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**PORTAGE COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
PORTAGE COUNTY**

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Portage County Educational Service Center
Portage County
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To the Governing Board:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Portage County Educational Service Center, Portage County, Ohio, (the Service Center) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Service Center's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Service Center's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure 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 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 Portage County Educational Service Center, Portage County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2011, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 2Q, during the year ended June 30, 2011, the Service Center adopted the provision of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 13, 2013, on our consideration of the Service 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.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *Management's discussion and analysis* and *required budgetary comparison schedules and notes* as listed in the table of contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any other assurance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Yost". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "D" and "Y".

Dave Yost
Auditor of State

February 13, 2013

Portage County Educational Service Center

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

The discussion and analysis of the Portage County Educational Service Center's (Educational Service Center) financial performance provides an overall review of the Educational Service Center's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Educational Service Center's performance as a whole; readers should also review notes to the basic financial statements and the financial statements to enhance their understanding of Educational Service Center's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for June 30, 2011 are as follows:

- General Revenues accounted for \$1.3 million in revenue or 15% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales and grants, contributions and interest accounted for \$7.4 million, or 85% of total revenues of \$8.7 million.
- Total program expenses were \$8.7 million.
- In total, net assets decreased \$8,580 from fiscal year 2010.

Reporting Educational Service 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 Educational Service Center to provide programs and activities, the view of the Educational Service Center as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during fiscal year 2011?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include *all assets* and *liabilities* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of 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 Educational Service Center's *net assets* and *changes in those assets*. This change in net assets is important because it tells the reader that, for the Educational Service Center as a whole, the *financial position* of the Educational Service Center has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not.

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, the Educational Service Center activities are listed as Governmental:

- Governmental Activities - All of the Educational Service Center's programs and services are reported here, including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant.

The government-wide financial statements begin on page 10.

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Reporting the Educational Service Center's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Educational Service Center uses fund accounting to ensure compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The Educational Service Center uses many funds to account for financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the Educational Service Center's most significant funds. The Educational Service Center has two major governmental funds, the general fund and the other grants special revenue fund.

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

Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the general fund and the other grants special revenue fund which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation.

The Educational Service Center adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund and the other grants special revenue fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund and the other grants special revenue fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

The governmental fund financial statements begin on page 12.

Fiduciary Funds - These funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Educational Service Center's own programs. The accounting for the fiduciary funds is much like that used to report proprietary funds.

The fiduciary fund financial statements begin on page 16.

Notes to the Financial Statements - The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements begin on page 17.

Supplementary Information – The Educational Service Center has presented budgetary comparison schedules for the general fund and the other grants special revenue fund as supplementary information on pages 37 through 40 of this report.

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The Educational Service Center as a Whole

Recall that the Statement of Net Assets provides the perspective of the Educational Service Center as a whole.

Table 1 provides a summary of the Educational Service Center's net assets for fiscal year 2011 as compared to fiscal year 2010:

Table 1
Net Assets

	2011	Restated 2010
Assets		
Current and Other Assets	\$ 1,663,082	\$ 1,695,157
Capital Assets	100,370	110,130
Total Assets	1,763,452	1,805,287
Liabilities		
Long-Term Liabilities	77,636	80,672
Other Liabilities	968,177	998,396
Total Liabilities	1,045,813	1,079,068
Net Assets **		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Debt	100,370	99,359
Restricted	792,714	831,951
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(175,445)	(205,091)
Total Net Assets	\$ 717,639	\$ 726,219

** Net asset classifications have been restated, total net assets have not changed.

Total assets decreased by \$41,835. Intergovernmental receivables increased \$38,397, however, there was a decrease in cash and prepaid expenses of nearly \$70,972. Capital assets decreased \$9,760 from fiscal year 2010 from depreciation exceeding acquisitions. Long-term liabilities decreased \$3,036 from an increase in compensated absences of \$7,735 and a decrease in the capital lease of \$10,771 while other liabilities decreased \$30,219 from fiscal year 2010. Net assets decreased \$8,580 or 1%.

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Table 2 shows the changes in net assets for fiscal year 2011 as compared to fiscal year 2010.

Table 2
Governmental Activities

	Governmental Activities	
	2011	2010
Revenues		
<i>Program Revenues:</i>		
Charges for Services	\$ 7,271,674	\$ 7,190,263
Operating Grants	111,999	207,624
<i>General Revenue:</i>		
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs	1,310,469	1,259,818
Investment Earnings and Miscellaneous	757	996
<i>Total Revenues</i>	8,694,899	8,658,701
Program Expenses		
Instruction	3,217,430	3,606,455
Support Services	5,361,096	5,037,954
Food Service Operations	114,602	124,942
Extracurricular Activities	10,072	7,914
Interest and fiscal charges	279	776
<i>Total Expenses</i>	8,703,479	8,778,041
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	(8,580)	(119,340)
Net Assets Beginning of Year	726,219	845,559
Net Assets End of Year	\$ 717,639	\$ 726,219

Charges for services provided to member districts increased \$81,411 over fiscal year 2010 while operating grants decreased \$95,625. Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs increased \$50,561 from 2010. The Educational Service Center provides services to school districts. These services include but are not limited to Severe Behavioral Handicapped (SBH), Multiple Disabled (MD), Integrated Preschool, and Alternative School classes. The Educational Service Center also provides related services such as Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Adapted Physical Education, and Psychological services. The Educational Service Center also employs personnel and places them in specific school districts at their request.

