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**THE CHARLES SCHOOL AT OHIO DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY**

FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

REGULAR AUDIT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020



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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University, Franklin County, prepared by Rea & Associates, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. 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 Charles School at Ohio Dominican University is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

February 06, 2021

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December 28, 2020

To the Board of Directors  
The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University  
Franklin County, Ohio  
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University, Franklin County, Ohio (TCS), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise TCS'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 TCS'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 TCS'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 TCS as of June 30, 2020, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

***Emphasis of a Matter***

As described in Note 13 to the financial statements, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures will continue to impact subsequent periods of TCS. 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* 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 Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 28, 2020, on our consideration of TCS's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of TCS's 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 TCS's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Kea & Associates, Inc.*

Dublin, Ohio



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*Management's Discussion and Analysis  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020*

Our discussion and analysis of The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University (TCS) financial performance provides an overall review of TCS' financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at TCS' financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the TCS' financial performance.

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

### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2020 are as follows:

- In total, net position increased \$59,682 which represents a 17.6 percent increase from 2019. This increase is due to increases in revenue relative to expenditures.
- Total assets increased \$77,334 which represents a 9.0 percent increase from 2019. This was primarily due to an increase in intergovernmental receivable and cash and cash equivalents.
- Liabilities increased \$17,652 which represents a 3.4 percent increase from 2019. The increase in liabilities is due to increases in payables.

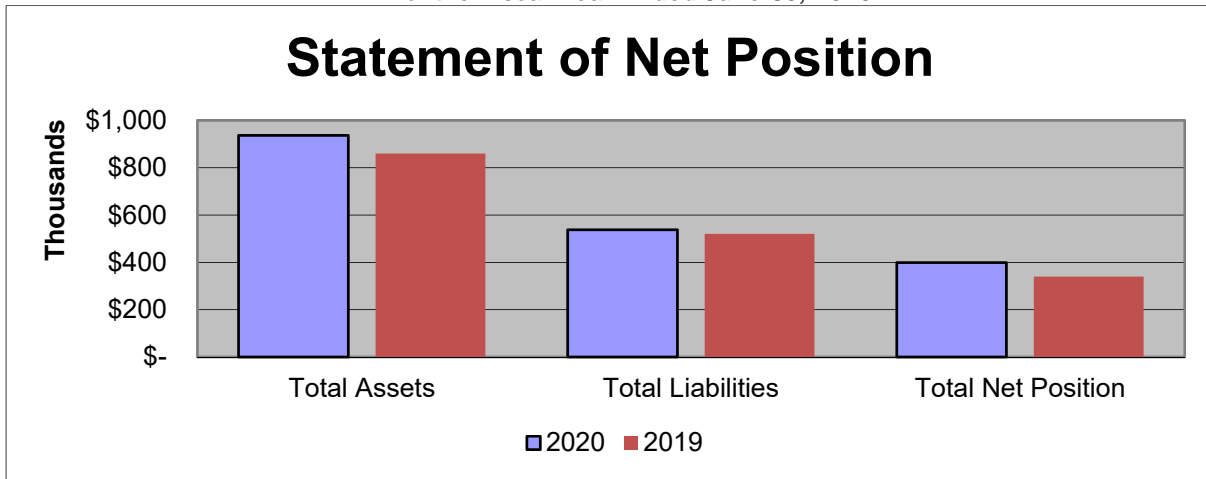
### **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT**

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

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Change in Net Position reflect how TCS did financially during fiscal year 2020. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting includes all of the current year revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These statements report TCS' net position and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader whether the financial position of TCS has improved or diminished.

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The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include TCS' student enrollment, per-pupil funding as determined by the State of Ohio, change in technology, required educational programs and other factors. TCS uses enterprise presentation for all of its activities.

**Statement of Net Position**

The Statement of Net Position answers the question of how TCS did financially during 2020. This statement includes all assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term using the accrual basis of accounting and economic resources focus, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when the cash is received or paid.

Table 1, below, is a summary of TCS' Net Position for fiscal year 2020 and 2019.

