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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the School Board **Arkansas Arts Academy and Subsidiary** Rogers, Arkansas

Report on the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of each major governmental fund and the fiduciary funds of Arkansas Arts Academy and Subsidiary (the "School") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic consolidated financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities, and fund balances of each major governmental fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the School as of June 30, 2023, and their respective revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances and budgetary results for the year then ended in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the State of Arkansas (the State) as described in Note 2.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the consolidated financial statements do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of each fund of the School as of June 30, 2023, or the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Basis for Unmodified Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the School and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 2 of the consolidated financial statements, the consolidated financial statements are prepared by the School on the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the State to demonstrate compliance with State's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws, which is a basis of accounting other than the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the consolidated financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 2 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

Responsibilities of Management for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the State to demonstrate compliance with the State's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the consolidated financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
 to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
 procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in
 the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 School's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
 expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant
 accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the
 consolidated financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the School's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control—related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the State which practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, require that the schedule of capital assets be presented to supplement the consolidated financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the consolidated financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the consolidated 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 methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic consolidated 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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the consolidated financial statements that collectively comprise the School's consolidated financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards required by the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations ("CFR") Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards ("Uniform Guidance") and the Schedule of State Assistance are presented for purpose of additional analysis and are not required part of the consolidated financial statements.

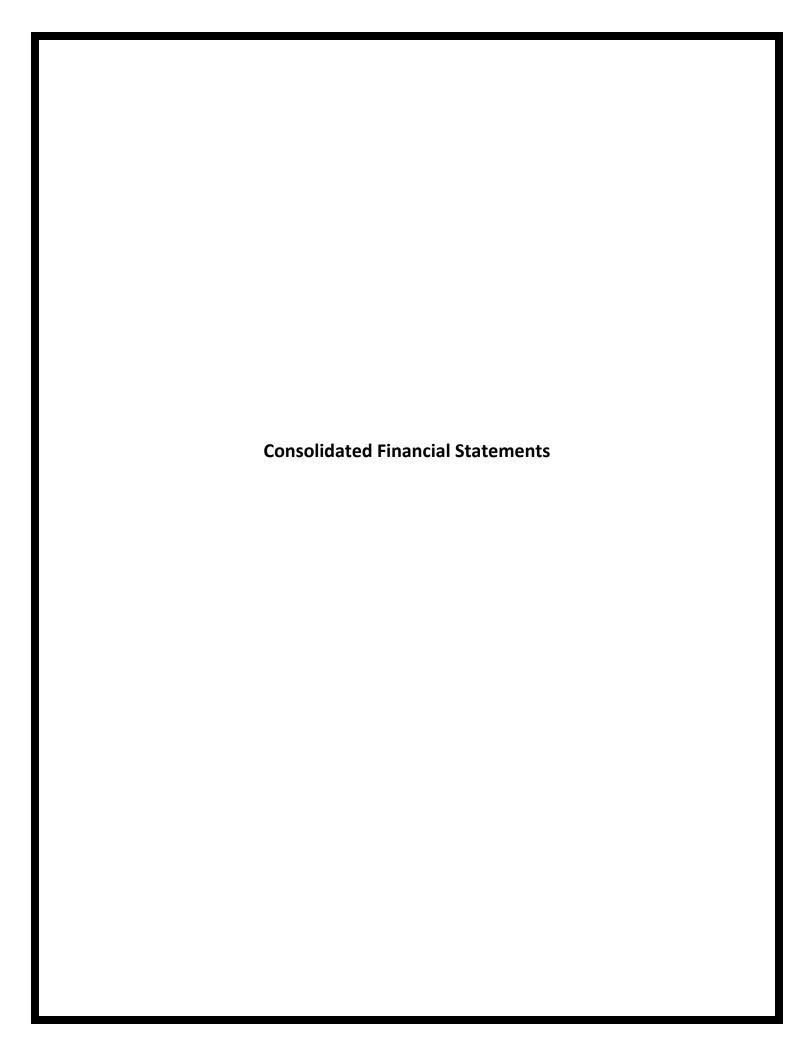
Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated April 9, 2024 on our consideration of the School'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 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 School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Rogers, Arkansas

April 9, 2024



Consolidated Balance Sheet – Regulatory Basis June 30, 2023

	Governmental Funds							
	Major							
			Special		(Capital	Fi	duciary
		General	R	evenue	P	rojects	Funds	
ASSETS								
Cash	\$	1,095,911	\$	254,415	\$	7,199	\$	158,053
Restricted cash		158,049		-		-		-
Certificate of deposit		2,084		-		-		-
Accounts receivable				19,715		66,356		
Total Assets	\$	1,256,044	\$	274,130	\$	73,555	\$	158,053
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES								
Liabilities								
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	264,400	\$	40,469	\$	-	\$	-
Due to student groups				-				158,053
Total Liabilities		264,400		40,469				158,053
Fund Balances								
Restricted								
State programs		35,255		-		-		-
Federal programs		=		233,661		-		-
Capital projects		158,049		-		73,555		-
Unassigned		798,340						
Total Fund Balances		991,644		233,661		73,555		
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	1,256,044	\$	274,130	\$	73,555	\$	158,053