Program expenses in governmental activities decreased \$74,562 from fiscal year 2010. Revenues and expenses fluctuate in the Educational Service Center based on service order requests made by member school districts, which can be contingent on their need and resources available.

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Governmental Activities

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services for fiscal year 2011 compared to fiscal year 2010. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by charges for services and unrestricted grants and entitlements.

**Table 3
Governmental Activities**

	2011		2010	
	Total Cost of Service	Net Cost of Service	Total Cost of Service	Net Cost of Service
Instruction	\$ 3,217,430	\$ 123,243	\$ 3,606,455	\$ 211,482
Support Services:				
Pupil and Instructional Staff	4,156,133	567,347	3,926,387	522,595
Board of Governors, Administration, Fiscal and Business	1,135,686	435,031	1,042,218	443,341
Operation and Maintenance of				
Plant and Central	59,895	59,895	59,440	59,228
Pupil Transportation	9,382	9,382	9,909	9,909
Food Service Operations	114,602	114,557	124,942	124,909
Extracurricular Activities	10,072	10,072	7,914	7,914
Interest and Fiscal Charges	279	279	776	776
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 8,703,479</u>	<u>\$ 1,319,806</u>	<u>\$ 8,778,041</u>	<u>\$ 1,380,154</u>

Instruction and Student Support Services comprise 85% of governmental program expenses. Pupil transportation and the operation/maintenance of facilities accounts for less than 1% of governmental program expenses.

The Educational Service Center is primarily funded through two sources: 1) State Foundation and 2) services provided to other school districts. The State of Ohio provides the Educational Service Center money by three calculations. The State funds the Educational Service Center received of \$37.00 per ADM student of each school in Portage County has been reduced as noted in the Current Issues section of this MD&A. By law, the State provides this money for each student of a local school district and each city or exempted village if a city or county contract exists with the Educational Service Center. The Educational Service Center has a city or county contract with each city and exempted village district in Portage County. The State will also give an additional \$6.50 per student of each district. Again, this is according to individual school ADM. The last part of the State Foundation is for Supervisory Personnel. The Educational Service Center receives salary, retirement, and unit support for each certified, non-special education supervisory personnel. Each educational service center is limited to the number of funded supervisors that they can have based on ADM in the county. The amount received is based on the State Teachers Minimum Salary Schedule. It is important to note that the \$6.50/student and supervisory money funded to the Educational Service Center is deducted from each local, city, or exempted village foundation. The Educational Service Center also receives special education unit funding for Gifted units and Preschool classroom units.

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The Educational Service Center is also funded through services provided to other school districts. These services include but are not limited to Severe Behavioral Handicapped, Multiple Disabled, Integrated Preschool, Itinerant, and Alternative School classes. We also provide related services such as Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech, Adapted Physical Education, and Psychological services. These programs are tuition based and billed after the services are provided.

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

The focus of the Educational Service Center's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Educational Service Center's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the Educational Service Center's net resources available for spending at the year-end.

Information about the Educational Service Center's major funds starts on page 12. These funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All governmental funds had total revenues of \$8.7 million and expenditures of \$8.7 million in fiscal year 2011. The net change in fund balance for fiscal year 2011 was most significant in the general fund, with a decrease of \$112,102 in fiscal year 2011.

General Fund

The general fund is the main operating fund of the Educational Service Center. At the end of fiscal year 2011, the balance in the general fund was \$226,174, which was a decrease of \$112,102 from fiscal year 2010. This is due to an increase in pupil and instructional support services to member Districts as compared to the timing of revenue collections.

Other Grants Special Revenue Fund

In fiscal year 2011, the other grants special revenue fund was a major fund. The other grants special revenue fund is the Educational Service Center fund that accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources, except for state and federal grants that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. At the end of fiscal year 2011, the deficit fund balance in the other grants special revenue fund was \$55,637, which is an increase in fund balance of \$107,498 over fiscal year 2010.

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2011, the Educational Service Center had \$100,370 invested in equipment.

Table 4 shows comparisons between fiscal years 2011 and 2010.

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

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
Furniture and Equipment	<u>\$ 100,370</u>	<u>\$ 110,130</u>

The \$9,760 decrease in fiscal year 2011 in net capital assets was mainly attributable to current depreciation exceeding additional purchases. See Note 7 for more information regarding capital assets.

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Current Issues

The Educational Service Center is State and locally funded. By statute, the State is supposed to fund the Educational Service Center at \$37 per student. However, in March of 2008, the State reduced the funding to all Educational Service Centers by over 9%, then another 1% in 2009. This reduction held true for fiscal year 2011. Instead of \$37 per pupil, the amount per student that Educational Service Center was funded by the state was \$32.22 per student. This gave the Educational Service Center a total of \$747,636 from the State for the per pupil calculation. The result in these reductions is a loss of almost \$9,340 of revenue for Portage Educational Service Center. The statute amount of \$37 per student had not changed in the previous eight years, and there is no anticipation for an increased amount in the future. In fact, there will be decreases in State funding of 10% and 15% in fiscal years 2012 and 2013, respectively. It is uncertain what enrollment will be for future years. Electronic schools are becoming more popular as an alternative to traditional public education. As programs and course offerings are reduced, the Educational Service Center may lose more students through these alternative forms of education. Community Schools are also eating away at enrollment. The Portage County Educational Service Center has agreed to sponsor Community Schools in fiscal year 2012. This may bring back some lost revenue.