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

	2020	2019
<b>Assets</b>		
Current Assets	\$ 412,503	\$ 318,010
Non-Current Assets	524,049	541,208
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>936,552</u>	<u>859,218</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current Liabilities	115,064	77,129
Long Term Liabilities	442,380	442,663
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>537,444</u>	<u>519,792</u>
<b>Net Position</b>		
Investment in Capital Assets	86,400	83,725
Restricted	10,704	0
Unrestricted	302,004	255,701
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u>\$ 399,108</u>	<u>\$ 339,426</u>

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Total assets were \$936,552, an increase of 9.0% from the prior year due to an increase in intergovernmental receivable and cash and cash equivalents offset by a decrease in accounts receivable. Total liabilities increased by 3.4% to \$537,444 as a result of increase in payables acquired during the fiscal year. Cash and cash equivalents were \$237,545 and capital assets, at net, were \$524,049. Intergovernmental and accounts receivables, current assets, totaled \$174,958.

**Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position**

Table 2 below demonstrates the changes in net position for fiscal year 2020 and 2019, as well as a listing of revenues and expenses. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for TCS as a whole, the financial position of TCS has improved or diminished. The cause of this may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the current laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

(Table 2)

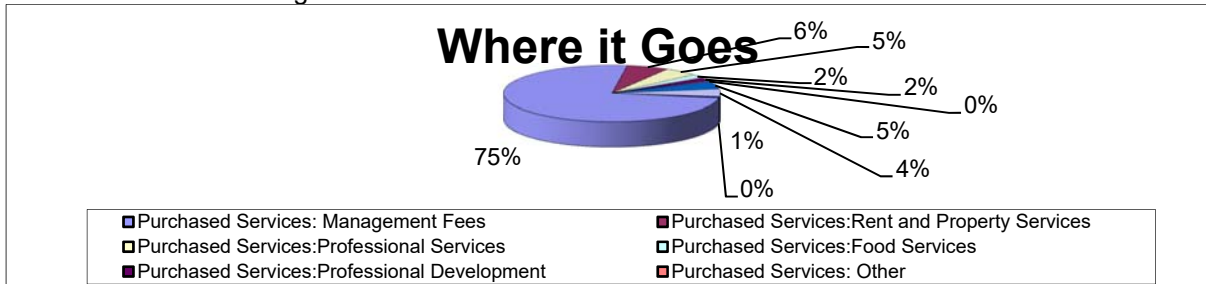
**Change in Net Position**

	2020	2019
<b>Operating Revenues</b>		
State Aid	\$2,616,829	\$2,632,200
Casino Aid	18,098	18,154
Facilities Funding	79,708	65,929
Food Service	2,705	22,211
Classroom Fees	4,820	9,195
Other Operating	2,381	7,537
 <b>Non-Operating Revenues</b>		
Grants	1,324,897	682,013
Investment Income	585	18
Contributions & Donations	7,777	8,990
Total Revenues	4,057,800	\$3,446,247
 <b>Operating Expenses</b>		
Purchased Services: Management Fees	2,968,030	2,422,851
Purchased Services: Rent and Property Services	249,587	219,054
Purchased Services: Professional Services	196,971	141,094
Purchased Services: Food Services	90,490	97,738
Purchased Services: Professional Development	75,077	91,112
Purchased Services: Tuition Payments to University	180,619	178,127
Purchased Services: Other	18,259	23,546
Materials and Supplies	172,604	149,495
Depreciation	23,420	22,403
Other	9,559	13,311
 <b>Non-Operating Expenses</b>		
Interest and Fiscal Charges	13,502	14,087
Total Expenses	3,998,118	3,372,818
 Change in Net Position	\$ 59,682	\$ 73,429

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Operating revenues were \$2,724,541, which represents 67.1% of total revenue. Total Revenues increased 17.7% from the prior year due to an increase in state aid through the Quality Community School grant and Student Wellness and Success grant. Operating expenses were \$3,984,616, which represents 99.7% of total expenses. TCS' most significant expense Purchased Services: Management Fees represents 74.2% of total expenses. The total comprises management fees paid to The Graham School (TGS). The agreement between TCS and TGS provides for TCS to remit a specific percentage of certain revenues received to TGS to finance operations. Note 10 in the notes to the basic financial statements outline this agreement.



**CAPITAL ASSETS**

At the end of fiscal year 2020, TCS had \$524,049 invested in capital assets, net of depreciation. For more information on capital assets, see Note 6 in the notes to the basic financial statements.

**DEBT**

At June 30, 2020, TCS had combined short and long term debt in the amount of \$437,649. This is due to the acquisition of a building. See Note 12.