Consolidated Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds– Regulatory Basis Year ended June 30, 2023

	Governme			
	Ma	njor		
		Special	Capital	
	General	Revenue	Projects	
REVENUES				
Federal assistance	\$ -	\$ 1,573,422	\$ -	
State assistance	9,269,587	3,482	655,770	
Local donations and grants	160,346	-	-	
Meal sales	-	186,265	-	
Interest income	18,881			
Total Revenues	9,448,814	1,763,169	655,770	
EXPENDITURES				
Regular programs	4,327,835	173,289	-	
Special education	231,311	179,795	-	
Workforce education	17,043	18,890	-	
Compensatory education program	50,510	170,306	-	
Other instructional program	465,292	-	-	
Student support services	318,751	143,574	-	
Instructional staff support services	252,920	349,469	-	
General administrative support services	219,737	15,895	-	
School administrative support services	553,220	234	-	
Business support services	468,520	121,497	-	
Operation and maintenance of plant services	1,120,726	6,175	-	
Student transportation services	294,257	-	-	
Other support services	1,812	1,175	-	
Food service operations	-	536,400	-	
Debt service:				
Principal retirement of debt	720,000	-	-	
Interest and fiscal charges	1,003,908			
Total Expenditures	10,045,842	1,716,699		
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES				
OVER EXPENDITURES	(597,028)	46,470	655,770	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Trustee fees	(7,500)	-	-	
Transfers, net	637,466		(637,466)	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	629,966		(637,466)	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	32,938	46,470	18,304	
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR	958,706	187,191	55,251	
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$ 991,644	\$ 233,661	\$ 73,555	

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund – Regulatory Basis Year ended June 30, 2023

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES	Dauget	Account	(Gillavolable)
State assistance	\$ 9,232,524	\$ 9,269,587	\$ 37,063
Local donations and grants	189,043	160,346	(28,697)
Interest income	-	18,881	18,881
Total Revenues	9,421,567	9,448,814	27,247
EXPENDITURES			
Regular programs	4,738,630	4,327,835	410,795
Special education	224,729	231,311	(6,582)
Workforce education	29,021	17,043	11,978
Compensatory education program	50,000	50,510	(510)
Other instructional program	480,988	465,292	15,696
Student support services	334,869	318,751	16,118
Instructional staff support services	195,499	252,920	(57,421)
General administrative support services	203,228	219,737	(16,509)
School administrative support services	583,319	553,220	30,099
Business support services	500,276	468,520	31,756
Operation and maintenance of plant services	2,025,343	1,120,726	904,617
Student transportation services	286,026	294,257	(8,231)
Other support services	5,863	1,812	4,051
Debt service:			
Principal retirement of debt	-	720,000	(720,000)
Interest and fiscal charges		1,003,908	(1,003,908)
Total Expenditures	9,657,791	10,045,842	(388,051)
(DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES			
OVER EXPENDITURES	(236,224)	(597,028)	(360,804)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Trustee fees	-	(7,500)	(7,500)
Transfers, net		637,466	637,466
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		629,966	629,966
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ (236,224)	\$ 32,938	\$ 269,162

Consolidated Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Special Revenue Fund – Regulatory Basis Year ended June 30, 2023

			Variance
			Favorable
	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)
REVENUES			
Federal assistance	\$ 1,681,781	\$ 1,573,422	\$ (108,359)
State assistance	2,900	3,482	582
Meal sales	195,400	186,265	(9,135)
Total Revenues	1,880,081	1,763,169	(116,912)
EXPENDITURES			
Regular programs	154,611	173,289	(18,678)
Special education	200,436	179,795	20,641
Other instructional program	229,237	-	229,237
Student support services	142,921	143,574	(653)
Instructional staff support services	363,027	349,469	13,558
General administrative support services	17,250	15,895	1,355
Business support services	141,497	121,497	20,000
Operation and maintenance of plant services	80,730	6,175	74,555
Food service operations	631,119	536,400	94,719
Other support services	4,700		4,700
Total Expenditures	1,965,528	1,716,699	248,829
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ (85,447)	\$ 46,470	\$ 131,917

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2023

NOTE 1: NATURE OF ACTIVITIES

Reporting Entity

Arkansas Arts Academy is a nonprofit organization which was granted a charter by the Arkansas State Board of Education to operate a charter school located in Rogers, Arkansas, also known as Arkansas Arts Academy. The school's charter was renewed effective June 30, 2018 for a ten-year term and is scheduled for renewal June 30, 2028. The school provides kindergarten through 12th grade academic programs with integration of the arts.

