

**YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO**

AUDIT REPORT

**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2015**

James G. Zupka, CPA, Inc.
Certified Public Accountants



Dave Yost • Auditor of State

Members of the Board
Youngstown Community School
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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Youngstown Community School, Mahoning County, prepared by James G. Zupka, CPA, 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 Youngstown Community School is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Dave Yost
Auditor of State

January 28, 2016

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT

Members of the Board
Youngstown Community School
Youngstown, Ohio 44502

The Honorable Dave Yost
Auditor of State
State of Ohio

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Youngstown Community School, Mahoning 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 the School’s basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor’s Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the School’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Youngstown Community School, Ohio’s internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Youngstown Community School, Ohio, as of June 30, 2015, and the changes in financial position and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As described in Note 3 to the basic financial statements, the School adopted the provisions of 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*, and restated its net position at July 1, 2014. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, Schedules of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, Schedules of School Contributions, and Notes to the Required Supplementary Information as listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting 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 assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 4, 2015, on our consideration of the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on 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 the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

James G. Zupka,
CPA, President
James G. Zupka, CPA, Inc.
Certified Public Accountants

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

The discussion and analysis of the Youngstown Community School's (the "School") financial performance provides an overall review of the School's 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.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2015 are as follows:

- In total, net position increased \$591,735 which represents a 40.09% increase from 2014's restated net position.
- The School had operating revenues of \$2,745,422 and operating expenses of \$3,144,793 during fiscal year 2015. The School also received \$903,420 in federal and State grants, \$122,000 in donations, and \$2,921 in interest income and \$37,235 in interest and fiscal charges during fiscal year 2015. The total change in net position for the fiscal year was an increase of \$591,735.

Using these Basic Financial Statements

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the School's financial activities. The statement of net position and statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position provide information about the activities of the School, including all short-term and long-term financial resources and obligations.

Reporting the School Financial Activities

Statement of Net Position; Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position; and Statement of Cash Flows

These statements look at all financial transactions and ask the question, "How did the School do financially during fiscal year 2015?" The statement of net position and the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position answer this question. These statements include all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, revenues and expenses using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the School's net position and change in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the School as a whole, 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. These statements can be found on pages 11 and 12 of this report.

The statement of cash flows provides information about how the School finances and meets the cash flow needs of its operations. The statement of cash flows can be found on page 13 of this report.

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements. These notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 14-33 of this report.

Required Supplementary Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the School's net pension liability. The required supplementary information can be found on pages 34 through 40 of this report.

The table below provides a summary of the School's net position at June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014. The net position at June 30, 2014 has been restated as described in Note 3.

	Net Position	
	Governmental Activities <u>2015</u>	Restated Governmental Activities <u>2014</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Current assets	\$ 2,068,216	\$ 1,785,518
Capital assets, net	<u>2,282,690</u>	<u>2,441,179</u>
Total assets	<u>4,350,906</u>	<u>4,226,697</u>
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>		
Pension	<u>246,954</u>	<u>231,663</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>246,954</u>	<u>231,663</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Current liabilities	683,630	727,762
Non-current liabilities:		
Net pension liability	3,944,930	4,688,652
Other amounts	<u>138,363</u>	<u>517,806</u>
Total liabilities	<u>4,766,923</u>	<u>5,934,220</u>
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>		
Pensions	<u>715,062</u>	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>715,062</u>	-
<u>Net Position</u>		
Net investment in capital assets	1,876,130	1,651,854
Restricted	140,355	99,473
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(2,900,610)</u>	<u>(3,227,187)</u>
Total net position (restated)	<u>\$ (884,125)</u>	<u>\$ (1,475,860)</u>

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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 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.

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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 \$2,981,129 to \$(1,475,860).

Over time, net position can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2015, the School's liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources exceeded assets plus deferred outflows of resources by \$884,125.

At year-end, capital assets represented 52.46% of total assets. Capital assets consisted of buildings and improvements, and furniture and equipment. Capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending. The School's net investment in capital assets at June 30, 2015 was \$1,876,130. A portion of the School's net position, \$140,355, represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position is a deficit of (\$2,900,610).

The table below shows the change in net position for fiscal years 2015 and 2014. The net position at June 30, 2014 has been restated as described in Note 3.A.