**OTHER INFORMATION**

**FOR THE FUTURE**

In conclusion, TCS has committed itself to financial excellence. TCS acquired, from Columbus City School District, land and a building located at 1270 Brentnell Avenue on April 1, 2017 in the amount of \$555,000. This building is expected to ensure that TCS can meet its enrollment projections and give students a positive learning environment. TCS received donations and private grants to assist in financing the operations and development of curriculum; this practice is expected to continue. The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures have impacted the current period and will continue to impact subsequent periods of the School.

**CONTACTING THE CHARLES SCHOOL'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of The Charles School's finances and to show its accountability for the money received. If you have questions about this report or need additional information contact Ms. Jennifer Smith of The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University, 1270 Brentnell Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43214 or e-mail at [jsmith.1@mail.thegrahamschool.org](mailto:jsmith.1@mail.thegrahamschool.org).

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**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2020**

**ASSETS**

Current Asset

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 237,545
Account Receivable	10,327
Intergovernmental Receivable	<u>164,631</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>412,503</u>

Non-Current Assets

Depreciable Capital Assets, net	412,449
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	<u>111,600</u>
Total Non-Current Assets	<u>524,049</u>

Total Assets	<u>936,552</u>
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**LIABILITIES**

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	70,804
Intergovernmental Payable	28,991
Notes Payable	<u>15,269</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>115,064</u>

Long-Term Liabilities

Notes Payable	<u>422,380</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>537,444</u>

**NET POSITION**

Net Investments in Capital Assets	86,400
Restricted	10,704
Unrestricted	<u>302,004</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$399,108</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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**STATEMENT OF REVENUES,  
EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**OPERATING REVENUES**

State Aid	\$ 2,616,829
Casino Aid	18,098
Facilities Funding	79,708
Food Service	2,705
Classroom Fees	4,820
Other Operating	2,381
	2,724,541
 Total Operating Revenues	 2,724,541

**OPERATING EXPENSES**

Purchased Services: Management Fees	2,968,030
Purchased Services: Rent and Property Services	249,587
Purchased Services: Professional Services	196,971
Purchased Services: Food Services	90,490
Purchased Services: Professional Development	75,077
Purchased Services: Tuition Payments to University	180,619
Purchased Services: Other	18,259
Materials and Supplies	172,604
Depreciation	23,420
Other	9,559
	3,984,616

**TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES**

3,984,616

**NET OPERATING INCOME/(LOSS)**

(1,260,075)

**NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)**

Grants	1,324,897
Interest Income	585
Interest and Fiscal Charges	(13,502)
Contributions & Donations	7,777
	1,319,757

**TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)**

1,319,757

**CHANGE IN NET POSITION**

59,682

**NET POSITION BEGINNING OF YEAR**

339,426

**NET POSITION END OF YEAR**

\$ 399,108

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

Cash Received from State of Ohio	\$ 2,743,817
Cash Received from Other Operating Sources	9,906
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(3,843,166)
Other Cash Payments	<u>(9,543)</u>
 Net Cash Used for Operating Activities	 <u>(1,098,986)</u>

**CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES**

Cash Received from Grants	1,255,163
Cash Received from Contributions and Donations	<u>7,777</u>
 Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	 <u>1,262,940</u>

**CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES**

Cash Payments for Capital Assets Acquisitions	(6,261)
Cash Payments for Interest and Fiscal Charges	(13,502)
Cash Principal Payments for Notes Payable	<u>(19,834)</u>
 Net Cash Used for Capital Financing Activities	 <u>(39,597)</u>

**CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES**

Interest Income	<u>585</u>
 Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	 <u>585</u>

**NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

124,942

**CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS BEGINNING OF YEAR**

112,603

**CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS END OF YEAR**

\$ 237,545

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

Operating Loss	\$ (1,260,075)
<b>ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH USED FOR OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Depreciation	23,420
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:	
Accounts Receivable	78,675
Intergovernmental Receivable	21,508
Accounts Payable	28,423
Intergovernmental Payable	<u>9,063</u>
Net Cash Used for Operating Activities	<u>\$ (1,098,986)</u>



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*Notes to the Basic Financial Statements  
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**1. DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORTING ENTITY**

The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University (TCS) is a nonprofit corporation established pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapters 3314 and 1702. TCS is an approved tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Management is not aware of any course of action or series of events that have occurred that might adversely affect TCS' tax-exempt status. TCS' objective is to use the Columbus community to form partnerships for student learning. Individualized programs are used to meet students' needs. Parents and students are included in all decision-making. TCS, which is part of the State's education program, is independent and is nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations. TCS may acquire facilities as needed and contract for any services necessary for the operation of the school.