BCCSO, LLC (subsidiary) was formed May 28, 2010 for the purpose of holding real estate and the related debt. Arkansas Arts Academy is the sole member of BCCSO, LLC.

NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Arkansas Arts Academy and its subsidiary, BCCSO, LLC, collectively referred to as "the School." All significant inter-organizational accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting (RBA), which is another comprehensive basis of accounting (OCBOA) other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). This basis of accounting is prescribed by Arkansas Code Annotated §10-4-413(c), as provided in Act 867 of 2019, and requires that financial statements be presented on a fund basis with, as a minimum, the general fund and special revenue fund presented separately and all other funds included in the audit presented in the aggregate. The law also stipulates that the financial statements consist of a balance sheet; a statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances; a comparison of the final adopted budget to the actual expenditures for the general fund and special revenue funds of the School; notes to financial statements; and a supplemental schedule of capital assets, including land, buildings, and equipment. The law further stipulates that the State Board of Education shall promulgate the rules necessary to administer the regulatory basis of presentation.

The RBA is not in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). GAAP requires that basic consolidated financial statements present government-wide financial statements. Additionally, GAAP requires the following major concepts: Management's Discussion and Analysis, accrual basis of accounting for government-wide financial statements, including depreciation expense, modified accrual basis of accounting for fund financial statements, separate financial statements for fiduciary fund types, separate identification of special and extraordinary items, inclusion of capital assets and debt in the financial statements, specific procedures for the identification of major governmental funds and applicable note disclosures. The RBA does not require government-wide financial statements or the previously identified concepts.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2023

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are presented on a fund basis. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts, which are segregated for purposes of recording specific activities or attaining certain objectives. Revenues are reported by major sources and expenditures are reported by major functions. Other transactions, which are not reported as revenues or expenditures are reported as other financing sources and uses. Transactions related to the recording of installment contracts and capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Description of Fund

Major governmental funds (per the RBA) are defined as General and Special Revenue.

General Fund – The General Fund is the general operating fund and is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be reported in another fund.

Special Revenue Fund – The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specific purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Special Revenue Fund includes federal revenues and related expenditures, restricted for specific educational programs or projects, including the School's food service operations. The Special Revenue Fund also includes required matching for those federal programs, program income required to be used to further the objective of those programs, and transfers from the general fund to supplement such programs.

Other governmental funds consist of the following:

Capital Projects Funds - The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Capital Projects Fund excludes those types of capital-related outflows financed by proprietary funds or for assets that will be held in trust for individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

Fiduciary Funds – The Fiduciary Funds type is used to report balances held by the School on behalf of various student clubs, groups and organizations. These resources are held by the School acting as a custodial agent for others.

Revenue Recognition Policies

Revenues are recorded when they become susceptible to accrual in accordance with the RBA.

Capital Assets

Information on capital assets and related depreciation is reported in the required supplementary information. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual data is not available. Capital assets purchased are recorded as expenditures in the applicable fund at the time of purchase. Donated capital assets are reported at fair value when received. The School maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 for capitalizing assets.

Capital Assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, which range from three to forty years. No salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2023

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consists of amounts due to the School by the Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) for current year funding. The entire amount is considered collectible; therefore, no allowance for uncollectible amounts is considered necessary.

Inter-fund Receivables and Payables

Inter-fund receivables and payables result from services rendered from one fund to another or from interfund loans.

Fund Balance Classifications

Fund balance represents the difference between assets and liabilities and are categorized as follows:

Non-spendable Fund Balance – Includes amounts that are not in a spendable form or are required to be maintained intact. The School does not have any non-spendable fund balance at June 30, 2023.

Restricted Fund Balance - Includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by external resource providers, constitutionally, or through enabling legislation. The fund balance that is restricted for state programs and federal programs reflect amounts restricted for specific state and federal programs as mandated by respective state and federal grant or funding agreements. The fund balance that is restricted for capital projects reflects amounts that are restricted for construction or other capital outlay projects. The fund balance that is restricted for other purposes includes donated funds, the use of which has been restricted by the donor for specific uses.

Committed Fund Balance – Includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the School's highest level of decision-making authority (the Board of Directors). The School does not have any committed fund balance as of June 30, 2023.

Assigned Fund Balance – Includes amounts intended for a specific purpose by the Board of Directors or by a School official that has been delegated authority to assign amounts. The School does not have any assigned fund balances as of June 30, 2023.

Unassigned Fund Balance – Includes any remaining fund balance that has not been reported in any other classification. This classification can also include negative amounts in other governmental funds if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes.

