Payable	746
Decrease in Claims Payable	(4,122)
Net Cash Used for Operating Activities	(\$1,734)

Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets Fiduciary Funds June 30, 2009

	Private Purpose Trust Scholarship	Agency
Assets Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$16,535	\$29,364
Liabilities Due to Students		\$29,364
<b>Net Assets</b> Held in Trust for Scholarships	\$16,535	

Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets Private Purpose Trust Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009

	Private Purpose Trust
	Scholarship
Additions	
Gifts and Donations	\$150
Interest	234
Total Additions	384
Deductions	176
Payments in Accordance with Trust Agreements	176
Change in Net Assets	208
Net Assets Beginning of Year	16,327
Net Assets End of Year	\$16,535

## Note 1 - Description of the Center and Reporting Entity

The Knox County Career Center (the "Center") is a body politic and corporate established for the purpose of exercising the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the Constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Center is a joint vocational center as defined by Section 3311.18 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Center includes six member school districts spread throughout Coshocton, Delaware, Holmes, Knox, Licking, Morrow and Richland counties.

The Center is a jointly governed organization operating under a seven member board: three members are appointed by the Knox County Educational Service Center Board, three by the City of Mount Vernon School Board, and one by the Richland County Educational Service Center Board. Each Board member is elected to their home district and then appointed to the Center's board. The Center provides educational services as authorized by state statute and/or federal guidelines. The Center employs 71 certified employees and 25 non-certified employees who provide services to 651 students and other community members.

## **Reporting Entity**

A reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure that the basic financial statements are not misleading. The primary government of the Center consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the Center. For Knox County Career Center, this includes the agencies and departments that provide the following services: general operations, food service, preschool and student related activities 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; the Center is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or 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. The Center has no component units.

The Center participates in a jointly governed organization and two public entity risk pools. These organizations are the Tri-Rivers Educational Computer Association, the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program and the Ohio School Plan. These organizations are presented in Notes 17 and 18 to the basic financial statements.

## **Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The financial statements of the Center have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (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 and to its internal service fund unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. Following are the more significant of the Center's accounting policies.

## A. Basis of Presentation

The Center's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net assets and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

*Government-wide Financial Statements* 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 activity of the internal service fund is eliminated to avoid "doubling up" revenues and expenses. These statements usually distinguish between those activities of the Center that are governmental and those that are considered business-type. The Center, however, has no business-type activities.

The statement of net assets presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the Center at fiscal year-end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the Center's governmental activities. 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 charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program and interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the Center, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the Center.

*Fund Financial Statements* During the year, the Center segregates transactions related to certain Center functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Center at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. The internal service fund is presented in a single column on the face of the proprietary fund statements. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

## **B.** Fund Accounting

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

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

*General Fund* - 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 to the Center for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

*Adult Education Fund* – This fund is used to account for transactions made in connection with adult education classes.

*Ohio School Facilities Project Fund* – This fund is used to account for transactions made in connection with the Ohio School Facilities Project for both the State funded portion and locally funded portion.

The other governmental funds of the Center account for grants and other resources whose uses are restricted to a particular purpose.

**Proprietary Fund Type** Proprietary funds reporting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net assets, financial position and cash flows. Proprietary funds are classified as enterprise or internal service; the Center has no enterprise funds.

*Internal Service Fund* The internal service fund accounts for the financing of services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the Center on a cost reimbursement basis. The Center's only internal service fund is a self insurance fund that accounts for dental and vision claims of the Center's employees.

*Fiduciary Funds* Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net assets and changes in net assets. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds, and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the Center under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the Center's own programs. The Center's only trust fund is a private purpose trust which accounts for a college scholarship program for students. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The Center's agency funds account for student activities.

## C. Measurement Focus

*Government-wide Financial Statements* 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. The statement of activities presents increases (e.g. revenues) and decreases (e.g. expenses) in total net assets.

*Fund Financial Statements* All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, 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 reconciliations with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

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

The private purpose trust fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus.

## 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 and the statements presented for the proprietary and fiduciary funds are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred revenue and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

**Revenues - Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions** 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 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 property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (See Note 7). 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: property taxes available as an advance, grants, interest, tuition and student fees.

