

***NEWBRIDGE MATH AND READING PREPARATORY  
ACADEMY***

**(Formerly “UBAH Math and Reading Preparatory  
Academy”)**

***FRANKLIN COUNTY***

**Audit Report**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2015**







# Dave Yost • Auditor of State

Board of Directors  
Newbridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy  
65 E Wilson Bridge Rd. Ste 200  
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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor Report* of the Newbridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy, Franklin County, prepared by Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Newbridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Dave Yost  
Auditor of State

May 9, 2016

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Newbridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy  
Franklin County  
3850 Sullivant Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43228

To the Board of Directors:

### ***Report on the Financial Statements***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Newbridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy, Franklin County, Ohio (the School), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to School's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of School's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinion.

**Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Newbridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy, Franklin County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2015, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 17 to the financial statements, during the year ended June 30, 2015, the School adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27* and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*. We did not modify our opinion regarding these matters.

**Other Matters**

*Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *Management's discussion and analysis* and schedules of net pension liabilities and pension contributions 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 applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, consisting of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, to the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not opine or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to opine or provide any other assurance.

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 29, 2016, on our consideration of School'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. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



**Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc.**  
January 29, 2016



**NEWBRIDGE MATH AND READING PREPARATORY ACADEMY  
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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015  
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The discussion and analysis of Newbridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy (the School) financial performance provides an overall review of the financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School's financial performance.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is an element of the reporting model adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in their Statement No. 34 Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments issued June 1999. Certain comparative information between the current year and the prior year is required to be presented in the MD&A.

**Financial Highlights**

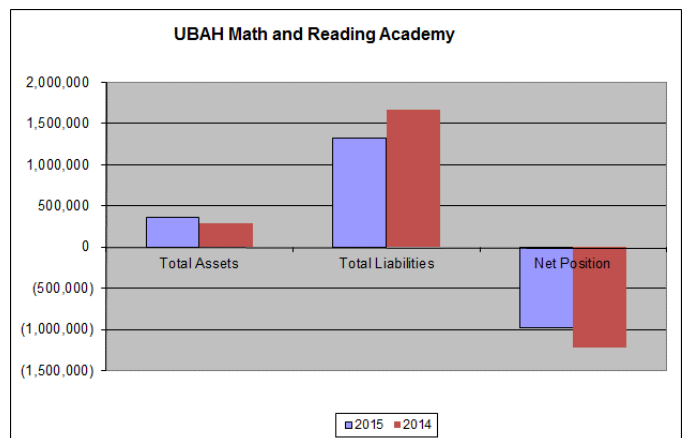
Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2015 are as follows:

- Total Net Position increased \$227,505 fiscal year 2015.
- Total revenues increased from \$1,373,539 in fiscal year 2014 to in \$1,945,854 fiscal year 2015.
- Total expenses increased from \$1,316,546 in fiscal 2014 to \$1,718,349 in fiscal year 2015.
- Current liabilities decreased \$21,005 with current assets increasing \$121,229 in fiscal year 2015.
- The School has no long term debt outstanding as of June 30, 2015.
- Net Pension Liability decreased \$345,642 which is offset by an increase of \$198,799 in Deferred Inflows.

**Using this Financial Report**

This report consists of three parts, the MD&A, the basic financial statements, and notes to those statements. The basic financial statements include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position, and a Statement of Cash Flows.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position reflect how the School did financially during their first year of operations of 2015. 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 includes all of the current year revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.



These statements report the School's net position and changes in those assets. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader whether the financial position of the School has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the School's student enrollment, per-pupil funding as determined by the State of Ohio, change in technology, required educational programs and other factors.

The School uses enterprise presentation for all of its activities.

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**Statement of Net Position**

The Statement of Net Position answers the question of how the School did financially during 2015. This statement includes all assets and liabilities, deferred inflows and outflows, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term using the accrual basis of accounting and economic resources focus, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when the cash is received or paid.

Table 1 provides a summary of the School's net position for 2015.

**(Table 1)  
Statement of Net Position**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>Restated 2014</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
Current Assets	\$ 253,726	\$ 132,497
Capital Assets, Net	105,601	143,277
Total Assets	359,327	286,493
 <b>Deferred Outflows</b>		
Pension Requirements	157,169	76,064
 <b>Liabilities</b>		
Current Liabilities	203,636	182,631
Long Term Liabilities	1,113,833	1,396,483
Total Liabilities	1,317,469	1,579,114
 <b>Deferred Inflows</b>		
Pension Requirements	198,799	-
 <b>Net Position</b>		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	38,978	13,995
Unrestricted	(1,038,750)	(1,241,272)
Total Net Position	\$ (999,772)	\$(1,227,277)

Total assets were \$359,327, while total liabilities were \$1,317,469. Cash and cash equivalents were \$201,227 while intergovernmental receivables were \$ 52,499.