The School does not have a formal policy addressing whether it considers restricted amounts to have been spent when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted amounts are available. School personnel decide which resources (source of funds) to use at the time expenditures are incurred or which resources to use within the unrestricted fund balance when committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available. For the purposes of fund balance classification, expenditures are considered to be spent from restricted fund balance first, followed in order by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance and lastly unassigned fund balance.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2023

Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The School is required by state law to prepare an annual budget. The annual budget is required to be approved the School's Board of Directors and submitted to the ADE no later than September 30 of each year. Budget amendments, if any, are not required to be submitted for approval to ADE. The School's budget is prepared utilizing the same basis of accounting described previously.

Income Taxes

The School is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and a similar state statute. Consequently, no provision for income taxes is reflected in the accompanying consolidated financial statements. Additionally, the School has been classified as an organization that is not a private foundation under Section 509(a).

Stabilization Arrangements

The School's Board of Directors has not formally set aside amounts for use in emergency situations or when revenue shortages or budgetary imbalances arise.

Minimum Fund Balance Policies

The School's Board of Directors has not formally adopted a minimum fund balance policy.

Use of Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 3: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WITH RISK OF ACCOUNTING LOSS

The School maintains demand deposits at financial institutions. State statutes require that the School's funds be deposited in banks located in the State of Arkansas and that all deposit balances in excess of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance limits be collateralized. In the event of an institutional failure, any excess over FDIC insurance may not be recoverable. At June 30, 2023, the bank balances of the School's demand deposits amounted to \$1,843,909, of which \$408,049 was insured and \$1,435,860 was collateralized by securities held in the School's name. No amounts are uninsured or uncollateralized.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2023

NOTE 4: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

As of June 30, 2023, accounts receivable was comprised of the following:

	Gen Fu		Re	pecial evenue Fund	P	Capital rojects Fund	Fidu Fu	•
Federal assistance State assistance	\$	- -	\$	19,715 -	\$	- 66,356	\$	-
	\$	_	\$	19,715	\$	66,356	\$	

NOTE 5: CONCENTRATIONS

The School is economically dependent on funding received through state awards and federal awards. During the year ended June 30, 2023, approximately 97% of total revenues were from state and federal awards.

NOTE 6: BONDS PAYABLE AND LONG-TERM DEBT

Series 2017 Bonds

In July 2017, the Arkansas Development Finance Authority issued \$25,260,000 in Charter School Lease Revenue Bonds, net of an original discount of \$512,262, and secured by a loan agreement with BCCSO, LLC as borrower. The proceeds of these bonds will be used to pay a portion of acquiring, constructing, renovating, improving, and equipping certain education facilities of the School and to refund the Series 2010A BCCSO Project Bonds. These bonds are tax exempt and mature serially through 2047. The interest rates on the bond range from 3% to 4.5%.

As part of the bond issue, BCCSO, LLC entered into a lease agreement with Arkansas Arts Academy, whereby Arkansas Arts Academy will lease the facilities back from BCCSO, LLC at a monthly lease rate equal to the debt service requirement of the bonds. Lease expense and the related lease income have been eliminated in consolidation.

The loan agreement requires minimum debt service payments that are equal to the bond sinking fund requirements to provide for the redemption of the bonds upon maturity.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2023

The minimum debt service requirements of the bonds for the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

Years ending						
June 30,	P	Principal		Interest		Total
2024	\$	585,000	\$	990,587	\$	1,575,587
2025		605,000		973,038		1,578,038
2026		625,000		953,375		1,578,375
2027		645,000		931,500		1,576,500
2028		675,000		902,475		1,577,475
2029-2033		3,840,000		4,040,775		7,880,775
2034-2038		4,785,000		3,092,175		7,877,175
2039-2043		5,925,000		1,952,943		7,877,943
2044-2047		5,690,000		609,630		6,299,630
	\$ 2	3,375,000	\$ 1	4,446,498	\$:	37,821,498

Walton Family Foundation Loan

As part of the 2017 Bond issuance, the School entered into a thirty-year interest free construction loan for up to \$5,000,000 with the Walton Family Foundation (WFF) to facilitate the construction of the new facility. Future maturities of this loan are as follows:

Years ending June 30,	
2024	\$ 150,000
2025	150,000
2026	175,000
2027	175,000
2028	175,000
2029-2033	975,000
2034-2038	1,000,000
2039-2043	1,000,000
2044-2047	 800,000
	\$ 4,600,000

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2023

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt:

	Balance June 30, 2022	Additions Paymen		Balance Payments June 30, 2		 ne Within One Year	
Series 17 Bond Payable WFF loan	\$23,945,000 4,750,000	\$	- -	\$	570,000 150,000	\$23,375,000 4,600,000	\$ 585,000 150,000
Total long-term debt	\$28,695,000	\$	-	\$	720,000	\$27,975,000	\$ 735,000

NOTE 7: COMMITMENTS

Operating Leases

The School leases buses and an office space under long-term non-cancelable operating lease agreements. The total rental expense for operating leases for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$49,156.