*Deferred Revenue* Deferred revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Property taxes for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2009, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2010 operations, have been recorded as deferred revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are also recorded as deferred revenue.

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

*Expenditures/Expenses* 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

All funds, other than agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the appropriation resolution and the certificate of estimated resources, which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amounts that the Board of Education may appropriate. The appropriation resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at a level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board of Education at the fund level. Budgetary modifications at this level require a resolution of the Board of Education.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original and final budgeted amounts in the budgetary statements reflect the amounts in the certificate when the original and final appropriations were adopted.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment by the Board throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations may not exceed estimated revenues. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried over from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

## F. Cash and Investments

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

During fiscal year 2009, investments were limited to federal home loan mortgage corporation bonds, federal home loan bank bonds, federal farm credit bank bonds, federal national mortgage association bonds and STAROhio.

Investments are reported at fair value which is based on quoted market prices.

STAROhio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAROhio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAROhio are valued at STAROhio's share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2009.

By Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2009 amounted to \$385,077, which includes \$26,955 assigned from other Center funds.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Center are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents.

## G. Inventory

Inventories are presented at cost on a first-in, first-out basis and are expended/expensed when used. Inventories consist of materials and supplies held for consumption and donated and purchased food.

## H. Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2009, are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of purchase and an expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which the services are consumed.

## I. Capital Assets

All capital assets of the Center are classified as general capital assets. 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 reductions during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Center maintains a capitalization threshold of five hundred dollars. The Center does not possess any infrastructure. 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 capitalized.

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

Description	Estimated Lives
Buildings and Improvements	50-100 years
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	5-25 years
Vehicles	10-15 years

## J. 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 of the statement of net assets.

## K. Compensated Absences

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The Center records a liability for all accumulated unused vacation time when earned for all employees with more than one year of service.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the termination method. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that benefits will result in termination payments. The liability is an estimate based on the Center's past experience of making termination payments.

## L. 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, claims and judgments, compensated absences, and contractually required pension contributions that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current year. Bonds are recognized as a liability on the governmental fund financial statements when due.

### M. Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists 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 adopted by the Center or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. Net assets restricted for other purposes include instructional activities and food service operations.

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

### N. 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 and property taxes.

The reserve for property taxes represents taxes recognized as revenue under generally accepted accounting principles but not available for appropriation under State statute.

### **O.** Internal Activities

Transfers between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements. Internal events that are allocations of overhead expenses from one function to another or within the same function are eliminated on the statement of activities. Interfund payments for services provided and used are not eliminated.

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 financial statements.

## P. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Board of Education and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence.

## Q. Estimates

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

## Note 3 – Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2009, the School District has implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) Statement No. 49, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pollution Remediation Obligations," Statement No. 52, "Land and Other Real Estate Held as Investments by Endowments", Statement No. 55, "The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments," and Statement No. 56, "Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in the AICPA Statements on Auditing Standards."

GASB Statement No. 49 addresses accounting and financial reporting standards for pollution (including contamination) remediation obligations, which are obligations to address the current or potential detrimental effect of existing pollution by participating in pollution remediation activities such as site assessments and cleanup. The implementation of this statement did not result in any change to the School District's financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 52 establishes consistent standards for the reporting of land and other real estate held as investments by essentially similar entities. It requires endowments to report their land and other real estate investments at fair value. Governments are also required to report the changes in fair value as investment income and to disclose the methods and significant assumptions employed to determine fair value. The implementation of this statement did not result in any change in the School District's financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 55 incorporates the hierarchy of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for state and local governments into the GASB authoritative literature. The GAAP hierarchy consists of the sources of accounting principles used in the preparation of financial statements of state and local governmental entities that are presented in conformity with GAAP, and the framework for selecting those principles. The implementation of this statement did not result in any change in the School District's financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 56 incorporates accounting and financial reporting guidance previously only contained in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' and auditing literature into the GASB's accounting and financial reporting literature for state and local governments. The statement's guidance addresses related party transactions, going concern considerations, and subsequent events from the AICPA literature. The implementation of this statement did not result in any change in the School District's financial statements.