The State also awards Special Education Preschool and Gifted unit support. The Educational Service Center received a total of \$436,214 for these two programs in fiscal year 2011. This was an increase of \$69,160 due to the State awarding more Preschool unit support to the Educational Service Center in 2011.

The Educational Service Center also receives funding directly from the school districts that they serve within Portage County. The Educational Service Center receives \$6.50 per student from each school district, which totaled \$147,843 in fiscal year 2011. There is also an amount deducted from each school district to support supervisory personnel at the Educational Service Center. This resulted in an amount received by the Educational Service Center of \$450,464.

State funding is crucial to this educational service center. A very important aspect of state revenue is not just the publicized increases to local, city and exempted villages, but how the increases are restricted and how much are unrestricted. When local valuation increases, state funding decreases more than local funding increases. Local valuation increases are limited to the effective millage and new construction. GAAP aid decreases if additional levies are passed. If funding is cut or restricted to local, city, and exempted village school districts, it limits the amount of business that these districts can request from the Educational Service Center.

In fiscal year 2012, the Educational Service Center will look to promote Shared Services with other school districts. This will be done to not only save the Educational Service Center money, but other school districts as well. If other schools can save money, then this can provide them the ability to do more business with the Educational Service Center.

Contacting Educational Service Center's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Educational Service Center's finances and to show the Educational Service Center's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Tom Morehouse, Treasurer of the Educational Service Center of Portage County, 326 East Main Street, Ravenna, Ohio 44266.

Portage County Educational Service Center

Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2011

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Assets	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 996,289
Intergovernmental receivable	666,793
Depreciable capital assets (net)	<u>100,370</u>
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>1,763,452</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	40,765
Accrued wages and benefits	723,406
Vacation benefits payable	17,147
Matured compensated absences payable	16,165
Intergovernmental payable	170,694
Long term liabilities:	
Due within one year	11,043
Due in more than one year	<u>66,593</u>
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>1,045,813</u>
Net Assets	
Invested in capital assets	100,370
Restricted for:	
Capital projects	47
Contract Services	716,798
Other purposes	75,869
Unrestricted	<u>(175,445)</u>
<i>Total Net Assets</i>	<u>\$ 717,639</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Portage County Educational Service Center
Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets
	Expenses	Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants, Interest and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 81,011	\$ 45,738	\$ 36,751	\$ 1,478
Special	3,136,419	3,011,698	0	(124,721)
Support services:				
Pupils	1,708,708	1,461,102	9,863	(237,743)
Instructional staff	2,447,425	2,098,704	19,117	(329,604)
Board of governors	120,644	104,696	0	(15,948)
Administration	652,114	549,736	46,223	(56,155)
Fiscal	267,683	0	0	(267,683)
Business	95,245	0	0	(95,245)
Operation and maintenance of plant	59,567	0	0	(59,567)
Pupil transportation	9,382	0	0	(9,382)
Central	328	0	0	(328)
Food service operations	114,602	0	45	(114,557)
Extracurricular activities	10,072	0	0	(10,072)
Interest and fiscal charges	279	0	0	(279)
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>	\$ 8,703,479	\$ 7,271,674	\$ 111,999	(1,319,806)
General Revenues				
Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs				1,310,469
Investment earnings				757
Total general revenues				1,311,226
Change in net assets				(8,580)
Net assets beginning of year				726,219
Net assets end of year				\$ 717,639

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Portage County Educational Service Center

Balance Sheet

Governmental Funds

June 30, 2011

	General	Other Grants Special Revenue Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets				
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 761,550	\$ 175,159	\$ 59,580	\$ 996,289
Receivables:				
Interfund	31,411	0	0	31,411
Intergovernmental	633,585	0	33,208	666,793
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>\$ 1,426,546</u>	<u>\$ 175,159</u>	<u>\$ 92,788</u>	<u>\$ 1,694,493</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 39,673	\$ 0	\$ 1,092	\$ 40,765
Accrued wages and benefits	525,872	193,415	4,119	723,406
Matured compensated absences payable	16,165	0	0	16,165
Interfund payable	0	0	31,411	31,411
Intergovernmental payable	131,292	37,381	2,021	170,694
Deferred revenue	487,370	0	4,117	491,487
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	1,200,372	230,796	42,760	1,473,928
Fund Balances				
Restricted	244,448	0	76,345	320,793
Unassigned	(18,274)	(55,637)	(26,317)	(100,228)
<i>Total Fund Balances</i>	226,174	(55,637)	50,028	220,565
<i>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</i>	<u>\$ 1,426,546</u>	<u>\$ 175,159</u>	<u>\$ 92,788</u>	<u>\$ 1,694,493</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Portage County Educational Service Center
*Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to
 Net Assets Governmental Activities
 June 30, 2011*

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$	220,565
 <i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:</i>		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the funds.		100,370
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current- period expenditures and therefore, are deferred in the funds.		
Grants	\$ 4,117	
Tuition	<u>487,370</u>	491,487
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported in the funds.		
Compensated Absences	77,636	
Vacation Benefits Payable	<u>17,147</u>	<u>(94,783)</u>
 Net Assets of Governmental Activities	 \$	 <u><u>717,639</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Portage County Educational Service Center
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