	Change in Net Position		
	<u>2015</u>	<u>Restated 2014</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
<u>Operating Revenues:</u>			
Foundation payments	\$ 2,705,225	\$ 2,475,516	9.28 %
Charges for services	7,227	11,202	(35.48) %
Other	<u>32,970</u>	<u>44,623</u>	(26.11) %
Total operating revenues	<u>2,745,422</u>	<u>2,531,341</u>	8.46 %
<u>Operating Expenses:</u>			
Salaries and wages	1,702,731	1,829,387	(6.92) %
Fringe benefits	543,089	510,622	6.36 %
Contract services	446,708	475,094	(5.97) %
Materials and supplies	265,689	189,566	40.16 %
Other	26,716	32,047	(16.63) %
Depreciation	<u>159,860</u>	<u>161,343</u>	(0.92) %
Total operating expenses	<u>3,144,793</u>	<u>3,198,059</u>	(1.67) %
<u>Non-operating Revenues (Expenses):</u>			
Federal and State grants	903,420	769,360	17.42 %
Donations	122,000	160,871	(24.16) %
Interest income	2,921	2,919	0.07 %
Interest and fiscal charges	(37,235)	(59,640)	(37.57) %
Loss on disposal of capital assets	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,602)</u>	100.00 %
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>991,106</u>	<u>870,908</u>	13.80 %
Change in net position	591,735	204,190	189.80 %
Net position at beginning of year (restated)	<u>(1,475,860)</u>	<u>(1,680,050)</u>	(12.15) %
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ (884,125)</u>	<u>\$ (1,475,860)</u>	(40.09) %

The information necessary to restate the 2014 beginning balances and the 2014 pension expense amounts for the effects

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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of the initial implementation of GASB 68 is not available. Therefore, 2014 operating expenses still include pension expense of \$231,663 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 \$165,750.

Consequently, in order to compare 2015 total operating expenses to 2014, the following adjustments are needed:

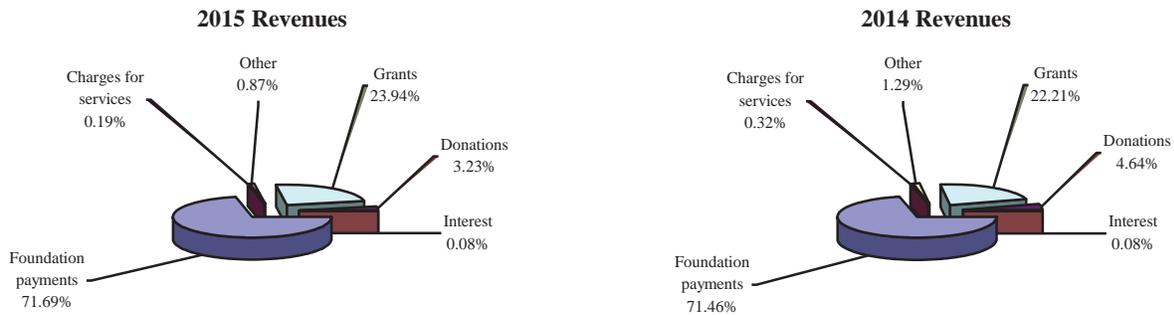
Total 2015 operating expenses under GASB 68	\$ 3,144,793
Pension expense under GASB 68	(165,750)
2015 contractually required contributions	<u>209,701</u>
Adjusted 2015 operating expenses	3,188,744
Total 2014 operating expenses under GASB 27	<u>3,198,059</u>
Decrease in operating expenses not related to pension	<u>\$ (9,315)</u>

During fiscal year 2015, the School's net position increased by \$591,735 from a restated deficit of \$1,475,860 to a deficit of \$884,125. This increase in net position is the result of steady revenues continuing to outpace the School's expenses in fiscal year 2015.

The slight increase in overall revenues is due to a slight increase in federal and State grant funding, as well as an increase in foundation payments received by the School during fiscal year 2015.

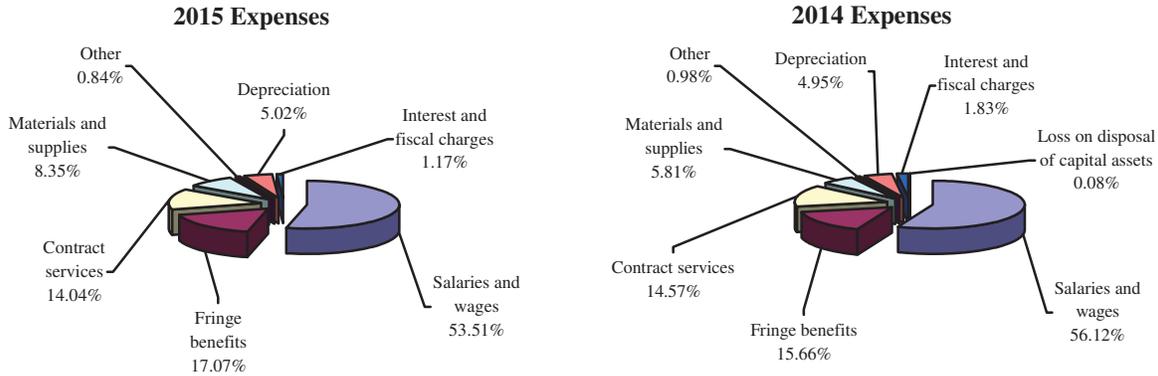
The minor decrease in overall expenses is a result of the School's effort to maintain financial stability through conservative spending.