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**Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position**

Table 2, below, demonstrates the change in net position for fiscal year 2015, as well as a listing of revenues and expenses. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the School as a whole, the financial position of School has improved or diminished. The cause of this may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the current laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

**Table 2  
Changes in Net Position**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b><u>Operating Revenues</u></b>		
State Aid	\$ 1,530,198	\$ 1,142,732
Casino Revenue	8,731	5,254
Facilities	16,348	-
Miscellaneous Operating	48,604	8,584
<b><u>Non-Operating Revenues</u></b>		
Grants	341,973	216,969
Total Revenues	1,945,854	1,373,539
<b><u>Operating Expenses</u></b>		
Salaries	766,486	500,875
Fringe Benefits	101,872	118,610
Purchased Services	664,867	537,527
Materials and Supplies	90,611	90,289
Depreciation	41,488	31,527
Other	48,502	34,038
<b><u>Non-Operating Expenses</u></b>		
Interest Payments	4,523	3,680
Total Expenses	1,718,349	1,316,546
 Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	 \$ 227,505	 \$ 56,993

The revenue generated by a community school is almost entirely dependent on per-pupil allotment given by the State foundation and from federal entitlement programs. Foundation payments made up 79% of revenues while federal made up the remaining. The Schools' most significant expense other than Salaries is Purchased Services which represents 39% of total expenses which represent payments to various vendors.

During 2015, the School adopted GASB Statement 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an Amendment of GASB Statement 27*, which significantly revises accounting for pension

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costs and liabilities. For reasons discussed below, many end users of this financial statement will gain a clearer understanding of the School's actual financial condition by adding deferred inflows related to pension and the net pension liability to the reported net position and subtracting deferred outflows related to pension.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board standards are national and apply to all government financial reports prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. When accounting for pension costs, GASB 27 focused on a funding approach. This approach limited pension costs to contributions annually required by law, which may or may not be sufficient to fully fund each plan's *net pension liability*. GASB 68 takes an earnings approach to pension accounting; however, the nature of Ohio's statewide pension systems and state law governing those systems requires additional explanation in order to properly understand the information presented in these statements.

Under the new standards required by GASB 68, the net pension liability equals the School's proportionate share of each plan's collective:

1. Present value of estimated future pension benefits attributable to active and inactive employees' past service
2. Minus plan assets available to pay these benefits

GASB notes that pension obligations, whether funded or unfunded, are part of the "employment exchange" – that is, the employee is trading his or her labor in exchange for wages, benefits, and the promise of a future pension. GASB noted that the unfunded portion of this pension promise is a present obligation of the government, part of a bargained-for benefit to the employee, and should accordingly be reported by the government as a liability since they received the benefit of the exchange. However, the School is not responsible for certain key factors affecting the balance of this liability. In Ohio, the employee shares the obligation of funding pension benefits with the employer. Both employer and employee contribution rates are capped by State statute. A change in these caps requires action of both Houses of the General Assembly and approval of the Governor. Benefit provisions are also determined by State statute. The employee enters the employment exchange with the knowledge that the employer's promise is limited not by contract but by law. The employer enters the exchange also knowing that there is a specific, legal limit to its contribution to the pension system. In Ohio, there is no legal means to enforce the unfunded liability of the pension system *as against the public employer*. State law operates to mitigate/lessen the moral obligation of the public employer to the employee, because all parties enter the employment exchange with notice as to the law. The pension system is responsible for the administration of the plan.

Most long-term liabilities have set repayment schedules or, in the case of compensated absences (i.e., sick and vacation leave), are satisfied through paid time-off or termination payments. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability. As explained above, changes in pension benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affect the balance of the net pension liability, but are outside the control of the local government. In the event that contributions, investment returns, and other changes are insufficient to keep up with required pension payments, State statute does not assign/identify the responsible party for the unfunded portion. Due to the unique nature of how the net pension liability is satisfied, this liability is separately identified within the long-term liability section of the statement of net position.

In accordance with GASB 68, the School's statements prepared on an accrual basis of accounting include an annual pension expense for their proportionate share of each plan's *change* in net pension liability not accounted for as deferred inflows/outflows of resources.