TCS was approved for operation under a contract with the Delaware-Union Educational Service Center (the Sponsor) for a period of one year commencing July 1, 2008. A new one year contract was approved commencing July 1, 2009. The Sponsor is responsible for evaluating the performance of TCS and has the authority to deny renewal of the contract at its expiration or terminate the contract prior to its expiration.

On January 1, 2009, the Sponsor merged with the Franklin County Service Center. The surviving organization, the Educational Service Center of Central Ohio, acknowledges its obligations under the existing contract between the Sponsor and TCS, and expects to honor provisions contained therein, as documented in the Memorandum of Understanding dated January 3, 2009. On May 13, 2009, a sponsorship agreement was executed between TCS and the Educational Service Center of Central Ohio for a five (5) year period beginning July 1, 2009. The school has subsequently renewed for an additional two (2) year period extensions now ending June 30, 2022.

TCS operates under the direction of a five-member governing board. The governing 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, admission standards, and qualifications of teachers.

TCS contracts with The Graham School (TGS) for most of its day-to-day activities (see Note 10).

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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

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

**A. Basis of Presentation**

TCS's basic financial statements consist of a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, and a Statement of Cash Flows. TCS uses enterprise accounting to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. Enterprise accounting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position, and cash flows. Enterprise accounting may be used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services.

**B. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

Enterprise accounting uses a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities are included on the Statement of Net Position. The operating statement presents increases and decreases in 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 earned and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

**C. Budgetary Process**

Community schools are statutorily required to adopt a budget by Ohio Revised Code 3314.032(C). However, unlike traditional public schools located in the State of Ohio, community schools are not required to follow the specific budgetary process and limits set forth in the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705, unless specifically provided in the contract between the School and its Sponsor. The contract between the School and its Sponsor does not require the School to follow the provisions Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705; therefore, no budgetary information is presented in the basic financial statements.

**D. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

All cash received by TCS is deposited in accounts in TCS's name and reflected as Cash and Cash Equivalents on the Statement of Net Position. TCS did not have any investments during fiscal year 2020.

**E. Prepaid Items**

TCS records payments made to vendors for services that will benefit future periods as prepaid items using the consumption method. No prepaid items were recorded at June 30, 2020. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of the purchase and an expense is recorded in the year in which the services are consumed.

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

**F. Capital Assets and Depreciation**

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements (deletions) during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition values as of the date received. TCS' capitalization threshold is one thousand dollars.

Buildings and 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 useful life are not. Interest incurred during the construction of capital assets is also capitalized.

All capital assets are depreciated except for land. Depreciation of computers and equipment and textbooks are computed using the straight-line method over an estimated useful life of five years. Improvements to capital assets are depreciated over the remaining useful lives. Buildings are depreciated using the straight-line method over an estimated useful life of forty years.

**G. Intergovernmental Revenues**

TCS currently participates in the State Foundation Program, Casino Aid, and Facilities Funding. Revenue received from this program is recognized as operating revenue (Foundation payments) in the accounting period in which it is earned and becomes measurable. Funding from this program is listed as "Operating Revenues" on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position.

Grants 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 year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which TCS must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to TCS on a reimbursement basis.

Resources where the timing requirement is not met are recorded as a liability to the funding source, and reported as a non-operating expense. Resources received prior to the period of use are deferred.

**H. Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Invested in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use either through enabling legislation adopted by TCS or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

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

**I. Operating Revenues and Expenses**

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

**J. Estimates**

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

**3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

**Deposits with Financial Institutions**

**Deposits:** The carrying value of TCS's deposits are \$237,545, and the bank balance totaled \$239,408, all of which was covered by federal depository insurance, based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of June 30, 2020.

Protection of the TCS's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by the financial institutions participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

**4. INTERGOVERNMENTAL RECEIVABLE**

At June 30, 2020, TCS had an intergovernmental receivable in the amount of \$164,631 including federal grants due, but not received by year end. The intergovernmental receivable is collectible in the next operating cycle.

