

Mound Street IT Careers Academy

Montgomery County

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Auditor of State

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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Mound Street IT Careers Academy, Montgomery County, prepared by Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. 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 Mound Street IT Careers Academy is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

*Mary Taylor*

Mary Taylor, CPA  
Auditor of State

January 2, 2009

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## Independent Auditor's Report

Mound Street IT Careers Academy  
Montgomery County  
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We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Mound Street IT Careers Academy, Montgomery County, Ohio (the Academy), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Academy's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Academy's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

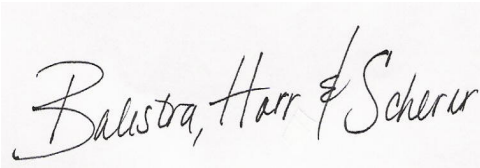
We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the Academy, as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 12, 2008, on our consideration of the Academy's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of the internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Management discussion and analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

As described in Note 12, the Academy implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 50, *Pension Disclosures – an amendment of GASB statement No. 25 and No. 27*, GASB Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* and GASB Statement No. 48, *Sales and Pledges of Receivables and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity transfers of Assets and Future Revenues*.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Balestra, Harr & Scherer". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc.

December 12, 2008

Mound Street IT Careers Academy  
Montgomery County, Ohio  
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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

The discussion and analysis of Mound Street IT Careers Academy's (the Academy) financial performance provides an overall review of the financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Academy's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Academy's financial performance.

**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- Total net assets increased \$285,022 in fiscal year 2008, which represents an 11.7% increase from fiscal year 2007, as a result of the Academy continuing to be fiscally responsible with regards to managing the Academy funds.
- Total assets increased \$274,226 which represents a 10.7% increase from the prior year. The increase is primarily due to the increase in cash and cash equivalents.
- The operating revenue for fiscal year 2008 in the amount of \$1,170,708 was \$91,704 more than the operating revenue reported for fiscal year 2007. This increase is due to an increase in private grants received and an increase in foundation payments received.
- The non-operating revenue for fiscal year 2008 in the amount of \$392,549 was \$95,503 less than the non-operating revenue reported for fiscal year 2007. This decrease is due to a decrease in interest revenue received and a decrease in state and federal grants received.

**USING THIS ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

This financial report contains the basic financial statements of the Academy, as well as the Management's Discussion and Analysis and notes to the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include a statement of net assets, statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets, and a statement of cash flows. As the Academy reports its operations using enterprise fund accounting, all financial transactions and accounts are reported as one activity, therefore the entity wide and the fund presentation are the same.

*Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets*

The statement of net assets and the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets answer the question, "How did we do financially during the fiscal year?" The statement of net assets includes all assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term, using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement 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.

The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets reports the changes in net assets. This change in net assets is important because it tells the reader that, for the Academy as a whole, the financial position of the Academy has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not.

These statements report the Academy's net assets, however, in evaluating the overall position and financial viability of the Academy, non-financial information such as the condition of the Academy's building and potential changes in the laws governing charter schools in the State of Ohio will also need to be evaluated.



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**THE ACADEMY AS A WHOLE**

As stated previously, the Statement of Net Assets provides the perspective of the Academy as a whole. Table 1 provides a summary of the Academy's net assets for 2008 compared to 2007.

Table 1 Net Assets		2008	2007
Assets:			
Current and Other Assets		\$ 2,590,294	\$ 2,304,349
Capital Assets, Net		238,397	250,116
Total Assets		2,828,691	2,554,465
Liabilities:			
Current and Other Liabilities		80,884	96,264
Noncurrent Liabilities		31,655	27,071
Total Liabilities		112,539	123,335
Net Assets:			
Invested in Capital Assets		238,397	250,116
Restricted		403,401	498,179
Unrestricted		2,074,354	1,682,835
Total Net Assets		\$ 2,716,152	\$ 2,431,130

Total net assets of the Academy increased by \$285,022 or 11.7%. The increase in total net assets from fiscal year 2008 is primarily due to an increase in cash and cash equivalents as cash receipts exceed cash disbursements in fiscal year 2008.

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Table 2 shows the changes in net assets for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008 and 2007.