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As a result of implementing GASB 68, the School is reporting a net pension liability and deferred inflows/outflows of resources related to pension on the accrual basis of accounting. This implementation also had the effect of restating net position at June 30, 2014, from \$12,637 to \$(1,227,277).

Changes to the beginning net position were as follows:

Net Position June 30, 2014	\$ 12,640
Capital Asset	(10,718)
Deferred Outflows of Resources	76,061
Net Pension Liability	<u>(1,305,260)</u>
Restated Net Position, July 1, 2014	<u><u>\$ (1,227,277)</u></u>

The information necessary to restate the 2014 beginning balances and the 2014 pension expense amounts for the effects of the initial implementation of GASB 68 is not available. Therefore, 2014 functional expenses still include pension expense of \$63,409 computed under GASB 27. GASB 27 required recognizing pension expense equal to the contractually required contributions to the plan. Under GASB 68, pension expense represents additional amounts earned, adjusted by deferred inflows/outflows. The contractually required contribution is no longer a component of pension expense. Under GASB 68, the 2015 statements report pension expense of \$49,585. Consequently, in order to compare 2015 total program expenses to 2014, the following adjustments are needed:

Total 2015 program expenses under GASB 68	\$ 1,713,826
Pension expense under GASB 68	(57,641)
2015 contractually required contribution	<u>146,811</u>
Adjusted 2015 program expenses	1,802,996
Total 2014 program expenses under GASB 27	<u>1,316,546</u>
Increase in program expenses not related pension	<u><u>\$ 486,450</u></u>

***Budgeting Highlights***

Unlike other public schools located in the State of Ohio, community schools are not required to follow budgetary provisions set forth in Ohio Rev. Code Chapter 5705, unless specifically provided in the community school's contract with its Sponsor. The contract between the School and its Sponsor does prescribe a budgetary process. The School has developed a one year spending plan and a five-year projection that is reviewed periodically by the Board of Directors.

**Capital Assets**

At the end of fiscal year 2015, the School had capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation in the amount of \$105,601, a decrease of \$48,394 from fiscal year 2014. See Note 11 to the financial statements for further information.

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**Capital Lease and Construction Payable**

At June 30 2015, the School has outstanding capital lease payables totaling \$21,612 and construction payable totaling \$45,000. See Notes 12 and 10 for further information.

**Current Financial Related Activities**

The School is in its third year and enrollment is at 127 students as of November 2015. The financial outlook over the next several years shows continued growth in enrollment. But, future revenue increases are cautious due to Ohio's weak economic recovery.

**Contacting Management**

This financial report is designed to provide citizens, taxpayers, and creditors with a general overview of the School's finances. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Brian G. Adams, Fiscal Officer for the NewBridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy, 65 E. Wilson Bridge Rd Suite 200, Worthington, OH 43085 or e-mail at [badams@ocscltd.com](mailto:badams@ocscltd.com).

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**NewBridge Math and Reading Academy  
Franklin County  
Statement of Net Position  
June 30, 2015**

**Assets**

*Current Assets:*

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	201,227
Accounts Receivable		52,499
		253,726

Total Current Assets 253,726

*Noncurrent Assets:*

Depreciable Capital Assets, net		105,601
		105,601

Total Assets 359,327

**DEFERRED OUTFLOWS**

Pension Requirements		157,169
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**Liabilities**

*Current Liabilities:*

Accounts Payable		42,327
Accrued Wages and Benefits		110,123
Capital Lease Payable, Due within one year		6,186
Construction Payable		45,000
		203,636

Total Current Liabilities 203,636

*Long-Term Liabilities:*

Capital Leases Payable, due in more than one year		15,437
Net Pension Liability		1,098,396
		1,113,833

Total Long-Term Liabilities 1,113,833

Total Liabilities 1,317,469

**DEFERRED INFLOWS**

Pension Requirements		198,799
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**Net Position**

Net Investment In Capital Assets		38,978
Unrestricted		(1,038,750)
		(999,772)

Total Net Position \$ (999,772)

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements



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Expenses and Changes in Net Position  
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<u>Operating Revenues</u>	
State Aid	\$ 1,530,198
Casino Revenue	8,731
Facilities Revenue	16,348
Miscellaneous Operating Revenue	48,604
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Total Operating Revenues	\$ 1,603,881
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<u>Operating Expenses</u>	
Salaries	766,486
Fringe Benefits	101,872
Purchased Services	664,867
Materials and Supplies	90,611
Depreciation	41,488
Other	48,502
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Total Operating Expenses	1,713,826
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Operating Income (Loss)	(109,945)
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<u>Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)</u>	
Interest on Notes Payable	(4,523)
Grants	341,973
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Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	337,450
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Change in Net Position	227,505
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Net Position Beginning of Year-(Restated see note 17)	(1,227,277)
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Net Position End of Year	\$ (999,772)
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**NewBridge Math and Reading Academy  
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Statement of Cash Flows  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015**

**Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents**

**Cash Flows from Operating Activities**

Cash Received from State	\$1,541,523
Cash Received from Other Operating Sources	48,604
Cash Payments to Employees for Services	(775,489)
Cash Payments for Employee Benefits	(185,900)
Cash Payments for Goods and Services	(769,236)
Other Cash Payments	(48,503)
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Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	(189,001)

**Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities**

Grants Received	378,537
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**Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities**

Cash Payments for Capital Assets	(3,812)
Interest Paid-Capital Lease Payable	(4,124)
Principal Payments-Construction Payable	(25,000)
Principal Payments-Capital Lease Payable	(5,142)
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Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Financing Activities	(38,078)

Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	151,458
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Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of Year	49,769
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<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 201,227</b>
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**Reconciliation of Operating Gain (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities**

Operating Gain (Loss)	\$ (109,945)
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Adjustments:

Depreciation	41,488
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Changes in Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Resources:

Accounts Receivable	3,876
Intergovernmental Receivable	(15,069)
Prepaid Rent	10,000
Accounts Payable	(45,639)
Intergovernmental Payable	(29,352)
Accrued Wages and Benefits	44,810
Net Pension Liability	(206,864)
Deferred Outflows	(81,105)
Deferred Inflows	198,799
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Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	<b>\$ (189,001)</b>
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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**NEWBRIDGE MATH AND READING PREPARATORY ACADEMY  
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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL AND REPORTING ENTITY**

NewBridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy (the School) is a state nonprofit corporation established pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Chapters 3314 and 1702 to maintain and provide a school exclusively for any educational, literary, scientific and related teaching service. The School, which is part of the State's education program, is independent of any school district. The School may sue and be sued, acquire facilities as needed, and contract for any services necessary for the operation of the School.

The School was approved for operation under contract with St. Aloysius Orphanage (the Sponsor) for a period of three years from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015. In June 2015, the School entered into a one-year agreement with the sponsor ending on June 30, 2016. The School operates under a self-appointing five-member Board of Directors (the Board). The School's Code of Regulations specify that vacancies that arise on the Board will be filled by the appointment of a successor director by a majority vote of the then existing directors. The Board is responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract with the Sponsor which includes, but is not limited to, state-mandated provisions regarding student population, curriculum, academic goals, performance standards, admission standards, and qualifications of teachers. The School has one instructional/support facility. The facility is staffed with teaching personnel who provide services to 143 students.

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements of the School have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental nonprofit organizations. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the School's accounting policies are described below.

**A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The School's basic financial statements consist of a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, and a Statement of Cash Flows.

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

**B. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

Enterprise accounting uses a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities are included on the Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net position. The Statement of Cash Flows reflects how the School finances and meets its cash flow needs.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. The accrual basis of accounting is utilized for reporting purposes.

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**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**B. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (Continued)**

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. Revenues resulting from non-exchange transactions, in which the School received value without directly giving equal value in return, such as grants, entitlements, and donations are recognized in the period in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

**C. BUDGETARY PROCESS**

Unlike traditional public schools located in the State of Ohio, community schools are not required to follow budgetary provisions set forth in Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705, unless specifically provided in the School's contract with its Sponsor. The contract between the School and its Sponsor requires a detailed school budget for each year of the contract; however, the budget does not have to follow the provisions of Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.

**D. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

All cash received by the School is maintained in a demand deposit account. The School did not have any investments during fiscal year 2015.

**E. CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION**

For purposes of recording capital assets, the Board has a capitalization threshold of \$1,000.

The capital assets are recorded on the accompanying Statement of Net Position at cost, net of accumulated depreciation of \$ 105,601. Depreciation is computed by the straight-line method over three years for "Furniture and Fixtures, Computers and Software", and five to twenty years for "Leasehold Improvements".

**F. INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES**

The School currently participates in the State Foundation Program, the State Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid (DPIA) Program, and the Career Based Intervention (CBI) Program, which are reflected under "State Aid" on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Revenues received from these programs are recognized as operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the School receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, entitlements, and contributions. Grants, entitlements, and contributions are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met.