# Note 4 – Compliance

Fund balances at June 30, 2009, included the following individual fund deficits:

Special Revenue Funds:	
Preschool Grant	\$10,419
Carl D. Perkins Grant	10,897
Miscellaneous Federal Grants	2,069
Adult Education	88,982
Adult Basic Literacy Education Grant	2,430

The special revenue deficit balances resulted from adjustments for accrued liabilities. The general fund is liable for any deficit in these funds and will provide transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur.

# Note 5 - Budgetary Basis of Accounting

While the Center is reporting its financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balance on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual presented for the general fund and major special revenue 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 (modified accrual) basis are as follows:

- 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 fund 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 advances out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).
- 5. Unrecorded cash represents amounts received but not included as revenue on the budgetary statements, but which are reported on the operating statements prepared using GAAP.
- 6. Investments are reported at fair value (GAAP basis) rather than cost (budget basis).

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The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statements to the budgetary basis statements for the general fund and the adult education major special revenue fund.

Adult
Education
)5 (\$28,046)
02) 10,495
03) 0
0 60,000
75) 0
0) 0
33) (21,371)
\$9,507

### Net Change in Fund Balance

# Note 6 - Deposits and Investments

Monies held by the Center are classified by State statute into three categories.

Active monies are public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the Center treasury. Active 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 moneys are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Interim monies held by the Center can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

- 1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, 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;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;

- 5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
- 6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1);
- 7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAROhio); and,
- 8. Commercial paper and bankers acceptances of training requirement have been met.

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. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions.

At year end, the Center had \$600 in undeposited cash on hand which is included as a part of "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents."

### Deposits

*Custodial Credit Risk* Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Center will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At fiscal year-end, \$7,235,757 of the Center's bank balance of \$8,084,756 was uninsured and uncollateralized. Although the securities were held by the pledging institution's 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.

The Center has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirement of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposit be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the Center or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured.

### Investments

As of June 30, 2009, the Center had the following investments. All investments are in an internal investment pool.

		Investment Maturities (in Years)		
	Fair Value	Less than 1	1-2	3-5
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Bonds	\$1,002,495	\$0	\$1,002,495	\$0
Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	2,017,660	0	2,017,660	0
Federal Farm Credit Bank Bonds	499,375	0	0	499,375
Federal National Mortgage Association Bonds	997,345		500,000	497,345
STAROhio	3,647,472	3,647,472	0	0
Total Investments	\$8,164,347	\$3,647,472	\$3,520,155	\$996,720

*Interest Rate Risk* The Center has no investment policy that addresses interest rate risk. State statute requires that an investment mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Center, and that an investment must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

*Credit Risk* The Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Bonds, Federal Farm Credit Bank Bonds and Federal National Mortgage Association Bonds carry a rating of AAA by Fitch. STAROhio carries a rating of AAAm by Standard and Poor's. Ohio law requires that STAROhio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service. The Center has no investment policy that addresses credit risk.

*Concentration of Credit Risk* The Center places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer. The following is the Center's allocation as of June 30, 2009:

	Percentage
	of Investments
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Bonds	12.3 %
Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	24.7
Federal Farm Credit Bank Bonds	6.1
Federal National Mortgage Association Bonds	12.2
STAROhio	44.7

# **Note 7 - Property Taxes**

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility and tangible personal property (used in business) located in the Center. Real property tax revenue received in calendar 2009 represents collections of calendar year 2008 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2009 were levied after April 1, 2008, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2008, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State law at thirty-five percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar 2009 represents collections of calendar year 2008 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2009 became a lien December 31, 2007, were levied after April 1, 2008 and are collected in 2009 with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at thirty-five percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

Tangible personal property tax revenue received during calendar 2009 (other than public utility property tax) represents the collection of 2009 taxes levied against local and inter-exchange telephone companies. Tangible personal property tax on business inventory, manufacturing machinery and equipment, and furniture and fixtures is no longer levied and collected. The October 2008 tangible personal property tax settlement was the last property tax settlement for general personal property taxes. Tangible personal property taxes received from telephone companies in calendar year 2009 were levied after October 1, 2008, on the value as of December 31,

2008. Payments by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due April 30; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20. Tangible personal property taxes paid by April 30 are usually received by the School District prior to June 30.