Future minimum lease payments for operating leases are as follows:

Years ending June 30,	
2024	\$ 48,000
2025	27,500

NOTE 8: EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System

Plan Description - The School contributes to the Arkansas Teachers Retirement System (ATRS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan that covers all Arkansas public school employees, except certain non-teachers hired prior to July 1, 1989. ATRS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit and contribution provisions are established by State law and can be amended only by the Arkansas General Assembly. The Arkansas Teacher Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for ATRS. That report may be obtained by writing to Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, 1400 West Third Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 or by calling 1-800-666-2877.

Funding Policy - ATRS has contributory and noncontributory plans. Contributory members are required by State law to contribute 7.00% of their salaries. Each participating employer is required by State law to contribute at a rate determined by the Board of Trustees, based on an annual actuarial valuation. The current employer rate is 15.00% of covered salaries. The contributions from the School for the year ended June 30, 2022 were \$778,058.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2023

Net Pension Liability - The ADE has stipulated that, under the regulatory basis of accounting, the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions — an amendment of GASB statement No. 27, would be limited to disclosure of the School's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability. The School's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability at June 30, 2022 (actuarial valuation date and measurement date) was \$8,188,915.

Defined Contribution Plan – 403(b)

During the year ended June 30, 2009, the School adopted a 403(b) plan covering all employees of the School. The plan is funded solely by employee contributions, pursuant to a salary reduction agreement. Annual contributions may not exceed the amount permitted under section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code. Employees vest immediately in their contributions.

NOTE 9: ON-BEHALF-PAYMENTS

During the year ended June 30, 2023, health insurance premiums of \$207,767 were paid by the ADE to the Arkansas Employee Benefits Division on-behalf of School employees. This amount is not included in revenues or expenditures in the School's consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 10: CONTINGENCIES

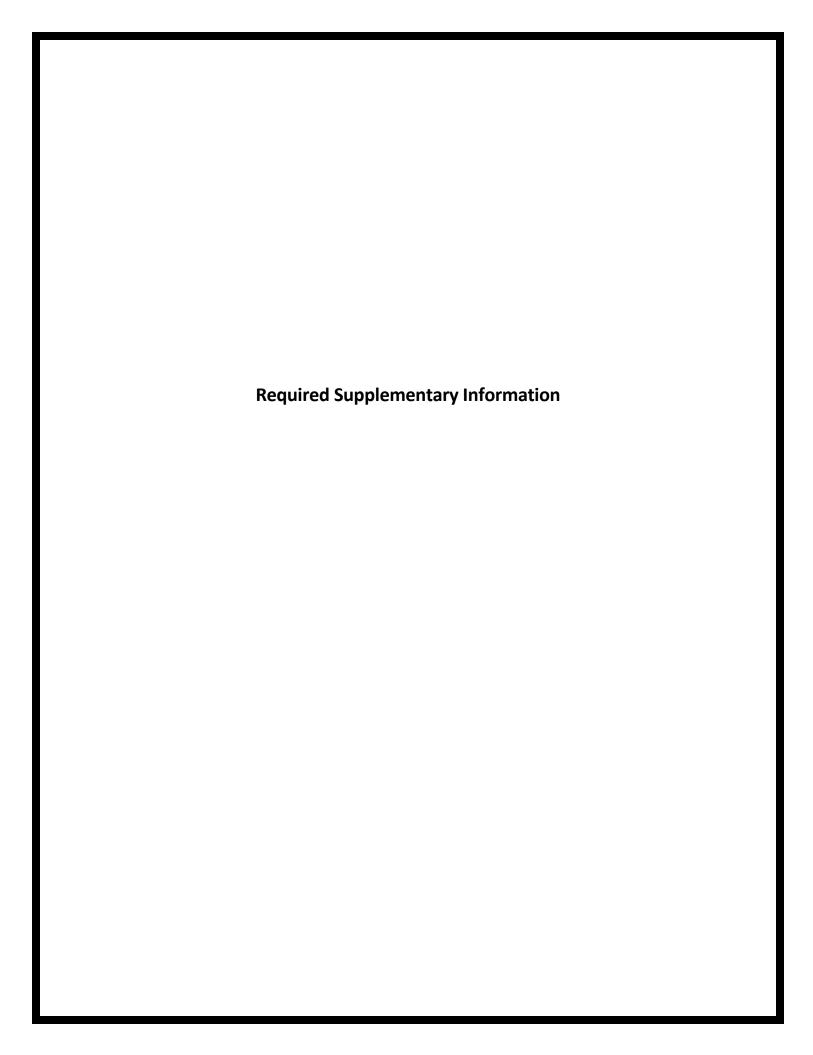
The School was the recipient of federal and state funding. Federal and state funding programs are subject to audit by the federal or state government or their representatives. Accordingly, the amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the program representatives cannot be determined at this time, although the School expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

NOTE 11: RISK MANAGEMENT

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 students; and natural disasters. The School has purchased commercial insurance to address these risks. There have been no significant reductions in the Schools insurance coverage during the year ended June 30, 2023. In addition, there have been no settlements in excess of the School's coverage.