**5. ACCOUNTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL PAYABLE**

Accounts and Intergovernmental Payable consists of obligations at June 30, 2020 incurred during the normal course of conducting operations.

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**6. CAPITAL ASSETS**

For the year ended June 30, 2020, TCS' capital assets consisted of the following:

	<b>Balance 6/30/2019</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Deletions</b>	<b>Balance 6/30/2020</b>
<b>Capital Assets Not being Depreciated:</b>				
Land	\$111,600	\$ 0	0	\$ 111,600
<b>Capital Assets Being Depreciated:</b>				
Buildings	443,400	0	0	443,400
Computers & Equipment	309,005	6,261	0	315,266
Textbooks	64,205	0	0	64,205
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>	<u>816,610</u>	<u>6,261</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>822,871</u>
<b>Less Accumulated Depreciation:</b>				
Buildings	(41,650)	(11,369)	0	(53,019)
Computers & Equipment	(281,147)	(12,051)	0	(293,198)
Textbooks	(64,205)	0	0	(64,205)
<b>Total Accumulated Depreciation</b>	<u>(387,002)</u>	<u>(23,420)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(410,422)</u>
<b>Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated Net</b>	<u>429,608</u>	<u>(17,159)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>412,449</u>
<b>Total Capital Assets, Net</b>	<u>\$ 541,208</u>	<u>\$ (17,159)</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 524,049</u>

**7. RISK MANAGEMENT**

**Insurance Coverage**

TCS 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 the year ended 2020, TCS contracted with the Philadelphia Insurance Company for the following insurance coverage:

Commercial General Liability per occurrence	\$1,000,000
Commercial General Liability aggregate	2,000,000
Umbrella Liability per occurrence (\$10,000 self-insured retention)	6,000,000

The amount of settlements did not exceed insurance coverage for any of the past three years. There has not been a significant reduction in coverage from the prior year.

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**8. CONTINGENCIES**

**A. Grants**

TCS received financial assistance from Federal and State agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, the effect of any such disallowed claims on the overall financial position of TCS at June 30, 2020, if applicable, cannot be determined at this time.

**B. State Funding**

School foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. However, there is an important nexus between attendance and enrollment for Foundation funding purposes. Community schools must provide documentation that clearly demonstrates students have participated in learning opportunities. The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to adjust/reconcile funding as enrollment information is updated by schools throughout the State, which can extend past the fiscal year end.

Under Ohio Rev. Code Section 3314.08, ODE may also perform a FTE Review subsequent to the fiscal year end that may result in an additional adjustment to the enrollment information as well as claw backs of Foundation funding due to a lack of evidence to support student participation and other matters of noncompliance. ODE did not performed such a review on TCS for fiscal year 2020.

As of the date of this report, all ODE adjustments for fiscal year 2020 have been finalized. As a result, the impact of future FTE adjustments on the fiscal year 2020 financial statements have been determined and reflected on the face of the financials as a payable in the amount of \$7,673.

In addition, TCS contracts with their Sponsor and Management Company that requires payment based on revenues received from the State. As discussed above, all ODE adjustments through fiscal year 2020 have been completed. A reconciliation between payments previously made and the FTE adjustments has taken place with these contracts.

**C. Loan Guarantor**

The Graham Elementary and Middle School (formerly known as Graham Expeditionary Middle School) entered into a loan with Huntington Bank for the purchase of a school building and land. The total amount of the loan was \$1,080,000 with an annual interest rate of 4.55% to be paid over a 10- year period, with a balloon payment scheduled in year ten. TCS acts as a guarantor on this loan in addition to The Graham School.

**9. SPONSOR**

TCS extended its sponsorship agreement with Delaware-Union Educational Service Center (the Sponsor) for a twelve-month period ending June 30, 2009. Under this agreement, TCS was to remit 2.5% of Foundation receipts to the Sponsor. However, the Board and Sponsor adopted and approved on April 16, 2008, a modified the fee amount from a fixed 1.5% of foundation receipts to "up to" 3%. On May 13, 2009, a sponsorship agreement was executed between TCS and the Educational Service Center of Central Ohio for a five (5) year period beginning July 1, 2009. The pre-existing contract with Delaware-Union Educational Service Center expired on June 30, 2009.

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**9. SPONSOR (Continued)**

On July 1, 2014, the agreement was extended another three years through June 30, 2017, which was subsequently renewed for an additional 2-year period ending June 30, 2019. A three year extension has been approved ending June 30, 2022.