The Center receives property taxes from Coshocton, Delaware, Holmes, Knox, Licking, Morrow, and Richland Counties. The County Auditors periodically advance to the Center its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2009, are available to finance fiscal year 2008 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real property, public utility property and tangible personal property taxes which are measurable as of June 30, 2009 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount of real property taxes available as an advance at June 30 was levied to finance current fiscal year operations and is reported as revenue at fiscal year end. The portion of the receivable not levied to finance current fiscal year operations is offset by a credit to deferred revenue.

The amount available as an advance in the general fund was \$1,135,371 at June 30, 2009 and \$146,118 at June 30, 2008. The difference was due to timing and collection by the County Auditor.

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

	2008 First Half Collections		2009 Fi Half Collec	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Agricultural/Residential and Other Real Estate Public Utility Personal Tangible Personal Property	\$1,125,199,360 42,858,270 72,688,684	90.69 % 3.45 5.86	\$1,251,080,980 44,135,990 0	96.59 % 3.41 0.00
Total	\$1,240,746,314	100.00 %	\$1,295,216,970	100.00 %
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation	\$6.40		\$6.40	

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2009 taxes were collected are:

# Note 8 - Receivables

Receivables at June 30, 2009, consisted of taxes, accounts (customer services, student fees and insurance premiums), and intergovernmental grants. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs and the current fiscal year guarantee of Federal funds. All receivables except delinquent property taxes are expected to be collected within one year. Property taxes, although ultimately collectible, include some portion of delinquencies that will not be collected within one year.

Intergovernmental receivables at June 30, 2009 consisted of \$8,646 of Ohio School Facilities monies, \$2,138 of lunch reimbursements, and \$7,241 of other miscellaneous items.

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# Note 9 - Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, was as follows:

	Balance 6/30/08	Additions	Reductions	Balance 6/30/09
Governmental Activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Land	\$40,564	\$0	\$0	\$40,564
Construction in progress	5,186,919	8,525,963	(13,712,882)	0
Total capital assets not being depreciated	5,227,483	8,525,963	(13,712,882)	40,564
Capital assets being depreciated				
Buildings and improvements	6,959,742	13,712,882	(28,617)	20,644,007
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	2,740,055	885,478	(361,029)	3,264,504
Vehicles	134,893	0	0	134,893
Total capital assets being depreciated	9,834,690	14,598,360	(389,646)	24,043,404
Accumulated depreciation				
Buildings and improvements	(1,806,188)	(184,969)	2,928	(1,988,229)
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	(1,714,555)	(261,954)	336,040	(1,640,469)
Vehicles	(83,524)	(12,128)	0	(95,652)
Total accumulated depreciation	(3,604,267)	(459,051)	338,968	(3,724,350)
Capital assets being depreciated, net	6,230,423	14,139,309	(50,678)	20,319,054
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$11,457,906	\$22,665,272	(\$13,763,560)	\$20,359,618

\*Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Instruction:	
Regular	\$5,370
Vocational	268,090
Adult/Continuing	30,616
Support Services:	
Pupil	11,249
Instructional Staff	27,904
Administration	26,792
Fiscal	10,742
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	59,406
Business	18
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	18,864
Total Depreciation Expense	\$459,051

## Note 10 - Risk Management

### A. Property and Liability

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. The Center maintains comprehensive insurance coverage with a private carrier for liability coverage. Real property, building contents and vehicles are through Ohio School Plan. The Center joined together with other school districts in Ohio to participate in the Ohio School Plan (OSP), a public entity insurance purchasing pool. Each individual participant enters into an agreement with the OSP and its premium is based on types of coverage, limits of coverage, and deductibles that it selects. The Center pays its annual premium to the OSP (see Note 18). The Center has general liability coverage with \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 general aggregate.

Settlements have not exceeded coverage in any of the last three fiscal years. There has not been a significant reduction in coverage from the prior year.