Table 2  
Change in Net Assets

	2008	2007
Revenues		
Operating revenues:		
Foundation payments	\$ 977,161	\$ 896,840
Other operating revenues	193,547	182,164
Total Operating revenues	1,170,708	1,079,004
Non-operating revenues:		
State and federal grants	302,909	385,236
Other non-operating revenue	-	5,952
Interest earnings	89,640	96,864
Total non-operating revenues	392,549	488,052
Total Revenues	1,563,257	1,567,056
Expenses		
Operating expenses:		
Salaries	714,845	668,189
Fringe benefits	200,503	198,101
Other purchased services	240,529	249,655
Materials and supplies	81,166	25,996
Depreciation	24,211	24,152
Other expenses	16,087	39,971
Non-operating expenses:		
Loss on disposal of capital assets	894	-
Total Expenses	1,278,235	1,206,064
Increase in Net Assets	285,022	360,992
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	2,431,130	2,070,138
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ 2,716,152	\$ 2,431,130

Foundation payments from the State of Ohio increased by \$80,321 from fiscal year 2007 to fiscal year 2008, due in part to an increase in the number of students enrolled in the Academy. State and federal grants decreased by \$82,327 due to less participation in state and federal programs in 2008.

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**Capital Assets**

At June 30, 2008 the capital assets of the Academy consisted of the building in the amount of \$178,029 offset by \$16,741 in accumulated depreciation, furniture and equipment amounting to \$140,374 with accumulated depreciation of \$69,078, vehicles in the amount of \$7,435 with accumulated depreciation of \$1,622 resulting in net capital assets of \$238,397. The Academy had a few additions and one deletion of capital assets. Depreciation expense for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 amounted to \$24,211.

See Note 4 of the notes to the basic financial statements for more detailed information on the Academy's capital assets.

**Contacting the Academy**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the finances of Mound Street IT Careers Academy and to show the Academy's accountability for the monies it receives to all vested and interested parties, as well as meeting the annual reporting requirements of the State of Ohio. Any questions about the information contained within this report or requests for additional financial information should be directed to:

Mound Street IT Careers Academy  
Attn: Treasurer  
354 Mound Street  
Dayton, Ohio 45402  
(937) 223-3041

**MOUND STREET IT CAREERS ACADEMY  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO  
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS  
JUNE 30, 2008**

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**ASSETS:**

**Current Assets:**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,550,168
Receivables:	
Intergovernmental	<u>40,126</u>
Total current assets	<u>2,590,294</u>

**Noncurrent Assets:**

Capital Assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>238,397</u>
Total assets	<u>2,828,691</u>

**LIABILITIES:**

**Current Liabilities:**

Accounts payable	6,562
Accrued wages and benefits	64,333
Intergovernmental payable	<u>9,989</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>80,884</u>

**Noncurrent Liabilities:**

Compensated absences payable	<u>31,655</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>31,655</u>
Total liabilities	<u>112,539</u>

**NET ASSETS:**

Invested in capital assets	238,397
Restricted	403,401
Unrestricted	<u>2,074,354</u>
Total net assets	<u><u>\$ 2,716,152</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**MOUND STREET IT CAREERS ACADEMY  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

<b>OPERATING REVENUES:</b>	
Foundation payments	\$ 977,161
Other operating revenue	193,547
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Total operating revenues	1,170,708
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<b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>	
Salaries	714,845
Fringe benefits	200,503
Other purchased services	240,529
Materials and supplies	81,166
Depreciation	24,211
Other	16,087
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Total operating expenses	1,277,341
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Operating loss	(106,633)
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<b>NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>	
Interest earnings	89,640
State and federal grant revenue	302,909
Loss on Sale of Capital Assets	(894)
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Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	391,655
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Change in net assets	285,022
Net assets, beginning of year	2,431,130
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Net Assets, end of year	<u><u>\$ 2,716,152</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**MOUND STREET IT CAREERS ACADEMY  
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

Cash from State of Ohio	\$ 977,161
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(337,738)
Cash payments to employees for services and benefits	(910,101)
Other operating cash disbursements	(16,087)
Other operating cash receipts	<u>195,081</u>

Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities (91,684)

**CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES**

Payments for capital acquisitions	<u>(13,386)</u>
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Net cash used for capital financing activities (13,386)

**CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES**

Federal and state subsidies	<u>293,871</u>
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Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities 293,871

**CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES**

Interest earnings	<u>89,640</u>
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Net cash provided by investing activities 89,640

NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS 278,441

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR 2,271,727

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR \$ 2,550,168

**RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED FOR) OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

Operating (loss) \$ (106,633)

Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:

Depreciation 24,211

Changes in assets and liabilities:

Decrease in accounts receivable 1,534

Decrease in accounts payable (16,043)