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**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**F. INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES (Continued)**

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 School must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the School on a reimbursement basis. Amounts awarded under the above programs for the 2015 school year totaled \$1,530,198.

**G. OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES**

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

**H. NET POSITION**

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use, either through enabling legislation adopted by the School or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or contracts. The School applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

**I. USE OF ESTIMATES**

In preparing the financial statements, management is sometimes required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**J. PENSIONS**

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the pension plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension systems. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension systems report investments at fair value.

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**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**K. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

In addition to assets, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. For the School, deferred outflows of resources are reported on the statement of net position for pension. The deferred outflows of resources related to pension are explained in Note 5.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amounts become available. Deferred inflows of resources related to pension are reported on the statement of net position. (See Note 5).

**3. DEPOSITS**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the School's deposits may not be returned. The School does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At June 30 2015, the carrying amount of the School's deposits was \$201,227 and the bank balance was \$213,570. Of the bank balance, all was covered by federal depository insurance. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosure, \$0 was uninsured and uncollateralized.

**4. RISK MANAGEMENT**

**Property and Liability** - The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The School has contracted with the O'Neil Group for property and general liability insurance. The property insurance limits are \$1,000 deductible and \$385,000 aggregate. The general liability insurance limits are \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate. There has been no reduction in coverage over the prior year. There have been no settlements exceeding coverage in the last three years.

**Director and Officer** - Coverage has been purchased by the School with a \$1,000,000 aggregate limit and no deductible.

**Worker's Compensation** - The School is responsible for paying the State Workers Compensation System a premium for employee injury coverage.

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**5. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS**

**A. Net Pension Liability**

The net pension liability reported on the statement of net position represents a liability to employees for pensions. Pensions are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for pensions is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

The net pension liability represents the School's proportionate share of each pension plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

The Ohio Revised Code limits the School's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The School cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, the School does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pension.

GASB 68 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

The proportionate share of each plan's unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term *net pension liability* on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required pension contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in *intergovernmental payable* on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting.

**B. Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)**

Plan Description – School non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. 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 Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.



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**5. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

**B. Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS) (Continued)**

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

	Eligible to Retire on or before August 1, 2017*	Eligible to Retire on or after August 1, 2017*
Full Benefits	Any age with 30 years of service credit	Age 67 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 57 with 30 years of service credit
Actuarially Reduced Benefits	Age 60 with 5 years of service credit Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 60 with 25 years of service credit

\*Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017, will be included in this plan.

Annual retirement benefits are calculated based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on year of service; 2.2 percent for the first thirty years of service and 2.5 percent for years of service credit over 30. Final average salary is the average of the highest three years of salary.

One year after an effective benefit date, a benefit recipient is entitled to a three percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). This same COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit.

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the School is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 13.18 percent. The remaining 0.82 percent of the 14 percent employer contribution rate was allocated to the Health Care Fund.

The School's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$45,527 for fiscal year 2015.

**C. Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)**

Plan Description – School licensed teachers and other faculty members participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Web site at [www.strsoh.org](http://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. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service.

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**5. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

**C. Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) (Continued)**

Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation will be 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. With certain exceptions, the basic benefit is increased each year by two percent of the original base benefit. For members retiring August 1, 2013, or later, the first two percent is paid on the fifth anniversary of the retirement benefit. Members are eligible to retire at age 60 with five years of qualifying service credit, or age 55 with 25 years of service, or 30 years of service regardless of age. Age and service requirements for retirement will increase effective August 1, 2015, and will continue to increase periodically until they reach age 60 with 35 years of service or age 65 with five years of service on August 1, 2026.

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 9.5 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.5 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are allocated among investment choices by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of services. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50.

New members who choose the DC plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS plan. The optional annuitization of a member's defined contribution account or the defined contribution portion of a member's Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit that apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Funding Policy – Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. The statutory maximum employee contribution rate was increased one percent July 1, 2014, and will be increased one percent each year until it reaches 14 percent on July 1, 2016. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, plan members were required to contribute 12 percent of their annual covered salary. The School was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14

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**5. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

**C. Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) (Continued)**

percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The fiscal year 2015 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The School's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$101,284 for fiscal year 2015.