## **B.** Workers' Compensation

The Center participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (See Note 18). 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 participants is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all participants 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. Participation in the GRP is limited to participants that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Gates McDonald & Company provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

# C. Employee Medical Benefits

The Center offers vision and dental insurance to all eligible employees through a self-insurance fund. The Center has a third party administrator, Medical Claims Services, review and administer the claims activity. The claims liability of \$3,853 reported in the internal service fund at June 30, is based on an estimate provided by the third party administrator and the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 30, which requires that a liability for unpaid claim costs, including estimates of costs relating to incurred but not reported claims, be reported. The estimate was not affected by incremental claim adjustment expenses and does not include other allocated or unallocated claim adjustment expenses. Changes in claims activity for the past three fiscal years are as follows:

	Balance at Beginning of	Current Year	Claims	Balance at End of
	Fiscal Year	Claims	Payments	Fiscal Year
2008	\$4,013	\$58,841	\$54,879	\$7,975
2009	7,975	63,965	68,087	3,853

# Note 11 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

## A. School Employee Retirement System

Plan Description - The Center contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a costsharing multiple employer pension plan. SERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-ofliving 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, standalone 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.

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 2009, 9.09 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, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$121,745, \$111,071, and \$116,944 respectively; 100.00 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2009, 2008, and 2007.

### B. State Teachers Retirement System

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 standalone 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 <u>www.strsoh.org</u>.

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.

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Funding Policy - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2008, the portion used to fund pension obligation was also 13 percent. 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, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$666,920, \$657,443, and \$637,148, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2009, 2008, and 2007. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2009 were \$14,307 made by the Center and \$30,842 made by the plan members.

# Note 12 – Postemployment Benefits

# A. School Employee Retirement System

Plan Description – The Center participates in two cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit OPEB plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System 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 2009, 4.16 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 2009, this amount was \$20,276.

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, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$55,901, \$50,685, and \$49,345, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For 2009, this actuarially required allocation was 0.75 percent of covered payroll. The School District's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$10,481, \$8,003, and \$7,952 respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2009, 2008, and 2007.

### B. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description – The Center contributes to the cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit Health 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.

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 2009, 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, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$51,302, \$50,573, and \$49,011, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2009, 2008, and 2007.

# Note 13 - Other Employee Benefits

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

All employees are entitled to a sick leave credit equal to one and one-quarter days for each month of service. This sick leave will either be absorbed by time off due to illness or injury or, within certain limitations, be paid to the employee upon retirement. The amount paid to certified and classified employees upon retirement is limited to one-third of accumulated sick days not to exceed 276 days. The total maximum payment is for 92 days.

# Note 14 – Capital Lease

During fiscal year 2007, the Center entered into a lease agreement for equipment. The lease met the criteria of a capital lease as defined by Financial Accounting Standards No. 13, "Accounting for Leases," which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee. Capital lease payments are reflected as debt service expenditures on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance for the governmental funds.

The carrying value of the leased equipment at June 30, 2009 was \$44,433, the initial cost of \$57,613 net of accumulated depreciation of \$13,180.

The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments required under the capital lease and the present value of the minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2009:

Fiscal Year	Governmental Activities		
Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	
2010	10,915	2,011	
2011	11,859	1,067	
2012	6,312	154	
Total	\$29,086	\$3,232	

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# Note 15 - Long-term Obligations

The changes in the Center's long-term obligations during fiscal year 2009 were as follows:

	Outstanding 6/30/08	Additions	Reductions	Outstanding 6/30/09	Amounts Due in One year
Energy Conservation Bonds 4.87%					
Issued January 15, 1999	\$154,036	\$0	\$22,720	\$131,316	\$23,827
Capital Leases	40,459	0	11,373	29,086	10,915
School Facilities Loan 4.84%					
Issued August 17, 2006	4,701,000	0	169,000	4,532,000	177,000
Compensated Absences	340,056	422,169	340,056	422,169	79,614
Total General Long-Term Obligations	\$5,235,551	\$422,169	\$543,149	\$5,114,571	\$291,356

Compensated absences will be paid from the general fund and the adult education special revenue fund. Capital leases will be paid from the general fund. The Energy Conservation Bonds were used to update lighting and heating and air conditioning. The bonds are paid from property tax revenue and mature on January 15, 2014. The Energy Conservation Bonds were originally issued in the amount of \$557,414. The School Facilities loan will be used for the local portion of the Ohio School Facilities Commission Project. The loan is paid from property tax revenue and matures June 30, 2026.