NOTE 12: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated all subsequent events through April 9, 2024, the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.



Schedule of Capital Assets (Unaudited) June 30, 2023

Land \$ 360,237

Depreciable capital assets

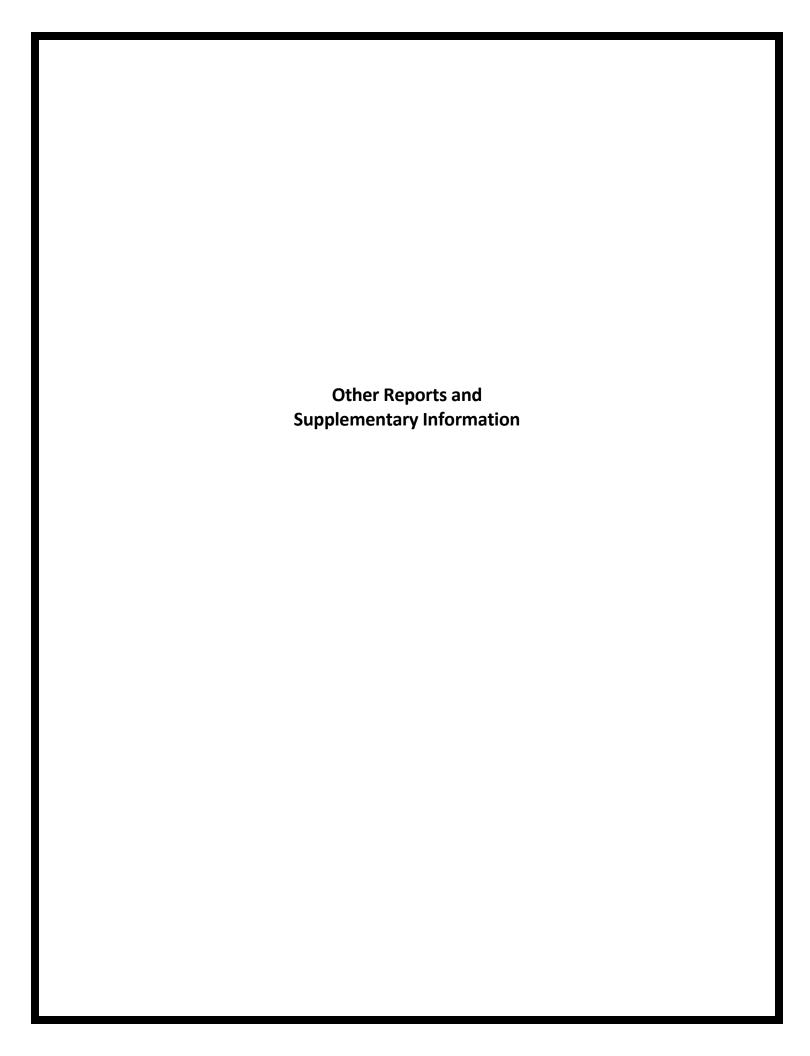
Buildings \$ 30,319,558 Furniture and equipment 2,988,054

33,307,612

Less accumulated depreciation 7,803,017

Total depreciable capital assets 25,504,595

Capital assets, net \$ 25,864,832





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**

To the School Board **Arkansas Arts Academy and Subsidiary** Rogers, Arkansas

We have audited, 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, the consolidated financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Arkansas Arts Academy and Subsidiary (the School) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's consolidated financial statements as listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated April 9, 2024. We issued an adverse opinion because the School prepared the consolidated financial statements using accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the State of Arkansas, which practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). The effects on the consolidated financial statements between the regulatory basis of accounting and U.S. GAAP, although not readily determinable, are presumed to be material. However, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities, and fund balances of the funds as presented of the School as of June 30, 2023, and their respective revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances and budgetary comparisons for the year then ended, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions prescribed by the State described in Note 2.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School's consolidated 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 consolidated 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

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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 School'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.

Rogers, Arkansas April 9, 2024



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER **COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

To the School Board **Arkansas Arts Academy and Subsidiary** Rogers, Arkansas

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Arkansas Arts Academy and Subsidiary (the "School") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the School's major federal programs for the year June 30, 2023. The School's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the School complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (Government Auditing Standards); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the School and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the School's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the School's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the School's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the School's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design
 and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on
 a test basis, evidence regarding the School's compliance with the compliance requirements
 referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the
 circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the School's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in
 order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report
 on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the
 purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control over
 compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed an instance of noncompliance which was required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2023-001. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to this matter. *Government Auditing Standards* requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on School's response to the noncompliance finding identified in our audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The School's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we did identify a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a material weakness.