**D. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	<u>STRS</u>	<u>SERS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 904,208	\$ 194,188	\$ 1,098,396
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.00371743%	0.00383700%	
Pension Expense	\$ 43,950	\$ 13,691	\$ 57,641

At June 30, 2015, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>STRS</u>	<u>SERS</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 8,705	\$ 1,653	\$ 10,358
School contributions subsequent to the measurement date	101,284	45,527	146,811
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 109,989</u>	<u>\$ 47,180</u>	<u>\$ 157,169</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	<u>\$ 167,282</u>	<u>\$ 31,517</u>	<u>\$ 198,799</u>

\$146,811 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from School contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

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**5. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

**D. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)**

	STRS	SERS	Total
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:			
2016	\$ (39,644)	\$ (7,466)	\$ (47,110)
2017	(39,644)	(7,466)	(47,110)
2018	(39,644)	(7,466)	(47,110)
2019	(39,645)	(7,466)	(47,111)
	\$ (158,577)	\$ (29,864)	\$ (188,441)

**E. Actuarial Assumptions - SERS**

SERS' total pension liability was determined by their actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each defined benefit retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment termination). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2014, are presented below:

Wage Inflation	3.25 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	4.00 percent to 22 percent
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA	3 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.75 percent net of investments expense, including inflation
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal

For post-retirement mortality, the table used in evaluating allowances to be paid is the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table set back one year for both men and women. Special mortality tables are used for the period after disability retirement.

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**5. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

**E. Actuarial Assumptions – SERS (Continued)**

The most recent experience study was completed June 30, 2010.

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' *Statement of Investment Policy*. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted averaged of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major assets class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash	1.00 %	0.00 %
US Stocks	22.50	5.00
Non-US Stocks	22.50	5.50
Fixed Income	19.00	1.50
Private Equity	10.00	10.00
Real Assets	10.00	5.00
Multi-Asset Strategies	15.00	7.50
	100.00 %	

**F. Discount Rate**

The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earning were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.75 percent). Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefits to determine the total pension liability.

**G. Sensitivity of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate**

Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what each plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.75 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate.

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**5. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

	1% Decrease (6.75%)	Current Discount Rate (7.75%)	1% Increase (8.75%)
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 277,049	\$ 194,188	\$ 124,495

**H. Actuarial Assumptions - STRS**

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2014, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.75 percent
Projected salary increase	2.75 percent at 70 to 12.25 percent at age 20
Investment Rate of Return	7.75 percent, net of investment expenses
Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA)	2 percent simple applied as follows: for members retiring before August 1, 2013, 2 percent per year, for members retiring August 1, 2013, or later, 2 percent COLA paid on fifth anniversary of retirement date

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table (Projection 2022—Scale AA) for Males and Females. Males' ages are set-back two years through age 89 and no set-back for age 90 and above. Females younger than age 80 are set back four years, one year set back from age 80 through 89 and not set back from age 90 and above.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2014, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study, effective July 1, 2012.

The 10 year expected real rate of return on pension plan investments was determined by STRS' investment consultant by developing best estimates of expected future real rates of return for each major asset class. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Domestic Equity	31.00 %	8.00 %
International Equity	26.00	7.85
Alternatives	14.00	8.00
Fixed Income	18.00	3.75
Real Estate	10.00	6.75
Liquidity Reserves	<u>1.00</u>	3.00
	<u>100.00 %</u>	

**I. Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent as of June 30, 2014. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not

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**I. Discount Rate (Continued)**

Included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2014. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.75 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2014.

**J. Sensitivity of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate**

The following table presents the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.75 percent, as well as what the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.75 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.75%)	Current Discount Rate (7.75%)	1% Increase (8.75%)
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,294,472	\$ 904,208	\$ 574,175

**6. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**A. School Employees Retirement System**

Health Care Plan Description – NewBridge contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 45 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. The Health Care Plan includes hospitalization and physicians' fees through several types of plans including HMO's, PPO's, Medicare Advantage, and traditional indemnity plans as well as a prescription drug program. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Health care is financed through a combination of employer contributions and retiree premiums, copays and deductibles on covered health care expenses, investment returns, and any funds received as a result of SERS' participation in Medicare programs. 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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**6. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)**

**A. School Employees Retirement System (Continued)**

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required basic benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. For fiscal year 2015, 0.82 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. For fiscal year 2015, this amount was \$20,450. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge.

The School's contributions for health care (including surcharge) for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$4,801, \$1,016 and \$79, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013.

**B. State Teachers Retirement System**

Plan Description – NewBridge participates in 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 law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org) or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy – Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. All benefit recipients, for the most recent year, pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For fiscal year 2015, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care. The School's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013 were \$0, \$1,421 and \$1,421 respectively. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013.