The Center's overall legal debt margin was \$116,438,211 with an unvoted debt margin of \$1,295,217 at June 30, 2009. Principal and interest requirements to retire the debt outstanding at June 30, 2009, are as follows:

	Energy Conserv	ation Bonds	School Fac	ilities Loan	
Fiscal Year					
Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Total
2010	\$23,827	\$6,395	\$177,000	\$219,349	\$426,571
2011	24,987	5,235	186,000	210,782	427,004
2012	26,204	4,018	195,000	201,780	427,002
2013	27,480	2,741	205,000	192,342	427,563
2014	28,818	1,403	215,000	182,420	427,641
2015-2026	0	0	3,554,000	1,215,130	4,769,130
Total	\$131,316	\$19,792	\$4,532,000	\$2,221,803	\$6,904,911

# Note 16 - Set-Asides

The Center is required by State statute to annually set aside in the General Fund an amount based on a statutory formula for the purchase of textbooks and other instructional materials and an equal amount for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by the end of the fiscal year or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the year must be held in cash at year end. These amounts must be carried forward to be used for the same purposes in future years.

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The following cash basis information describes the change in the fiscal year end set aside amounts for textbooks and capital acquisition. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

	Capital Improvements Reserve	Textbook Instructional Materials Reserve
Set-aside Reserve Balance as of June 30, 2008	\$0	\$0
Current Year Set-aside Requirement	111,977	111,977
Qualifying Disbursements	(111,977)	(111,977)
Totals	\$0	\$0
Set-aside Reserve Balance as of June 30, 2009	\$0	\$0

# Note 17- Jointly Governed Organization

Tri-Rivers Educational Computer Association (TRECA) is a jointly governed organization among 31 public school districts within the boundaries of Delaware, Marion, Morrow, Knox and Wyandot Counties. TRECA 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 school districts. TRECA operates under the direction of a Board consisting of two representatives from each county, elected by a majority vote of all charter member school districts within each county. The continued existence of TRECA is not dependent on the School District's continued participation and no equity interest exists. TRECA has no outstanding debt. To obtain financial information write to: Tri-Rivers Educational Computer Association, Mike Carder, who serves as Director, 2222 Marion-Mount Gilead Road, Marion, Ohio 43302. The Center contributed \$23,494 to TRECA during fiscal year 2009.

# Note 18 - Public Entity Risk Pools

### A. Insurance 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 program. Each year, the participating Centers pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

### B. Shared Risk Pool

*Ohio School Plan* – The School District participates in the Ohio School Plan (OSP), an insurance purchasing pool. The Ohio School Plan (OSP) is created and organized pursuant to and as authorized by Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code. The OSP is an unincorporated, non-profit association of its members and an instrumentality for each member for the purpose of enabling members of the Plan to provide for a formalized, joint insurance purchasing program to maintain adequate insurance protection, risk management programs and other administrative services. The OSP's business and affairs are conducted by a fifteen member Board of directors consisting of school district superintendents and treasurers, as well as the president of Harcum-Shuett Insurance Agency, Inc. and a partner of the Hylant Group, Inc. Hylant Group, Inc. is the sales and marketing representative, which establishes agreements between OSP and member schools.

# Note 19 - Contingencies

## A. Grants

The Center received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditures of funds received under these programs generally require 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 general fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Center at June 30, 2009.

## B. Litigation

The Center is a party to legal proceedings. The Board of Education is of opinion that the ultimate disposition of the current proceeding will not have a material effect, if any, on the financial condition of the Center.

# Note 20 – Interfund Transactions

### A. Interfund Balances

	Receivable
Interfund Payable	General
Major Governmental Fund: Adult Education	\$60,000
Nonmajor Governmental Fund: Uniform School Supply	7,000
Total	\$67,000

The interfund payables are for student tuition and fees that were not received by fiscal year end. The Center expects to receive the tuition and fees within the next fiscal year to repay the advance.