The charts below illustrate the revenues and expenses for the School during fiscal years 2015 and 2014.



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Capital Assets

At June 30, 2015, the School had \$2,282,690 in buildings and improvements, and furniture and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation. See Note 5 to the basic financial statements for detail on capital assets.

Debt Administration

At June 30, 2015, the School had \$406,560 in capital lease obligations outstanding, with the full amount due within one year. See Note 7 to the basic financial statements for detail on debt administration.

Current Financial Related Activities

The School was founded by Developing Potential, Inc., which is now known as Sister Jerome’s Schools, Inc. The School currently operates as an independent, non-profit Ohio public charter school, sponsored by the Mahoning County Educational Service Center.

The School is funded through the State’s foundation program, as it has no tax base to draw upon and cannot charge tuition, levy taxes, or issue bonds secured by tax revenues. The School may apply for grants and solicit funding support from public and private sources. The School currently participates in the federal Title I program, Title II-A, and Special Education IDEA Part B.

Students benefit to a great degree from federal programs, which enhance the overall curriculum. The School will aggressively pursue adequate funding to secure the financial stability of the School.

Contacting the School’s Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our clients and creditors with a general overview of the School’s finances and to show the School’s accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact: Ms. Michelle Murphy, Treasurer, Youngstown Community School, 50 Essex Street, Youngstown, Ohio, 44502.

**BASIC
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2015

Assets:	
Current assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,865,179
Receivables:	
Accounts	257
Intergovernmental.	194,115
Prepayments	8,371
Materials and supplies inventory.	<u>294</u>
Total current assets	<u>2,068,216</u>
Non-current assets:	
Depreciable capital assets, net	<u>2,282,690</u>
Total assets.	<u>4,350,906</u>
Deferred outflows of resources:	
Pension - STRS	192,549
Pension - SERS	<u>54,405</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>246,954</u>
Liabilities:	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable.	698
Accrued wages and benefits	221,893
Pension obligation payable.	35,536
Intergovernmental payable	18,943
Capital lease obligation.	<u>406,560</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>683,630</u>
Non-current liabilities:	
Compensated absences payable	138,363
Net pension liability	<u>3,944,930</u>
Total non-current liabilities	<u>4,083,293</u>
Total liabilities	<u>4,766,923</u>
Deferred inflows of resources:	
Pension - STRS.	609,495
Pension - SERS.	<u>105,567</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>715,062</u>
Net position:	
Investment in capital assets.	1,876,130
Restricted for:	
Federal programs	79,182
Other purposes	61,173
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(2,900,610)</u>
Total net position (deficit)	<u>\$ (884,125)</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND
CHANGES IN NET POSITION
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Operating revenues:	
Foundation payments	\$ 2,705,225
Charges for services.	7,227
Other	32,970
Total operating revenues	<u>2,745,422</u>
 Operating expenses:	
Salaries and wages.	1,702,731
Fringe benefits.	543,089
Contract services	446,708
Materials and supplies	265,689
Other.	26,716
Depreciation	159,860
Total operating expenses.	<u>3,144,793</u>
Operating loss	<u>(399,371)</u>
 Non-operating revenues (expenses):	
Federal and State grants.	903,420
Interest income	2,921
Donations.	122,000
Interest and fiscal charges	(37,235)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	<u>991,106</u>
 Change in net position	 591,735
Net position (deficit) at beginning	
of year (restated)	<u>(1,475,860)</u>
Net position (deficit) at end of year	<u>\$ (884,125)</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Cash flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from State foundation payments	\$ 2,703,889
Cash received from charges for services	7,227
Cash received from other operations	21,157
Cash payments for personal services	(2,312,712)
Cash payments for contract services	(448,240)
Cash payments for materials and supplies.	(265,983)
Cash payments for other operations	(27,556)
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Net cash used in operating activities	(322,218)
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Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:	
Federal and State grants	843,411
Donations	122,000
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Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities.	965,411
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Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:	
Acquisition of capital assets.	(1,371)
Principal retirement.	(382,765)
Interest and fiscal charges.	(37,235)
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Net cash used in capital and related financing activities.	(421,371)
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Cash flows from investing activities:	
Interest received	2,921
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Net cash provided by investing activities	2,921
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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents.	224,743
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year.	1,640,436
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 1,865,179
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Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:	
Operating loss	\$ (399,371)
Adjustments:	
Depreciation	159,860
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Increase in materials and supplies inventory	(294)
Decrease in accounts receivable	270
Decrease in intergovernmental receivable	3,216
Increase in prepayments	(1,138)
Increase in deferred outflows - Pension - STRS.	(12,645)
Increase in deferred outflows - Pension - SERS.	(2,646)
Decrease in accounts payable.	(3,778)
Decrease in accrued wages and benefits	(13,993)
Increase in intergovernmental payable	2,170
Decrease in compensated absences payable.	(23,510)
Decrease in pension obligation payable	(1,699)
Decrease in net pension liability	(743,722)
Increase in deferred inflows - Pension - STRS	609,495
Increase in deferred inflows - Pension - SERS	105,567
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Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (322,218)
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SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL

Youngstown Community School (the "School") is a school as provided for by Ohio Revised Code Chapters 3314 and 1702 within the Youngstown City School District. The School, which is part of the State's education program, is independent of any school district and is nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations. The Youngstown Community School may sue and be sued in its own name, acquire facilities as needed, and contract for services necessary for the operation of the School.

The creation of the School was initially proposed to the Ohio Department of Education by Developing Potential, Inc., which is now known as Sister Jerome's Schools, Inc., on July 17, 1998. The Ohio Department of Education approved the proposal and entered into a contract with Developing Potential, Inc., which provided for the commencement of School operations on September 8, 1998. On July 2, 2001, the School became its own incorporation. The School operates as an independent non-profit Ohio public charter school.

The School operates under a fifteen-member Board of Developers (the "Board"). The Board is responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract which include, but are not limited to, State-mandated provisions regarding student population, curriculum, academic goals, performance standards, and qualifications of teachers. The Board controls the School's one instructional/support facility staffed by 37 certified personnel and 12 classified personnel to provide services to 348 students.

The School participates in a jointly governed organization, the Area Cooperative Computerized Educational Service System. This organization is discussed in Note 16 to the basic financial statements.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

A. Basis of Presentation

Enterprise fund accounting is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent is that the costs (expenses) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or where it has been decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

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

B. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Enterprise fund accounting uses a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources 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 total net position. Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made. The accrual basis of accounting is used for reporting purposes. Revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

C. Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources, represents 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 have been reported for the following two items related the School's net pension liability: (1) the difference between expected and actual experience of the pension systems, and (2) the School's contributions to the pension systems subsequent to the measurement date.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position reports 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.

The School also reports a deferred inflow of resources for the net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments related to the School's net pension liability.

D. Budgetary Process

Unlike other public schools located in the State of Ohio, community schools are not required to follow budgetary provisions set forth in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705, unless specifically provided in the School's contract with its Sponsor. The contract between the School and its Sponsor does not formally prescribe a budgetary process for the School, but the School is required to adopt a five-year spending plan in accordance with State statute and to submit an annual budget at the request of the Board.

E. Cash and Investments

The School maintains two depository accounts and a repurchase agreement. All funds of the School are maintained in these accounts. The depository accounts and repurchase agreement are presented on the statement of net position as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents". During fiscal year 2015, investments were limited to the repurchase agreement, which is reported at cost.

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

F. Capital Assets and Depreciation

Capital assets are capitalized at cost and updated for additions and deletions during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market value as of the date donated. The School maintains a capitalization threshold of \$500. The School does not have any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized.

All capital assets are depreciated. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. The building is depreciated over an estimated useful life of thirty years. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Equipment is depreciated over five to ten years.

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. Intergovernmental Revenues

The School currently participates in the State foundation program, the Federal Part B IDEA program, the Federal Title I program, the Federal Race to the Top program, and various other State and federal grant programs. Revenues received from the State foundation program are recognized as operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met. Other grants and entitlements are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met.

Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the fiscal year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is permitted, matching requirements, in which the School must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expense requirements, in which the resources are provided to the School on a reimbursement basis.

The Ohio Department of Education conducts reviews of enrollment data and full-time equivalency (FTE) calculations made by the School. These reviews are conducted to ensure the School is reporting accurate enrollment data to the State, upon which State foundation funding is calculated. The review identifies the amount of any overpayment or underpayment to the School. As a result of the review, the School is entitled to \$3,617 from the Ohio Department of Education. This amount is reflected as an intergovernmental receivable on the basic financial statements.