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 a 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. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2023-001 to be a material weakness.

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 audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the School's response to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The School's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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 the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Rogers, Arkansas April 9, 2024

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Year ended June 30, 2023

Cluster/Program	Federal Agency / Pass-Through Entity	Pass-Through Entity Identifyin Number		Amount Expended
	U.S. Department of Agriculture			
Child Nutrition Cluster				
School Breakfast	AR Department of Health and			
Program	Human Services	0440	10.553	\$ 54,759
Commodities	AR Department of Health and Human Services	0440	10.555	31,160
National School Lunch Program	AR Department of Health and Human Services	0440	10.555	259,523
Performance Based Reiumbursement	AR Department of Health and Human Services	0440	10.555	6,243
School Snack Program	AR Department of Health and Human Services	0440	10.555	81
Supply Chain Assistance II	AR Department of Health and Human Services	0440	10.555	27,795
Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Program	AR Department of Health and Human Services	0440	10.582	15,204
	Total Child Nutrition Clus	ster		394,765
	Total U.S. Department of Agricult	ture		394,765
	National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities			
Promotion of the Arts	AR Department of Education	0440	45.025	1,000
	Total National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities			1,000

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Year ended June 30, 2023

		Pass-Through	Assistance	
	Federal Agency /	Entity Identifyin	g Listing	Amount
Cluster/Program	Pass-Through Entity	Number	Number	Expended
	U.S. Department of Education			
Title I Grants to Local Education				
Agencies	AR Department of Education	0440	84.010	175,814
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)				
Title VI-B Pass Through Funding	AR Department of Education	0440	84.027	255,987
Title VI-B ARP Special Education				
School Age Funding	AR Department of Education	0440	84.027X	6,000
Title VI-B Early Childhood	AR Department of Education	0440	84.173	8,389
	Total Special Education Cluster	(IDEA)		270,376
Title II, Part A - Improving				
Teacher Quality Grant	AR Department of Education	0440	84.367	2,215
ESSER II Elementary and Secondar	у			
Emergency Relief Fund	AR Department of Education	0440	84.425D	8,297
ESSER II Supplemental	AR Department of Education	0440	84.425D	39,077
ARP ESSER III	AR Department of Education	0440	84.425U	464,094
CTE ARP Start Up	AR Department of Education	0440	84.425U	18,890
ARPA II - Homeless Children				
and Youth	AR Department of Education	0440	84.425W	2,640
	Total U.S. Department of Educati	on		981,403
	Total Federal Awards Expended			\$ 1,377,168

Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Year ended June 30, 2023

Scope of Audit Pursuant to the Uniform Guidance

All federal and state financial award programs of Arkansas Arts Academy and Subsidiary (the School) are included in the scope of the Uniform Guidance audit. For purposes of this schedule, federal awards include those received from other agencies, the original source of which was a federal agency.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The School's grant funds are accounted for on the modified cash basis of accounting. Under the modified cash basis, grant revenues are recognized when received and expenditures are recorded when paid. These grant funds are included in the "Federal Assistance" line of the Consolidated Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Regulatory Basis. The School is the recipient of federal and state grant awards. The grant programs are administered by various departments within the School. The activities of these departments are monitored by School staff to ensure compliance with the requirements of grants.

Relationship to Federal Financial Reports

Grant expenditures reports as of June 30, 2023, which have been submitted to grantor agencies will, in some cases, differ slightly from amounts disclosed herein. The reports prepared for grantor agencies are typically prepared at a later date and often reflect refined estimates of the year-end accruals. The reports will agree at termination of the grant as the discrepancies noted are timing differences.

10% De Minimis Indirect Cost Rate

The School has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Subrecipients

No awards were provided to subrecipients.

Medicaid Reimbursements

Medicaid reimbursements are defined as contracts for services and not federal awards; therefore, they are not covered by the reporting requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Total Medicaid funding for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$185,170, of which \$15,516 was from the Arkansas Department of Human Services.