	General	Other Grants Special Revenue Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:				
Intergovernmental	\$ 1,184,038	\$ 0	\$ 272,352	\$ 1,456,390
Investment income	757	32	45	834
Tuition and fees	4,436,743	0	0	4,436,743
Gifts and donations	1,050	0	0	1,050
Contract services revenue	1,175,501	1,651,002	0	2,826,503
Miscellaneous	22,749	0	572	23,321
<i>Total Revenues</i>	6,820,838	1,651,034	272,969	8,744,841
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	52,684	0	27,828	80,512
Special	1,660,909	1,468,106	0	3,129,015
Support services:				
Pupils	1,683,674	389	24,359	1,708,422
Instructional staff	2,325,909	75,041	54,197	2,455,147
Board of governors	120,644	0	0	120,644
Administration	633,478	0	4,895	638,373
Fiscal	270,044	0	0	270,044
Business	95,212	0	0	95,212
Operation and maintenance of plant	59,543	0	0	59,543
Pupil transportation	9,382	0	0	9,382
Central	222	0	106	328
Food service operations	117	0	114,165	114,282
Extracurricular activities	10,072	0	0	10,072
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	10,771	0	0	10,771
Interest and fiscal charges	279	0	0	279
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	6,932,940	1,543,536	225,550	8,702,026
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(112,102)	107,498	47,419	42,815
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit) at Beginning of Year</i>				
<i>Restated, (See Note 2R)</i>	338,276	(163,135)	2,609	177,750
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit) at End of Year</i>	\$ 226,174	\$ (55,637)	\$ 50,028	\$ 220,565

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Portage County Educational Service Center
Reconciliation of the Changes
in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$	42,815
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlay in the current period.

Capital Asset Additions	\$ 21,521	
Current Year Depreciation	<u>(31,231)</u>	(9,710)

Net effect of transactions involving sale of capital assets are not reflected in the funds.		(50)
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Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.

Grants	(36,003)	
Tuition	<u>(13,939)</u>	(49,942)

Repayment of lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.

Capital Lease		10,771
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Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not use the current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

Compensated Absences	(7,735)	
Vacation Benefits Payable	<u>5,271</u>	<u>(2,464)</u>

Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$	<u><u>(8,580)</u></u>
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities

Agency Funds

June 30, 2011

	<u>Agency</u>
Assets	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,790,206
Intergovernmental receivable	<u>189,720</u>
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u><u>\$ 7,979,926</u></u>
Liabilities	
Undistributed monies	\$ 5,780,930
Claims payable	<u>2,198,996</u>
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u><u>\$ 7,979,926</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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Note 1 – Description of the Educational Service Center

The Portage County Educational Service Center (“Educational Service 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 Educational Service Center makes up the Portage County Local School System. The Education Service Center is an administrative entity which operates under an elected Board of Governors (five members) as defined by Section 3311.05 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Board employs 92 certified and 55 noncertified employees.

Reporting Entity

A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements are not misleading. The primary government of the Educational Service Center consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Educational Service Center. For the Educational Service Center of Portage County, this includes the agencies and departments that provide the following services: general operations and related special education, supervisory, administrative and fiscal activities of the Educational Service Center.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Educational Service Center is financially accountable. The Educational Service Center is financially accountable for an organization if the Educational Service Center appoints a voting majority of the organization’s governing board and (1) the Educational Service Center is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Educational Service Center is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the Educational Service Center is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Educational Service Center in that the Educational Service Center approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes. The Educational Service Center has no component units.

The Educational Service Center participates in one jointly governed organization, the Stark Portage Area Computer Consortium (SPARCC), which is presented in Note 14 to the basic financial statements.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Educational Service 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 to its governmental activities provided they do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The Educational Service Center applies generally accepted accounting principles that were issued prior to November 30, 1989 by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) to its governmental activities provided they do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The FASB has codified its standards and the standards issued prior to November 30, 1989 are included in the codification.

The following are the most significant of the Educational Service Center's accounting policies.

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A. Basis of Presentation

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

The statement of net assets presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the Educational Service Center at year end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the Educational Service Center's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore are 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 Educational Service Center, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental activity is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the Educational Service Center.

Fund Financial Statements During the fiscal year, the Educational Service Center segregates transactions related to certain Educational Service 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 Educational Service 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. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

B. Fund Accounting

The Educational Service 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. There are two categories of funds: governmental 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 Educational Service Center's major governmental funds:

General Fund The general fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Educational Service Center for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

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Other Grants Special Revenue Fund The other grants special revenue fund accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources, except for state and federal grants that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

The other governmental funds of the Educational Service Center account for grants and other resources to which the Educational Service Center is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of resources.

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

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

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 Educational Service Center are included on the statement of net assets. The statement of activities presents increases (i.e. revenues) and decreases (i.e. expenses) in total assets.

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

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

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary and fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and the modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred revenue, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

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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 are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the Educational Service Center, available means expected to be received within sixty days of the fiscal year-end.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the Educational Service Center receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, entitlements and donations. On the accrual basis, 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 Educational Service Center must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Educational Service Center on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year-end: interest, tuition, grants, fees, contract services and gifts and donations.

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

Expenses/Expenditures 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. Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, all cash received by the Educational Service Center is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Educational Service Center's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the balance sheet.

During the fiscal year 2011, investments were limited to STAROhio, (the State Treasurer's Investment Pool) and repurchase agreements.

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Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, 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 Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAROhio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2011. Repurchase agreements are reported at cost.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board has, by resolution, identified the funds to receive an allocation of interest. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2011 amounted to \$757, which includes \$33 assigned from other Educational Service Center funds.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Educational Service Center are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an original maturity of more than three months that are not made from the pool are reported as investments.

F. Prepaids

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2011, 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 which services are consumed.

G. Capital Assets

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

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Educational Service Center maintains a capitalization threshold of two hundred dollars. The Educational Service 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.