I. 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 School will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. Employees of the School cannot carry over vacation balances from one year to the next. Therefore, the liability for compensated absences payable reported on the statement of net position does not include a component for vacation liability.

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

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those the School has identified as probable of receiving payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employees' wage rates at fiscal year-end, taking into consideration any limits specified in the School's termination policy. The total liability reported on the statement of net position for compensated absences payable is \$138,363.

J. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources. The net position component "net investment in capital assets," consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing or liabilities used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets or related debt also should be included in this component of net position. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. The amount restricted for other purposes represents amounts restricted for food service operations.

The School applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

K. Prepayments

Certain payments to vendors reflect the costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in the financial statements. These items are reported as assets on the statement of net position using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amounts is recorded at the time of the purchase and the expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed.

L. Inventory

On the financial statements, purchased inventories are presented at the lower of cost or market. Inventories are recorded on a first-in, first-out basis and are expensed when used. Inventories are accounted for using the consumption method and consist of general instructional, office and custodial materials and supplies. The School had no inventory as of June 30, 2015.

M. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP 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.

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

N. 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.

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2015, the School has implemented 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. 69 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards related to government combinations and disposals of government operations. The Statement improves the decision usefulness of financial reporting by requiring that disclosures be made by governments about combination arrangements in which they engage and for 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. 68 improves the accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for pensions. It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for pensions that is provided by other entities. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 affected the School's pension plan disclosures, as presented in Note 11 to the financial statements, and added required supplementary information which is presented on pages 34-40.

GASB Statement No. 71 improves the accounting and financial reporting by addressing an issue in GASB Statement No. 68, concerning transition provisions related to certain pension contributions made to defined benefit pension plans prior to implementation of that Statement by employers and nonemployer contributing entities.

A net position restatement is required in order to implement GASB Statement No 68 and 71. The net position at July 1, 2014 has been restated as follows:

Net position as previously reported	\$ 2,981,129
Deferred outflows - payments subsequent to measurement date	231,663
Net pension liability	<u>(4,688,652)</u>
 Restated net position at July 1, 2014	 <u>\$ (1,475,860)</u>

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NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE - (Continued)

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. The restatement had no effect on fund balances.

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

A. Cash on Hand

At fiscal year-end, the School had \$150 in undeposited cash on hand, which is included in the basic financial statements as part of "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents".

B. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At June 30, 2015, the carrying amount of all School deposits was \$244,485. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of June 30, 2015, \$28,341 of the School's bank balance of \$278,341 was exposed to custodial credit risk, while \$250,000 was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

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

C. Investments

As of June 30, 2015, the School had the following investment and maturity:

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Investment Maturity</u> <u>6 months or less</u>
Repurchase agreement	\$ 1,620,544	\$ 1,620,544

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

Credit Risk: The School's investment in the federal agency securities that underlie the repurchase agreement, was rated AA+ and Aaa by Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investor Services, respectively. The School's investment policy does not specifically address credit risk beyond requiring the School to only invest in securities authorized by State statute.

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NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

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

Concentration of Credit Risk: The School places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the School at June 30, 2015:

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Repurchase agreement	\$ 1,620,544	100.00

D. Reconciliation of Cash and Cash Equivalents to the Statement of Net Position

The following is a reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents as reported in the note above to cash and cash equivalents as reported on the statement of net position as of June 30, 2015:

<u>Cash and cash equivalents per note</u>	
Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 244,485
Investment	1,620,544
Cash on hand	<u>150</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,865,179</u>
<u>Cash and cash equivalents per statement of net position</u>	<u>\$ 1,865,179</u>

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NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	<u>Balance July 1, 2014</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2015</u>
<u>Capital assets:</u>				
<i>Capital assets, being depreciated:</i>				
Buildings and improvements	\$ 4,105,953	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,105,953
Furniture and equipment	<u>291,123</u>	<u>1,371</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>292,494</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>4,397,076</u>	<u>1,371</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,398,447</u>
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation:</i>				
Buildings and improvements	(1,779,245)	(136,865)	-	(1,916,110)
Furniture and equipment	<u>(176,652)</u>	<u>(22,995)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(199,647)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,955,897)</u>	<u>(159,860)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,115,757)</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 2,441,179</u>	<u>\$ (158,489)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,282,690</u>