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**7. CONTINGENCIES**

**A. GRANTS**

Amounts received from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor. Any disallowed costs may require refunding to the grantor. Amounts which may be disallowed, if any, are not presently determinable. However, in the opinion of the School, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the School.

**B. FULL TIME EQUIVALENCY**

School District Foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. Effective for the 2014-2015 school year, community schools must comply with minimum hours of instruction, instead of minimum number of school days each year. The funding formula the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to follow will continue to adjust as enrollment information is updated by the School, which can extend past the fiscal year end. As of the date of this report, ODE has not finalized the impact of enrollment adjustments to the June 30, 2015 Foundation funding for the School; therefore, the financial statement impact is not determinable at this time. ODE and management believe this will result in either a receivable to or a liability of the School.

**8. FEDERAL TAX STATUS**

The School began the process of filing for tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. In the interim, the School has begun the process to file IRS Form 990, "Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax".

**9. SPONSORSHIP FEES**

The School contracts with St. Aloysius to be its sponsor effective July 1, 2012. The contract states "...the annual sponsorship fee to be paid to St. Aloysius be set at 3% of the State's annual School Foundation support..." The Sponsor is to provide oversight, monitoring, and technical assistance for the School. Amount paid to St. Aloysius for fiscal year 2015 was \$45,495. In June 2015, the School entered into a one-year agreement with the sponsor ending on June 30, 2016.

**10. LONG-TERM DEBT**

At June 30, 2015, the School has a balance from Innovative Construction Concepts totaling \$45,000. The vendor performed leasehold Improvements on the building. The vendor is allowing the school to pay the contract as funds become available with no interest due. Principal payments totaled \$25,000 during the year. Also, the School has Net Pension Liability for STRS and SERS activity as follows.

	<b>Amount</b>			<b>Amount</b>
	<b>Outstanding</b>			<b>Outstanding</b>
	<b>6/30/2014</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Reductions</b>	<b>6/30/2015</b>
Construction Payable	\$ 70,000	\$ -	\$ (25,000)	\$ 45,000
STRS	1,077,086	-	(172,878)	904,208
SERS	228,174	-	(33,986)	194,188

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**11. CAPITAL ASSETS**

A summary of the School's capital assets at June 30, 2015, follows:

	Balance 06/30/14	Additions	Deletions	Balance 06/30/15
Depreciable Capital Assets:				
Furniture and Fixtures	\$ 100,338	\$ 3,812	\$ -	\$ 104,150
Leasehold Improvements	95,000	-	-	95,000
Total Capital Assets being Depreciated	195,338	3,812	-	199,150
Less Accumulated Depreciation				
Furniture and Fixtures	(14,061)	(22,488)	-	(36,549)
Leasehold Improvements	(38,000)	(19,000)	-	(57,000)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(52,061)	(41,488)	-	(93,549)
Total Capital Assets being Depreciated, Net	\$ 143,277	\$ (37,676)	\$ -	\$ 105,601

**12. CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS**

The school entered into a capitalized lease for the acquisition of a copier totaling \$6,500 during fiscal year 2014. The School paid \$1,385 in principal and \$1,003 in interest for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

The school entered into a capitalized lease for the acquisition of a playground totaling \$23,880 during fiscal year 2014. The School paid \$3,757 in principal and \$3,520 in interest for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

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**12. CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS (continued)**

Future lease payments, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

Year ending June 30:	Playground Lease	Copier Lease
2016	\$ 7,277	\$ 2,388
2017	7,277	2,388
2018	7,277	395
2019	1,204	-
Subtotal	23,035	5,171
Less: Amount Representing Interest	(5,565)	(1,018)
Present Value of minimum payments	<u>\$ 17,470</u>	<u>\$ 4,153</u>

Prior year lease was understated by \$ 5,538, the amount of the copier lease.

**13. PURCHASED SERVICES**

For the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, purchased service expenses were for the following services:

Professional Services	\$ 245,348
Property Services	238,109
Travel and Professional Development	2,019
Communications	15,728
Utilities	22,312
Contract Trade	138,364
Transportation	2,987
Total	<u>\$ 664,867</u>

**14. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLES**

At June 30, 2015, the school had various accounts receivable. Accounts receivable represent amounts due from vendors during the course of operations. Intergovernmental receivables consist of federal assistance (CCIP), net payroll taxes receivables and payables, and state foundation receivable which eligibility requirements have been met (earned) at June 30, 2015, but the cash was not received by year end.

**15. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

At June 30, 2015, the School had accounts payable totaling \$42,327 due to various vendors during the normal course of conducting operations.