Schedule of State Assistance Year ended June 30, 2023

		Pass-Through Entity		
Cluster/Program	Pass-Through Entity	Identifying Number		mount warded
Assessment End of Learning	AR Department of Education	0440	\$	2,900
Career New Program Start-up	AR Department of Education	0440		6,881
Charter School Facilities Funding	AR Department of Education	0440		655,770
Early Childhood Special Education	AR Department of Education	0440		4,166
Early Intervention Day Treatment	AR Department of Education	0440		1,479
Limited English Proficiency Funding	AR Department of Education	0440		33,306
National Board Certification	AR Department of Education	0440		6,132
National School Lunch Student Funding AR Department of Education 0440				186,686
Professional Development Funding	AR Department of Education	0440		44,333
State Child Nutrition Match	AR Department of Education	0440		3,482
State Foundation Funding	AR Department of Education	0440	8	,763,723
State School Safety Grant	AR Department of Education	0440		1,272
Teacher Salary Equality Funding	AR Department of Education	0440		218,709
Total AR Department of Education	on		9	,928,839
Total State Awards			\$ 9	,928,839

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year ended June 30, 2023

I. SUMMARY OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S RESULTS

1.	· · ·	nion expressed in the independent auditor's report on accounting principles generally accepted United States of America:			
	☐ Unmodified	☐ Qualified	⊠ Adverse	☐ Disclaimer	
	The opinions expressed permitted by the State	•		s report on the	basis of accounting prescribed or
	☑ Unmodified	☐ Qualified	☐ Adverse	☐ Disclaimer	
2.	. The independent audit	or's report or	internal contro	over financial re	eporting disclosed:
	Significant deficiend Material weakness	• • •		☐ Yes ☐ Yes	☑ None reported ☑ No
3.	. Noncompliance consid	ered material	to the financial	statements was o ☐ Yes	
4.	. The independent audit have a direct and mat	•		•	nce with requirements that could gram disclosed:
	Significant deficiend Material weakness	• • •		□ Yes ⊠ Yes	☑ None reported☐ No
5.	•	•		•	nal control over compliance with h major federal awards program
	☑ Unmodified	☐ Qualified	☐ Adverse	☐ Disclaimer	
6.	. The audit disclosed find	dings required	d to be reported	by the Uniform (Guidance?
				⊠ Yes	□ No

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year ended June 30, 2023

7. The School's major programs were:

Cluster / Program	Assistance Listing Number		
Child Nutrition Cluster	10.553, 10.555, 10.582		
ESSER II Elementary and Secondary			
Emergency Relief Fund	84.425D		
ESSER II Supplemental	84.425D		
ARP ESSER III	84.425U		
CTE ARP Start Up	84.425U		
ARPA II - Homeless Children and Youth	84.425W		

- 8. The threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs as those terms are defined in the Uniform Guidance was \$750,000.
- 9. The School qualified as a low-risk auditee as that term is defined in the Uniform Guidance?

☐ Yes ☒ No

II. FINDINGS RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT AS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

There were no audit findings for the year ended June 30, 2023.

III. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

2023-001: Child Nutrition Cluster – Federal Assistance Listing Number 10.553, 10.555, 10.582

Condition: The School must complete student income verification using the standard sampling method as described in 7CFR 245.6(a).

Criteria and Cause: The Child Nutrition Unit (CNU), which is part of the Arkansas Department of Education, performed an Administrative Review for the School's Child Nutrition Program on January 6, 2023. The Administrative Review revealed ongoing verification violations by the program that continued to be out of compliance during the 2023 fiscal year in a letter to the School on January 27, 2023. The School failed to use the correct sampling method, did not prioritize error prone applications for selections, did not perform a confirmation review of the selected applications, did not use notification letters that were preapproved as part of the annual CNU Agreement, failed to provide proof of income for the selected applications, and did not maintain sufficient documentation of the verification process.

Effect: The CNU stated that the School was to be placed on a financial hold until all items in the corrective action plan had been received, reviewed, and confirmed.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year ended June 30, 2023

Recommendation: The School should complete all items in the corrective action plan provided by the CNU.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions: The School has completed all items in the corrective action plan and submitted them to the CNU. The CNU accepted the corrective action plan items and closed their administrative review in May 2023.

Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings Year ended June 30, 2023

There were no prior year audit findings for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Supplemental Data Sheet Required by the Department of Health and Human Services Year ended June 30, 2023

Name and address: Arkansas Arts Academy

1110 West Poplar Street, Suite A

Rogers, Arkansas 72756

Employer Identification Number: 71-0832162

Telephone Number: 479-877-1795

Chief Executive Officer: Dr. Allison Roberts

Contact Person: Dr. Allison Roberts

Cost of Audit: Available upon request.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON **COMPLIANCE WITH ARKANSAS STATE REQUIREMENTS**

To the School Board **Arkansas Arts Academy and Subsidiary** Rogers, Arkansas

We have examined management's assertions that the Arkansas Arts Academy and Subsidiary (the School) substantially complied with the requirements of Arkansas Code Annotated 6-1-101 and applicable laws and regulations listed on Arkansas Department of Education form OCI 95-96 during the year ended June 30, 2023. Management is responsible for the School's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the School's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, including examining, on a test basis, evidence about the School's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the School's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the School complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended June 30, 2023.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the School Board, management and the Arkansas Department of Education, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Rogers, Arkansas April 9, 2024