NOTE 6 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2015 consisted of accounts (billings for user charged services and student fees) and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. All intergovernmental receivables are considered collectible in full due to the stable condition of State programs and the current year guarantee of federal funds. A list of the receivables reported on the statement of net position follows:

Accounts	\$ 257
Intergovernmental	<u>194,115</u>
Total	<u>\$ 194,372</u>

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

NOTE 7 - CAPITAL LEASES

In a prior fiscal year, the School entered into a lease agreement with Developing Potential, Inc., which is now known as Sister Jerome's Schools, Inc., for its building. The School's lease agreement meets the criteria of a capital lease as defined by generally accepted accounting principles, which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee. The building has been capitalized in the amount of \$4,105,953, which is the present value of the minimum lease payments at the inception of the lease. The net book value of the building as of June 30, 2015 was \$2,189,843.

During fiscal year 2015, the School made principal and interest payments in the amounts of \$382,765 and \$37,235, respectively.

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NOTE 7 - CAPITAL LEASES - (Continued)

The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the capital lease and the present value of the minimum lease payments:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	
2016	
Total future minimum lease payments	\$ 420,000
Less: amount representing interest	<u>(13,440)</u>
Present value of future minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 406,560</u>

At June 30, 2015, a liability for the capital lease obligation in the amount of \$406,560 is reported on the statement of net position. The outstanding balance is current and due within one year.

NOTE 8 - LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS

During the fiscal year 2015, the following changes occurred in long-term obligations. The long-term obligations at June 30, 2014 have been restated as described in Note 3.

	Restated Balance <u>July 1, 2014</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	Balance <u>June 30, 2015</u>	Due in <u>One Year</u>
Compensated absences	\$ 161,573	\$ -	\$ (23,210)	\$ 138,363	\$ -
Capital lease obligation	789,325	-	(382,765)	406,560	406,560
Net pension liability	<u>4,688,652</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(743,722)</u>	<u>3,944,930</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 5,639,550</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (1,149,697)</u>	<u>\$ 4,489,853</u>	<u>\$ 406,560</u>

Compensated absences - See Note 9 for detail.

Capital lease - See Note 7 for detail.

Net pension liability - See Note 11 for detail.

NOTE 9 - OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The criteria for determining vacation leave and sick leave benefits are derived from School policies and State laws. Classified employees earn ten to twenty days of vacation per year, depending upon length of service. Accumulated unused vacation time is paid to classified employees upon termination of employment, but does not carry forward from year to year. Teachers do not earn vacation time. Certified and classified employees earn sick leave at a rate of 1.25 days per month in a twelve-month period. Certified employees can accumulate a sick leave balance up to a maximum of 180 days and are paid 25% of this balance. Classified employees can accumulate a sick leave balance up to a maximum of 180 days and are paid 25% of this balance. Upon retirement, and with a minimum of ten years' service, employees receive a severance payment based on these criteria.

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NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Property and Liability

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. For fiscal year 2015, the School contracted with Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company for general and professional liability insurance with a \$1,000,000 each occurrence limit, \$3,000,000 annual aggregate, a \$0 deductible for general liability insurance, and a \$5,000 deductible for professional liability insurance. The School contracted with Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company for business personal property with a limit of \$700,000 at 50 Essex Street, a limit of \$30,000 at 44 Essex Street, and a \$1,000 deductible. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from the prior year.

B. Workers' Compensation Rating Plan

For fiscal year 2015, the School participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the School by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participants is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all participants in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate.

Participation in the GRP is limited to participants that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of CompManagement, Inc. provides administrative, cost control, and actuarial services to the GRP.

C. Employee Benefits

The School has contracted with the Mahoning County Schools Employee Insurance Consortium (See Note 17) for employee medical, prescription drug, dental, and vision benefits, which are provided through Medical Mutual. The School has also contracted with Anthem Life for life insurance benefits. The School pays 90% of the monthly premium for single coverage. An employee may add a spouse or child or family, but the employee pays 75% of the monthly premium.

NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

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.

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NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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 *pension obligation payable* on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting.

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 under Employers/Audit Resources.

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.

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NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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 \$48,869 for fiscal year 2015.

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.

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. 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.

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NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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 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 \$160,832 for fiscal year 2015.