TCS paid fees to the Sponsor amounting to \$79,098, or approximately 3% of Foundation, for the year ended June 30, 2020. The payments are reported in the Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Change in Net Position as part of Purchased Services- Professional Services.

**10. MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE GRAHAM SCHOOL**

Effective July 1, 2007, TCS entered into a two year Management Agreement (the Agreement) with TGS. The Agreement's term ran through June 30, 2014. Since June of 2014, the board has approved one year renewals annually. Per the contract, TGS receives a base fee of three (3) percent up of TCS' state foundation, and reimbursement of all direct costs for expenses incurred under the Federal Title program. TGS also receives up to ninety-five (95) percent of TCS' federal and state awards, after a minimum of five (5) percent is spent by TCS to pay its direct expenses. TCS management fee expense for the fiscal year total \$2,968,030, as reported in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Of this fee, \$2,419,098 was for general fund related fees and \$467,879 was for grant related reimbursements. The remainder of the expense was for base licensing fees in the amount of \$81,053.

**11. MANAGEMENT COMPANY EXPENSES**

For the year ended June 30, 2020, TGS paid the following expenses on-behalf of TCS:

	<b>Regular Instruction</b>	<b>Special Instruction</b>	<b>Support Services</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b><i>Direct expenses:</i></b>				
<b>Salaries &amp; wages (100 object codes)</b>	\$ 937,715	\$ 158,500	\$ 547,061	\$ 1,643,276
<b>Employees' benefits (200 object codes)</b>	\$ 288,323	\$ 34,124	\$ 173,794	\$ 496,241
<b><i>Indirect expenses:</i></b>				
<b>Overhead</b>	\$ 25,219	\$ 50,202	\$ 343,110	\$ 418,531
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,251,257</b>	<b>\$ 242,826</b>	<b>\$ 1,063,965</b>	<b>\$ 2,558,048</b>

Overhead charges are assigned to TCS based on a percentage of full-time equivalent student enrollment. These charges represent the indirect cost of services provided in the operation of TCS. Such services include, but are not limited to facilities management, equipment, operational support services, management and management consulting, board relations, human resources management, training and orientation, financial reporting and compliance, purchasing and procurement, education services, technology support, and marketing and communications.

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**12. DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

At June 30, 2020, the following table represents TCS debt issuances:

	Principal Outstanding 6/30/2019	Additions	Deductions	Principal Outstanding 6/30/2020	Amount Due in One Year
Direct Obligation					
Notes Payable	\$ 457,483	\$ 0	\$ (19,834)	\$ 437,649	\$ 15,269

	Principal	Interest
2021	15,269	9,733
2022	422,380	12,438
Total	<u>\$ 437,649</u>	<u>\$ 22,171</u>

In March 2017, TCS entered into a promissory note with The Columbus Foundation in the amount of \$500,000 to be repaid with interest at a rate of 3% with a maturity date of March 31, 2022. The purpose of the note was to acquire the building TCS currently occupies. At June 30, 2020, the principal balance was \$437,649. In March 2022, TCS will have a balloon payment of principal and interest in the amount of \$434,818. According to the loan agreement, TCS is required to file audited financial statements within 180 days after the close of the fiscal year end. The loan agreement also includes a provision that in an event of default, outstanding amounts may become immediately due if TCS is unable to make payment.

**13. SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures have impacted the current period and will continue to impact subsequent periods of the School. Due to the dynamic environment and changes in fiscal policies, the exact impact on the School's future operating costs, revenues, and any recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be reasonably estimated.



December 28, 2020

To the Board of Directors  
The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University  
Franklin County, Ohio  
1270 Brentnell Avenue  
Columbus, OH 43219

**Independent Auditor's 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***

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 Charles School at Ohio Dominican University, Franklin County, Ohio (TCS) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise TCS's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 28, 2020, in which we noted that the financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures will continue to impact subsequent periods of TCS.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered TCS's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 TCS's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of TCS'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 entity'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 TCS'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 financial statements. 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 entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Rea & Associates, Inc.*

Dublin, Ohio

# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



**THE CHARLES SCHOOL AT OHIO DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY  
FRANKLIN COUNTY**

**AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION**

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



**Certified for Release 2/18/2021**

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