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

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Estimated Lives</u>
Furniture and Equipment	5-20 Years

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H. Interfund Balances

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

I. Compensated Absences

The Educational Service Center reports compensated absences in accordance with the provisions of GASB No. 16, "Accounting for 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.

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 Educational Service Center's past experience of making termination payments.

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

For the governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are recognized as liabilities and expenditures to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. These amounts are recorded in the account "matured compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated leave are paid.

J. 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 and compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current fiscal year. Bonds and capital leases are recognized as a liability on the fund financial statements when due.

K. 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 Educational Service Center or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. Net assets restricted for other purposes primarily include instructional staff, pupils, and administration.

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

L. Fund Balance

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, “*Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*”, the Educational Service Center classifies its fund balance based on the purpose for which the resources were received and the level of constraint placed on the resources. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable – The nonspendable fund balance category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The “not in spendable form” criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans receivable, as well as property acquired for resale, unless the use of the proceeds from the collection of those receivables or from the sale of those properties is restricted, committed or assigned.

Restricted – Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

Committed – The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Educational Service Center Governing Board. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Educational Service Center Governing Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned – Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Educational Service Center for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the Educational Service Center Governing Board.

Unassigned – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed or assigned.

The Educational Service Center applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

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M. Interfund Activity

Transfers between governmental activities on the government-wide statements are 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 and after nonoperating revenues/expenses in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

N. 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 Governors and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during fiscal year 2011.

O. Estimates

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

P. Budgetary Data

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

In fiscal year 2004, the Educational Service Center requirement to file budgetary information with the Ohio Department of Education was eliminated. Even though the budgetary process for the Educational Service Center was discretionary, the Educational Service Center continued to have its Board approve appropriations and estimated resources. The Educational Service Center's Board adopts an annual appropriation resolution, which is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level for all funds. The Treasurer has been authorized to allocate appropriations to the function and object level within all funds. Although the level of budgetary control was established at the fund level of expenditures, the Educational Service Center has elected to present the budgetary statement comparisons at the fund and function level. Budgetary information for the general fund and the other grant special revenue fund has been presented as supplementary information to the basic financial statements.

At the close of each year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriation. Encumbered appropriations are carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated.

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Q. Implementation of New Accounting Policies

For the year ended June 30, 2011, the Educational Service Center has implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54, “*Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*” and GASB Statement No. 59, “*Financial Instruments Omnibus*.”

GASB Statement No. 54 enhances the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying the existing governmental fund type definitions. This statement establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. The requirements of this statement classify fund balance as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and/or unassigned.

GASB Statement No. 59 updated and improved existing standards regarding financial reporting and disclosure requirements of certain financial instruments and external investment pools for which significant issues have been identified in practice. Implementation of this GASB statement did not affect the presentation of the financial statements of the Educational Service Center.

R. Restatement of Fund Balances

On July 1, 2010, the School District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, “*Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*”. As a result, the Public School Support Fund, previously reported as a Special Revenue Fund, was reclassified to the General Fund for GAAP reporting purposes. The following is the effect of that change in fund balances:

	General Fund	Other Grants Special Revenue Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Fund Balance June 30, 2010	\$ 336,386	\$ (163,135)	\$ 4,499	\$ 177,750
Fund Reclassification	1,890	0	(1,890)	0
Restated Fund Balance July 1, 2011	<u>\$ 338,276</u>	<u>\$ (163,135)</u>	<u>\$ 2,609</u>	<u>\$ 177,750</u>

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Note 3 – Fund Deficits

Fund balances at June 30, 2011 included the following individual fund deficits:

	2011 Deficit Fund Balance
<i>Major Governmental Funds:</i>	
Other Grants	\$ 55,637
 <i>Nonmajor Governmental Funds:</i>	
Management Information Systems	20
Title VI-B	20,676
Preschool Grant	5,621

The deficits in the governmental funds 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 4 - Deposits and Investments

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. Protection of the Educational Service Center's cash and deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as well as qualified securities pledged by the institution holding the assets. By law, financial institutions must collateralize all uninsured public deposits. The face value of the pooled collateral must equal at least 105 percent of uninsured public funds deposited. Collateral is held by trustees including the Federal Reserve Bank and designated third party trustees of the financial institutions.

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Cash on Hand At fiscal year end 2011, the Educational Service Center had \$100 in undeposited cash on hand which is included on the balance sheet of the Educational Service Center as part of equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents.

Deposits At fiscal year-end 2011, the carrying amount of the Educational Service Center's deposits was \$5,223,099 and the bank balance was \$5,435,508. Of the bank balance:

1. \$500,735 was covered by depository insurance for fiscal year 2011; and
2. \$4,934,773 was uninsured and uncollateralized. Although the securities serving as collateral were held by the pledging institution in the pledging institution's name, and all State statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the Educational Service Center to a successful claim by the FDIC.

Investments

Investments are reported at fair value. As of June 30, 2011, the Educational Service Center had the following investments:

	2011	
Fair Value	Investment Maturities (in months) 0-6	
Chase Repurchase Agreement	\$ 465,248	\$ 465,248
STAROhio	3,098,048	3,098,048
Totals	\$ 3,563,296	\$ 3,563,296

Interest Rate Risk: The Ohio Revised Code generally limits security purchases to those that mature within five years of the settlement date. The Educational Service Center's policy indicates that the investments must mature within five years, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Educational Service Center.