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**16. ACCRUED WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Accrued wages and benefits were \$110,123 at June 30, 2015 which represents wages, with associated benefits, earned and not paid at June 30, 2015 for certain School teachers paid over a 12 month period.

**17. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the School has implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, GASB Statement No. 69, *Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations* and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*.

GASB Statement No. 68 requires recognition of the entire net pension liability and a more comprehensive measure of pension expense for defined benefit pensions and defined contribution pensions provided to the employees of state and local governmental employers through pension plans that are administered through trusts or equivalent arrangements. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 resulted in the inclusion of net pension liability and pension expense components on the full-accrual financial statements. See below for the effect on net position as previously reported.

GASB Statement No. 69 addresses accounting and financial reporting for government combinations (including mergers, acquisitions and transfers of operations) and disposals of government operations. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 69 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the School.

GASB Statement No. 71 amends paragraph 137 of GASB Statement No. 68 to require that, at transition, a government recognize a beginning deferred outflow of resources for its pension contributions, if any, made subsequent to the measurement date of the beginning net pension liability. The provisions of this Statement are required to be applied simultaneously with the provisions of Statement 68. See below for the effect on net position as previously reported.

Net Position June 30, 2014	\$	12,640
Capital Asset		(10,718)
Deferred Outflows of Resources		76,061
Net Pension Liability		<u>(1,305,260)</u>
Restated Net Position, July 1, 2014	\$	<u><u>(1,227,277)</u></u>

Other than employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date, the School made no restatement for deferred inflows/outflows of resources as the information needed to generate these restatements was not available.

**18. OPERATING LEASES – LESSEE DISCLOSURE**

The School leases space from Hillo Real Estate, LLC located at 3850 Sullivant Avenue beginning August 1, 2013 for three (3) years and ending July 31, 2015. The School pays a monthly payment of \$10,000. Total paid for fiscal year 2015 was \$120,000.

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*Required Supplementary Information*  
*Schedule of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability*  
*Last Two Fiscal Years (1)*

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)</b>		
School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.00371743%	0.00371743%
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 904,208	\$ 1,077,086
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 448,085	\$ 153,000
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	201.79%	703.98%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	74.70%	69.30%
<b>School Employees Retirement System (SERS)</b>		
School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.00383700%	0.00383700%
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 194,188	\$ 228,174
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 128,521	\$ 49,220
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	151.09%	463.58%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	71.70%	65.52%
(1) Information prior to 2013 is not available.		
Note: The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date.		

**NewBridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy**  
**Franklin County, Ohio**  
*Required Supplementary Information*  
*Schedule of School Contributions*  
*Last Three Fiscal Years (1)*

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b><i>State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)</i></b>			
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 101,284	\$ 58,251	\$ 19,890
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	(101,284)	(58,251)	(19,890)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 723,457	\$ 448,085	\$ 153,000
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	14.00%	13.00%	13.00%
<b><i>School Employees Retirement System (SERS)</i></b>			
Contractually required contribution	\$ 45,527	\$ 17,813	\$ 6,812
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(45,527)	(17,813)	(6,812)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 345,425	\$ 128,521	\$ 49,220
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	13.18%	13.86%	13.84%
(1) Information prior to 2013 is not available.			

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

Newbridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy  
Franklin County  
3850 Sullivant Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43228

To the Board of Directors:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the Newbridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy, Franklin County, (the School) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 29, 2016. We noted the School adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27* and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*.

***Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the School's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinion on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

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 a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the School's financial statements. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, unidentified material weaknesses may exist.


***Compliance and Other Matters***

As part of reasonably assuring whether the School'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, opining 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 Academy's management in a separate letter dated January 29, 2016.

***Purpose of this Report***

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the School's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



***Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc.***  
January 29, 2016



**Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures**

Newbridge Math and Reading Preparatory Academy  
Franklin County  
3850 Sullivant Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43228

To the Board of Directors:

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

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

1. In the prior report dated December 31, 2014, it was noted the Board adopted an anti-harassment policy on November 14, 2012. However, this policy did not include all matters required by Ohio Rev. Code 3313.666.
2. The Board amended the policy on September 17, 2014. We read the amended policy, noting it now includes all the requirements listed in Ohio Rev. Code 3313.666.

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

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

*Charles E. Harris & Associates*

**Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc.**  
January 29, 2016

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**NEWBRIDGE MATH AND READING PREPARATORY ACADEMY**

**FRANKLIN COUNTY**

## **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
MAY 19, 2016**