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>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 650,432	\$ 3,294,498	\$ 3,944,930
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.01285200%	0.01354453%	
Pension Expense	\$ 37,955	\$ 127,795	\$ 165,750

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NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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

	SERS	STRS	Total
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 5,536	\$ 31,717	\$ 37,253
School contributions subsequent to the measurement date	48,869	160,832	209,701
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 54,405	\$ 192,549	\$ 246,954
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$ 105,567	\$ 609,495	\$ 715,062
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 105,567	\$ 609,495	\$ 715,062

\$212,741 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 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:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:			
2016	\$ (25,008)	\$ (144,445)	\$ (169,453)
2017	(25,008)	(144,445)	(169,453)
2018	(25,008)	(144,445)	(169,453)
2019	(25,007)	(144,443)	(169,450)
Total	\$ (100,031)	\$ (577,778)	\$ (677,809)

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.

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NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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.

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:

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NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
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	<u>15.00</u>	7.50
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

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.

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.

	<u>1% Decrease (6.75%)</u>	<u>Discount Rate (7.75%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.75%)</u>
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 927,974	\$ 650,432	\$ 416,996

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 increases	2.75 percent at age 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.

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NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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
Total	<u><u>100.00 %</u></u>	

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 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.

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NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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	\$ 4,716,434	\$ 3,294,498	\$ 2,092,020

NOTE 12 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. School Employees Retirement System

Health Care Plan Description - The School 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 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.

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. For fiscal year 2015, the School's surcharge obligation was \$6,612.

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NOTE 12 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)

The School's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$9,657, \$7,825, and \$7,048, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013.

B. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description – The School 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 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, \$14,155, and \$14,940 respectively. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013.

NOTE 13 - CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

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

B. Litigation

The School is not party to legal proceedings which, in the opinion of School management, will have a material effect, if any, on the financial condition of the School.

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NOTE 14 - CONTRACT SERVICES

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, contract services expenses were as follows:

Professional and technical services	\$ 157,805
Property services	93,656
Travel expenses	1,566
Communications	7,476
Utilities	69,333
Contracted services	108,886
Pupil transportation	<u>7,986</u>
Total	<u>\$ 446,708</u>

NOTE 15 - FEDERAL TAX EXEMPT STATUS

On March 14, 2002, the School was granted status as an exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and is exempt from federal income taxes. Management is not aware of any course of action or series of events that have occurred that might adversely affect the School's tax exempt status.

NOTE 16 - JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATION

The Area Cooperative Computerized Educational Service System (ACCESS) is a computer network which provides data services to twenty-six school districts, two educational service centers, twenty non-public schools, and two special education regional resource centers. 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 among member schools. Each of the member schools supports ACCESS based upon a per-pupil charge, which was \$44.75 for fiscal year 2015. The Youngstown Community School fee was \$14,365 for fiscal year 2015. Of this amount, the School paid \$4,253 to ACCESS and \$10,112 was paid by the federal E-Rate program. ACCESS is governed by an Assembly consisting of the Superintendents or other designees of the member school districts. The Assembly exercises total control over the operation of ACCESS, including budgeting, appropriating, contracting and designating management. All ACCESS revenues are generated from charges for services and State funding. Financial information can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer at the Mahoning County Educational Service Center, who serves as fiscal agent, at 100 Debartolo Place, Youngstown, Ohio, 44512.

NOTE 17 - PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOL

The Mahoning County Schools Employee Insurance Consortium (the "Consortium") is a shared risk pool comprised of various schools within Mahoning County. The Consortium is governed by an Assembly, which consists of one representative from each participating school (usually the Superintendent or designee). The Assembly elects officers for one-year terms to serve as the Board of Directors. The Assembly exercises control over the operation of the Consortium. All Consortium revenues are generated from charges for services.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
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SCHEDULES OF REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF
THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO

LAST TWO FISCAL YEARS

	2014	2013
School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.01285200%	0.01285200%
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 650,432	\$ 764,267
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 373,442	\$ 427,030
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	174.17%	178.97%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	71.70%	65.52%

Note: Information prior to fiscal year 2013 was unavailable.

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SCHEDULES OF REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF
THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

LAST TWO FISCAL YEARS

	2014	2013
School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.01354453%	0.01354453%
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 3,294,498	\$ 3,924,385
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,383,877	\$ 1,493,992
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	238.06%	262.68%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	74.70%	69.30%

Note: Information prior to fiscal year 2013 was unavailable.