Credit Risk: The Educational Service Center's investments at June 30, 2011 included sweep accounts, and STAROhio. STAROhio is rated AAA by Standard & Poor's. The sweep accounts (repurchase agreements) are not rated by Standard & Poor's or Moody's Investments Services. The federal agency securities that underlie the repurchase agreement were rated AAA and Aaa by Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investor Services, respectively.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The Educational Service Center places no limit on the amount the Educational Service Center may invest in any one issuer. More than 5 percent of the Educational Service Center's investments are in STAROhio. This investment is 87 percent for fiscal year 2011 of the Educational Service

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Center's total investments for the amounts listed above. More than 5 percent of the Educational Service Center's investments are in the repurchase agreements. This investment is 13 percent for fiscal year 2011.

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of failure of the counterparty, the Educational Service Center will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Educational Service Center's \$465,248 investment in repurchase agreements is to be secured by the specific government securities upon which the repurchase agreements are based. These securities, held by the counterparty and not in the Educational Service Center's name, must be obligations of or guaranteed by the United States and mature or be redeemable within five years of the date of the related repurchase agreement. The Educational Service Center's policy is to invest money with financial institutions that are able to abide by the laws governing insurance and collateral of public funds.

Note 5 - Interfund Balances

For fiscal year 2011, on the fund financial statements, the general fund reported an interfund receivable of \$31,411 and the title VI-B fund and preschool grant fund had an interfund payable of \$20,676 and 10,735, respectively.

All balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, or (3) payments between funds are made. As of June 30, 2011 all interfund loans outstanding will be repaid in fiscal year 2012.

Note 6 – Receivables

Receivables at June 30, 2011 consisted of intergovernmental entitlements and grants, and interfund. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the stable condition of State programs, and the current year guarantee of federal funds. A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables follows:

	<u>2011</u> <u>Amounts</u>
<i>Major Governmental Funds</i>	
General Fund	\$ 633,585
<i>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</i>	
Food Service	18,591
Preschool Grant Fund	<u>14,617</u>
<i>Total nonmajor governmental funds</i>	<u>33,208</u>
<i>Agency Fund</i>	
Employee Benefits	<u>189,720</u>
<i>Total Intergovernmental Receivables</i>	<u><u>\$ 856,513</u></u>

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Note 7 - Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011 was as follows:

	Balance 6/30/2010	Additions	Deletions	Balance 6/30/2011
Governmental Activities				
<i>Capital Assets, being depreciated:</i>				
Furniture and Equipment	\$ 528,349	\$ 21,521	\$ (15,870)	\$ 534,000
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(418,219)	(31,231)	15,820	(433,630)
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 110,130	\$ (9,710)	\$ (50)	\$ 100,370

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows for fiscal year 2011:

	2011
Instruction:	
Regular	\$ 509
Special	6,342
Support Services:	
Pupil	1,138
Instructional Staff	6,999
Administration	15,300
Fiscal	623
Food Service Operations	320
Total Depreciation	\$ 31,231

Note 8 – Risk Management

The Educational Service Center participates in the Portage County School Consortium which is a co-operative entity to facilitate effective risk management and to share the cost of providing various insurance coverage and employee benefits. There has not been a significant reduction in coverage from the prior year. There have been no settlements paid in excess of insurance in the past three years.

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Portage County School Consortium The Portage County School Consortium was established in 1981 so that 12 educational-service providers in Portage County could manage risk exposures and purchase necessary insurance coverage as a group. The Health and Welfare Trust is organized under the provisions of Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code. Its purpose is to facilitate the management of risks associated with providing employee benefits coverage such as health insurance, disability insurance and life insurance. A third party administrator is retained by the consortium to facilitate the operation of the Health and Welfare Trust. The Educational Service Center pays all insurance premiums directly to the consortium. Also, the insurance agreement with Portage County School Consortium provides that the consortium will reinsure through commercial companies for claims over \$200,000 per employee. Although the Educational Service Center does not participate in the day-to-day management of the consortium, one of its administrators serves as a trustee of the consortium's governing board as provided in the consortium's enabling authority. Although the Educational Service Center recognizes that it retains a contingent liability to provide insurance coverage should the assets of the consortium become depleted, it is the opinion of management that the assets of the consortium are sufficient to meet its claims.

Effective January 1, 1997, the Educational Service Center of Portage County is the fiscal agent of the Consortium and reports balances within an Agency Fund.

Note 9 – Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vested vacation and sick leave components are derived from negotiated agreements, Board policies, and State laws. Certified and classified employees that work 260 days per year earn ten to twenty days of vacation per year depending upon length of service. Vacation days are credited to classified employees on the anniversary of their employment and must be used within the next twelve months. Teachers and administrators (those not working 260 days) do not earn vacation time. All employees of the Educational Service Center earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Upon retirement, 25 percent of the accumulation of unused sick leave days up to 120 days will be awarded to an employee. The employee will also be awarded 10 percent of the days accumulated over 120 days up to the maximum allowable per labor agreement.

The amount of accumulated vacation and sick leave of employees paid from governmental funds that meets the eligibility requirements has been recorded in the appropriate governmental fund as a current liability to the extent that the amounts are expected to be paid using expendable available financial resources.

Note 10- Defined Benefit Pension Plans

A. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description – The Educational Service Center contributes to the School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (“SERS”), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits; annual cost-of-living adjustments; and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by state statute per Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report can be obtained by contacting SERS, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS’ website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

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Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Educational Service Center is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the Educational Service Center's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits; for fiscal year 2011, 11.81 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations and death benefits. The remaining 2.19 percent of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is allocated to the Health Care and Medicare B Funds. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended, up to statutory maximum amounts, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The Educational Service Center's contributions to SERS for pension obligations and death benefits for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 were \$191,625, \$198,693 and \$127,702, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011, 2010 and 2009.

B. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description – The Educational Service Center participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio ("STRS Ohio"), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a publicly-available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3371, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Ohio website at www.strsoh.org.

New members have a choice of three retirement plans, a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB Plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on member contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to allocate their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation among various investment accounts. Investment decisions are made by the member. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The Combined Plan offers features of both the DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. DC and Combined Plan members will transfer to the DB Plan during their fifth year of membership unless they permanently select the DC or Combined Plan. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

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Funding Policy – For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Educational Service Center was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2010, the portion used to fund pension obligations 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 employer contributions.

The Educational Service Center's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$608,158, \$631,150 and \$640,999, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2011 were \$14,020 made by the Educational Service Center and \$10,014 made by the plan members.

C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System have an option to choose Social Security or the School Employees Retirement System/State Teachers Retirement System. The Board's liability is 6.2% of wages paid.

Note 11 - Postemployment Benefits

A. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description — The Educational Service Center participates in two cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit OPEB plans administered by SERS for non-certified retirees and their beneficiaries, a Health Care Plan and a Medicare Part B Plan. The Health Care Plan included 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 SERS' Health Care and Medicare B plans are included in its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. The report can be obtained by contacting SERS, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

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 allocated 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 2011, 1.43 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 2011, this amount was \$35,800.

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

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The Educational Service Center's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$23,203, \$7,152 and \$58,442, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009.

The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the current employer contribution rate to the Medicare B Fund. For fiscal year 2011, the actuarially required allocation was .76 percent. The Educational Service Center's contributions for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 were \$12,331, \$11,816, and \$10,536, respectively.

B. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description – The Educational Service Center contributes to the cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) 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 premium. 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 authorized 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 2011, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1% of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The Educational Service Center's contributions for health care for fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 were \$46,781, \$48,550 and \$49,308, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009.

Note 12 – Contingencies

A. Grants

The Educational Service Center received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the 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 Educational Service Center at June 30, 2011.

B. Litigation

The Educational Service Center is a defendant in a lawsuit, although management cannot presently determine the outcome of this suit, management believes the resolution of this matter will not materially adversely affect the Educational Service Center's financial condition.

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Note 13 – Long Term Obligations

The changes in the Educational Service Center’s long-term obligations during the year consist of the following:

	<i>2011</i>				
	<u>Outstanding June 30, 2010</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Outstanding June 30, 2011</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Governmental Activities:					
Capital Lease	\$ 10,771	\$ 0	\$ 10,771	\$ 0	\$ 0
Compensated Absences	69,901	23,901	16,166	77,636	11,043
Total Governmental Activities					
Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 80,672</u>	<u>\$ 23,901</u>	<u>\$ 26,937</u>	<u>\$ 77,636</u>	<u>\$ 11,043</u>

Compensated Absences will be paid from the fund in which the employee’s wages are paid. In prior years, this has primarily been the general fund. Capital leases were paid from the general fund.

Note 14 – Jointly Governed Organizations

The Stark Portage Area Computer Consortium (SPARCC) is a jointly governed organization comprised of 28 school districts. The jointly governed organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to administrative and instructional functions for member districts. Each of the governments of these districts supports SPARCC based upon a per pupil charge dependent upon the software package utilized. However, since the Educational Service Center is a county governmental entity, they are not required to pay any fees to SPARCC. The SPARCC assembly consists of a superintendent or designated representative from each participating district and a representative from the fiscal agent. SPARCC is governed by a board of directors chosen from the general membership of the SPARCC assembly. The board of directors consists of a representative from the fiscal agent, the chairman of each operating committee, and at least one assembly member from each county in which participating districts are located. Financial information can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer at Stark County Education Service Center, which serves as fiscal agent, located at 2100 38th Street, NW, Canton, Ohio 44709.

Note 15 – Leases

A. Operating Lease

The Educational Service Center (the “Lessee”) has entered into an operating lease, for a five year period commencing on July 1, 2006. The lease is with David D. Y. Lan and Lily S. C. Lan (the “Lessor”) for facilities to house the offices and functions of the Educational Service Center. Current year lease payments were \$70,800. Rental cost should be recognized on the straight-line basis over the term of the lease because no economic justification can be offered for the rental increases. Should the Lessee need to terminate the lease early due to a reduction or termination of funding, it shall notify the Lessor of its decision to terminate the lease early, in writing, ninety days in advance of the new termination date.

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B. Capital Lease

Capital lease obligations relate to telephone equipment which is leased under long-term agreements. This lease meets the criteria of a capital lease as they transfer benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee. \$49,106 of furniture and equipment has been recorded as capital assets relating to capital leases with \$24,553 of accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2011. Capital lease payments in the general fund have been reclassified and are reflected as debt service in the basic financial statements for the general fund. These expenditures are reflected as program/function expenditures on a budgetary basis. The last payment of \$11,050 (\$10,771 principal and \$279 interest) was made during fiscal year 2011.

Note 16 – Fund Balance

Fund balance can be classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the Educational Service Center is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds.