### **B.** Interfund Transfers

Transfers made during the year ended June 30, 2009 were as follows:

Transfers To	General
Major Governmental Fund: Adult Education	\$200,000
Nonmajor Governmental Funds: OSFC Maintenance	194,091
Uniform School Supply Food Service	7,000 4,000
Total	\$405,091

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The transfer from the general fund to the adult education fund was to cover the difference in revenue and expenses of the adult education program that sometimes does not generate enough tuition revenue to cover expenses. The fees and lunchroom charges are not always enough to cover the expenses in the uniform school supply fund and the food service fund. Management is reviewing these fees and charges to avoid these transfers in the future. The transfer from the general fund to the OSFC maintenance fund is to meet the requirements of the Ohio School Facilities Commission to fund future maintenance costs for the addition and renovation of the Center.

# Knox County Career Center

Schedule of Federal Awards Receipts and Expenditures For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009

Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor/ Program Title	Pass Through Entity #	Federal CFDA Number	Receipts	Non-Cash Receipts	Disbursements	Non-Cash Disbursements
<b>United States Department of Agriculture</b> Passed through Ohio Department of Education Nutrition Cluster:	_					
School Breakfast Program National School Lunch program Total Nutrition Cluster	05-PU LL-P4	10.553 10.555	\$ 16,827 65,652 82,479	\$ - <u>14,047</u> 14,047	\$ 16,827 65,652 82,479	\$ - <u>14,047</u> 14,047
Child and Adult Care Food Program	СС-МО	10.558	2,891	-	2,891	
Total United States Department of Agriculture			85,370	14,047	85,370	14,047
United States Department of Education Direct from the Federal Agency Student Financial Aid Cluster						
Federal Direct Student Loans	Ν	84.268	753,456	-	753,456	-
Federal Pell Grant Program	Ν	84.063	294,793	-	294,793	-
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants	Ν	84.007	14,501	-	14,501	-
Total Student Financial Aid Cluster			1,062,750	-	1,062,750	-
Rural Education	N	84.358	48,278	-	48,278	-
Passed through the Madison Local School District Vocational Education - Basic Grants to States Passed through Ohio Department of Education	N/A	84.048	-	-	758	-
Vocational Educational - Basic Grants to States	20-C1	84.048	160,062	-	160,062	-
			160,062	-	160,820	-
Passed through Ohio Department of Education						
Adult Education - State Grant Program	AB-S1	84.002	76,085	-	76,651	-
State Grants for Innovative Programs	C2-S1	84.298	510	-	510	-
Safe & Drug Free Schools and Communities - State Grants	DR-S1	84.186	1,160	-	1,160	-
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	TR-S1	84.367	1,751	-	1,751	-
Total United States Department of Education			1,350,596	-	1,351,920	
Total Federal Financial Assistance			\$ 1,435,966	\$ 14,047	\$ 1,437,290	\$ 14,047

N/A - Not Available

N - direct from the federal government

See Accompanying Notes to the Schedule of Federal Awards Receipts and Expenditures

#### NOTE A – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

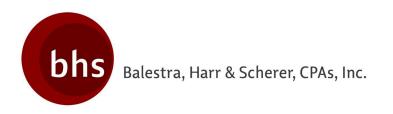
The accompanying schedule of federal awards receipts and expenditures includes the federal grant activity of the Knox County Career Center and is presented on the cash basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.* Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

#### NOTE B – FOOD DONATION

Program regulations do not require the Center to maintain separate inventory records for purchased food and food received from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. This nonmonetary assistance (expenditures) is reported in the Schedule at the fair market value of the commodities received.

#### NOTE C – GUARANTEED STUDENT LOANS

Nonmonetary assistance is reported in the schedule at the dollar amount of guaranteed student loans disbursed.



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### REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Members of the Board Knox County Career Center 306 Martinsburg Road Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Knox County Career Center, Knox County, Ohio (the Career Center) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 29, 2009. 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Governmental Auditing Standards*.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Career Center's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Career Center's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Career Center's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Career Center's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Career Center's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Career Center's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial misstatement.