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SCHEDULES OF REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS
SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 48,869	\$ 51,759	\$ 59,101	\$ 54,672
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(48,869)</u>	<u>(51,759)</u>	<u>(59,101)</u>	<u>(54,672)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 370,781	\$ 373,442	\$ 427,030	\$ 406,483
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	13.18%	13.86%	13.84%	13.45%

<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
\$ 44,608	\$ 51,267	\$ 34,568	\$ 34,351	\$ 37,133	\$ 36,069
<u>(44,608)</u>	<u>(51,267)</u>	<u>(34,568)</u>	<u>(34,351)</u>	<u>(37,133)</u>	<u>(36,069)</u>
<u>\$ -</u>					
\$ 354,877	\$ 378,634	\$ 351,301	\$ 349,807	\$ 347,687	\$ 340,917
12.57%	13.54%	9.84%	9.82%	10.68%	10.58%

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SCHEDULES OF REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS
STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 160,832	\$ 179,904	\$ 194,219	\$ 178,857
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(160,832)</u>	<u>(179,904)</u>	<u>(194,219)</u>	<u>(178,857)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,148,800	\$ 1,383,877	\$ 1,493,992	\$ 1,375,823
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	14.00%	13.00%	13.00%	13.00%

2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
\$ 184,407	\$ 161,933	\$ 158,453	\$ 163,947	\$ 163,947	\$ 169,100
<u>(184,407)</u>	<u>(161,933)</u>	<u>(158,453)</u>	<u>(163,947)</u>	<u>(163,947)</u>	<u>(169,100)</u>
<u>\$ -</u>					
\$ 1,418,515	\$ 1,245,638	\$ 1,218,869	\$ 1,261,131	\$ 1,261,131	\$ 1,300,769
13.00%	13.00%	13.00%	13.00%	13.00%	13.00%

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**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
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SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO

Information about factors that significantly affect trends in the amounts reported in the schedules should be presented as notes to the schedule.

Changes in benefit terms: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2014 and 2015.

Changes in assumptions: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2014 and 2015. See the notes to the basic financials for the methods and assumptions in this calculation.

STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

Changes in benefit terms: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2014 and 2015.

Changes in assumptions: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2014 and 2015. See the notes to the basic financials for the methods and assumptions in this calculation.

**YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal CFDA Number	Receipts	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Agriculture			
<i>Passed through the Ohio Department of Education</i>			
<i>Child Nutrition Cluster</i>			
National School Breakfast Program	10.553	\$ 98,905	\$ 98,905
National School Lunch Program	10.555	<u>160,561</u>	<u>160,561</u>
<i>Total Child Nutrition Cluster</i>		<u>259,466</u>	<u>259,466</u>
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	10.582	<u>23,762</u>	<u>24,423</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		<u>283,228</u>	<u>283,889</u>
U.S. Department of Education			
<i>Passed through the Ohio Department of Education</i>			
Title I-Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	<u>400,944</u>	<u>409,105</u>
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	<u>61,895</u>	<u>61,895</u>
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	<u>22,018</u>	<u>22,018</u>
ARRA - Race to the Top	84.395	<u>7,661</u>	<u>0</u>
Total U.S. Department of Education		<u>492,518</u>	<u>493,018</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS		<u>\$ 775,746</u>	<u>\$ 776,907</u>

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

**YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
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NOTE TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

NOTE 1: **BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of the Youngstown Community School and is presented on the cash basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of the basic financial statements.

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**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Members of the Board
Youngstown Community School
Youngstown, Ohio 44502

The Honorable Dave Yost
Auditor of State
State of Ohio

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Youngstown Community School, Mahoning 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 the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 4, 2015, wherein we noted that the School adopted new accounting guidance, 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*, and restated its net position at July 1, 2014.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the School's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *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 deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM
AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE
REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133**

Members of the Board
Youngstown Community School
Youngstown, Ohio 44502

The Honorable Dave Yost
Auditor of State
State of Ohio

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Youngstown Community School, Mahoning County, Ohio's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2015. The Youngstown Community School, Ohio's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Youngstown Community School, Ohio, complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Youngstown Community School, Ohio, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for its major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Youngstown Community School, Ohio's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance 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 compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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**YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
OMB CIRCULAR A-133 & §.505
JUNE 30, 2015**

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR’S RESULTS

2015(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
2015(ii)	Were there any material control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
2015(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
2015(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
2015(iv)	Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs?	No
2015(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
2015(v)	Type of Major Program’s Compliance Opinion	Unmodified
2015(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under .510(a)?	No
2015(vii)	Major Programs (list):	
	Title I - Grants to Local Educational Agencies - CFDA #84.010	
2015(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Program	Type A: \$300,000 or more Type B: All others less than \$300,000
2015(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	No

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

None.

3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None.

**YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
JUNE 30, 2015**

The prior audit report, as of June 30, 2014, included no citations or instances of noncompliance. Management letter recommendations have been corrected, repeated, or procedures instituted to prevent occurrences in this audit period.



Dave Yost • Auditor of State

YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL

MAHONING 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 9, 2016**