The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented as follows:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Other Grants Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Restricted for:				
Contract Service Fees	\$ 241,877	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 241,877
Special Education	2,571	0	0	2,571
Other Purposes	0	0	76,345	76,345
Total Restricted	<u>244,448</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>76,345</u>	<u>320,793</u>
Unassigned	<u>(18,274)</u>	<u>(55,637)</u>	<u>(26,317)</u>	<u>(100,228)</u>
Total Fund Balance (Deficit)	<u>\$ 226,174</u>	<u>\$ (55,637)</u>	<u>\$ 50,028</u>	<u>\$ 220,565</u>

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*Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance -
 Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual
 General Fund
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011*

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final	Actual	
Revenues:				
Intergovernmental	\$ 1,167,381	\$ 1,167,381	\$ 1,184,037	\$ 16,656
Investment income	20,000	20,000	757	(19,243)
Tuition and fees	5,300,000	5,300,000	4,398,478	(901,522)
Gifts and donations	0	0	1,050	1,050
Contract service revenue	996,350	996,350	1,161,925	165,575
Miscellaneous	7,000	7,000	22,732	15,732
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>7,490,731</u>	<u>7,490,731</u>	<u>6,768,979</u>	<u>(721,752)</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction	1,888,275	1,888,275	1,719,348	168,927
Support services:				
Pupils	1,665,000	1,665,000	1,673,747	(8,747)
Instructional staff	2,668,000	2,668,000	2,395,392	272,608
Board of governors	125,625	125,625	145,085	(19,460)
Administration	642,000	642,000	644,806	(2,806)
Fiscal	303,000	303,000	267,764	35,236
Business	109,900	109,900	93,127	16,773
Operation and maintenance of plant	58,700	58,700	66,209	(7,509)
Pupil transportation	8,000	8,000	10,160	(2,160)
Food service operations	6,500	6,500	240	6,260
Extracurricular Activities	10,000	10,000	10,257	(257)
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>7,485,000</u>	<u>7,485,000</u>	<u>7,026,135</u>	<u>458,865</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	5,731	5,731	(257,156)	(262,887)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Advances in	0	0	16,500	16,500
Advances out	(15,000)	(15,000)	(31,411)	(16,411)
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(15,000)</u>	<u>(15,000)</u>	<u>(14,911)</u>	<u>89</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(9,269)	(9,269)	(272,067)	(262,798)
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit) at Beginning of Year</i>	816,877	816,877	816,877	0
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	49,343	49,343	49,343	0
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit) at End of Year</i>	<u>\$ 856,951</u>	<u>\$ 856,951</u>	<u>\$ 594,153</u>	<u>\$ (262,798)</u>

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*Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance -
 Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual
 Other Grants Special Revenue Fund
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011*

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Investment income	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 31	\$ 31
Contract services revenue	2,897,178	2,897,678	1,651,003	(1,246,675)
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>2,897,178</u>	<u>2,897,678</u>	<u>1,651,034</u>	<u>(1,246,644)</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction	2,684,955	2,724,955	1,512,985	1,211,970
Support services:				
Pupils	42,912	42,912	378	42,534
Instructional staff	272,133	272,133	91,578	180,555
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>3,040,000</u>	<u>1,604,941</u>	<u>1,435,059</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(102,822)	(142,322)	46,093	188,415
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit) at Beginning of Year</i>	128,846	128,846	128,846	0
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	0	0	0	0
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit) at End of Year</i>	<u>\$ 26,024</u>	<u>\$ (13,476)</u>	<u>\$ 174,939</u>	<u>\$ 188,415</u>

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Notes to the Supplemental Information

For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Note 1 - Budgetary Process

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

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

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

Note 2 - Budgetary Basis of Accounting

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

The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual, is presented for the general fund and other grant fund on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP basis are that:

1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).
2. Expenditures/expenses are recorded when paid in cash (budget) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP).
3. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (GAAP).
4. Advances in and advances out are operating transactions (budget) as opposed to balance sheet transactions (GAAP).
5. Some funds are included in the general fund (GAAP), but have separate legally adopted budgets (budget).

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statement to the budgetary basis schedule on a fund type basis for the general fund.

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Net Change in Fund Balance

	<u>General</u>
GAAP Basis	\$ (112,102)
Net Adjustment for Revenue Accruals	(51,723)
Advance In	16,500
Advance Out	(31,411)
Net Adjustment for Expenditure Accruals	72,423
Funds Budgeted Elsewhere **	(136)
Adjustment for Encumbrances	<u>(165,618)</u>
Budget Basis	<u><u>\$ (272,067)</u></u>

** As part of Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 54, "*Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*", the public school support fund that is legally budgeted in a separate special revenue fund is considered part of the general fund on a GAAP basis.

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statement to the budgetary basis schedule on a fund type basis for the other grants fund.

Net Change in Fund Balance

	<u>Other Grants Fund</u>
GAAP Basis	\$ 107,498
Net Adjustment for Expenditure Accruals	<u>(61,405)</u>
Budget Basis	<u><u>\$ 46,093</u></u>



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Portage County Educational Service Center
Portage County
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To the Governing Board:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Portage County Educational Service Center, Portage County, Ohio, (the Service Center) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Service Center's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 13, 2013, wherein we noted the Service Center adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54. 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*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in more than a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Service Center's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and timely corrected.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Service 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 we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We did note certain matters not requiring inclusion in this report that we reported to the Service Center's management in a separate letter dated February 13, 2013.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the Governing Board and others within the Service Center. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Yost". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "D" and "Y".

Dave Yost
Auditor of State

February 13, 2013



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PORTAGE COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED
FEBRUARY 26, 2013