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

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#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Career Center's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect 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 an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intended this report solely for the information and use of the management, members of the Board, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Balistra, Harr & Scherur

Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc. December 29, 2009



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

Board of Education Knox County Career Center 306 Martinsburg Road Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050

#### Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Knox County Career Center, Knox County, Ohio (the Career Center) with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that apply to its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2009. The Career Center's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings. The Career Center's major federal program is responsible for complying with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal program. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Career Center's compliance based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the Career Center complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2009.

### Internal Control Over Compliance

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

Board of Education Knox County Career Center REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133 Page 2

#### **Internal Control Over Compliance (Continued)**

A control deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a federal program's compliance requirement on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Career Center's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Career Center's internal control will not prevent or detect more-than-inconsequential non-compliance with a federal program compliance requirement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that the Career Center's internal control will not prevent or detect material non-compliance with a federal program compliance requirement.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance 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 compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

We intend this report for the information and use of management, the Board of Education, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

Balistra, Harr & Scherv

Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc. December 29, 2009

# Knox County Career Center Knox County June 30, 2009

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS OMB CIRCULAR A-133 SECTION .505

# SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any other significant control deficiencies reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any other significant control deficiencies reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under section .510?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Student Financial Aid Cluster CFDA# 84.268, 84.063 and 84.007
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: > \$300,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	No

#### Knox County Career Center Knox County June 30, 2009

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS OMB CIRCULAR A-133 SECTION .505

#### 2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

None noted.

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

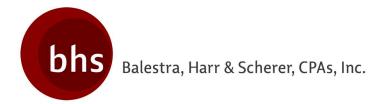
None noted.

#### KNOX COUNTY CAREER CENTER KNOX COUNTY

## SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; Explain:
2008-001	Material Weakness – Improperly recorded intergovernmental receivable.	Yes	Corrected

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#### Independent Auditor's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

Knox County Career Center Knox County 306 Martinsburg Road Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050

To the Board of Education:

Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.53 states "the auditor of state shall identify whether the Career Center or community school has adopted an anti-harassment policy in accordance with Section 3313.666 of the Revised Code. This determination shall be recorded in the audit report. The auditor of state shall not prescribe the content or operation of any anti-harassment policy adopted by a Career Center or community school."

Accordingly, we have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board, solely to assist the Board in evaluating whether Knox County Career Center (the Career Center) has adopted an antiharassment policy in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 3313.666. Management is responsible for complying with this requirement. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the Board. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

- 1. We noted the Board adopted an anti-harassment policy at its meeting on December 19, 2006.
- 2. We read the policy, noting it included the following requirements from the Ohio Rev. Code Section 3313.666(B)
  - 1) A statement prohibiting harassment, intimidation, or bullying of any student on school property or at school-sponsored events;
  - 2) A definition of harassment, intimidation, or bullying that includes the definition in division (A) of Ohio Rev. Code Section 3313.66;
  - 3) A procedure for reporting prohibited incidents;
  - 4) A requirement that school personnel report prohibited incidents of which they are aware to the school principal or other administrator designated by the principal;
  - 5) A requirement that parents or guardians of any student involved in a prohibited incident be notified and, to the extent permitted by section 3319.321 of the Revised Code and the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 19729," 88 Stat. 571, 20 U.S.C. 1232q, as amended, have access to any written reports pertaining to the prohibited incident;
  - 6) A procedure for documenting any prohibited incident that is reported;

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- 7) A procedure for responding to and investigating any reported incident;
- 8) A strategy for protecting a victim from additional harassment, intimidation, or bullying, and from retaliation following a report;
- 9) A disciplinary procedure for any student guilty of harassment, intimidation, or bullying, which shall not infringe on any student's rights under the first amendment to the Constitution of the United States;
- 10) A requirement that the Career Center administration semiannually provide the president of the Career Center board a written summary of all reported incidents and post the summary on its web site, if the Career Center has a web site, to the extent permitted by section 3319.321 of the Revised Code and the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 19729," 88 Stat. 571, 20 U.S.C. 1232q, as amended.

We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance with the anti-harassment policy. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than this specified party.

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Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc.

December 29, 2009





### KNOX COUNTY CAREER CENTER

## KNOX COUNTY

# **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

Susan Babbett

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

CERTIFIED MARCH 4, 2010

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