Increase in accrued wages and benefits payable 3,976

Decrease in intergovernmental payable (3,313)

Increase in compensated absences payable 4,584

Total adjustments 14,949

Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities \$ (91,684)

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**MOUND STREET IT CAREERS ACADEMY**  
**MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO**  
**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**NOTE 1 – DESCRIPTION OF THE ACADEMY AND REPORTING ENTITY**

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

The Academy was approved for operation under contract with the Montgomery County Educational Service Center (Sponsor) for a period of one year commencing with fiscal year July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. The sponsorship contract is renewed annually. The Academy operates under a self-appointing six-member Board of Trustees (the Board). The Academy's Code of Regulations specifies that vacancies that arise on the Board be filled by the appointment of a successor trustee by a majority vote of the then existing trustees. The Board is responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract with the Sponsor which includes but is not limited to, state mandated provisions regarding student population, curriculum, academic goals, performance standards, admission standards, and qualifications of teachers. The Academy has one instructional/support facility staffed by one superintendent, one principal, nine certified teaching personnel and seven non-certified support personnel who provide services to an enrollment of 118 students.

**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements of the Academy 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.

The Academy also applies financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) statements and interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, provided they do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The Academy has elected not to apply FASB Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989.

The more significant of the Academy's accounting policies are described below.

*Basis of presentation*

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

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**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Measurement focus and basis of accounting*

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. 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 assets. The difference between total assets and liabilities are defined as net assets. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets present increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in total net assets.

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 utilized for reporting purposes. Revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

*Budgetary process*

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

The Board of Trustees adopts a formal budget at the beginning of the school year. Spending limits are set based on projected revenue from the State of Ohio and other known sources. The Board's adoption of the budget states that actual expenditures are "not to exceed" budget amounts. The Academy Principal and Treasurer are responsible for ensuring that purchases are made within these limits. However, any variances from the budgetary amounts are presented to the Board for subsequent approval.

*Cash and cash equivalents and investments*

All monies received by the Academy are maintained in demand deposit accounts, a savings account, and investments. For internal accounting purposes, the Academy segregates its cash using fund accounting.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Academy are considered to be cash equivalents.

During fiscal year 2008, the School District's investments were limited to funds invested in the State Treasury Assets Reserve of Ohio (STAR-Ohio). StarOhio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office that allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. StarOhio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in StarOhio are valued at StarOhio's share price which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2008.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue during fiscal year 2008 amounted to \$89,640.



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**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Capital assets and depreciation*

Capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market value as of the date received. The Academy maintains a capitalization threshold of \$1,000. The Academy does not have any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the asset's life are expensed. Depreciation of building, furniture and equipment, and vehicles is computed using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives of three, five, seven or forty years.

*Intergovernmental revenues*

The Academy currently participates in the State Foundation Program and various grants awarded through state and federal programs. These programs include Title I, Title II-A, Title II-D, Title IV, Title IV-A, E-Rate, 21<sup>st</sup> Century, and Part B-IDEA. The State Foundation Program and certain other state grants are recognized as operating revenues in the accounting period in which they are earned, essentially the same as the fiscal year. Most other federal and state grants and entitlements are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements of the grants have been met.

Amounts awarded under state and federal grant or entitlement programs for the 2008 school year totaled \$1,280,070.

*Accrued liabilities payable*

The Academy has recognized certain liabilities on its statement of net assets relating to expenses, which are due but unpaid as of June 30, 2008 including:

Wages Payable – salary payments made after year-end for services rendered in fiscal year 2008. Teaching personnel are paid in 26 equal installments, ending with the first payroll in July, for services rendered during the previous school year. Therefore, a liability has been recognized at June 30, 2008 for the first salary payments made to personnel in the month of July 2008.

Intergovernmental payable – payment for the SERS' surcharge and workers' compensation (\$9,989) associated with services rendered during fiscal year 2008, but was not paid until the subsequent fiscal year.

*Compensated absences*

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those the Academy has identified as probable of receiving payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employees' wage rates at fiscal year end, taking into consideration any limits specified in the Academy's termination policy. The Academy records a liability for accumulated unused sick leave for all employees after 10 years of current service with the Academy.

The entire compensated absences liability is reported on the basic financial statements.

The Academy does not record a liability for personal and vacation leave because its policy is not to pay out accumulated personal and vacation leave balances upon termination of employment.

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**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Net assets*

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets consist of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. The Academy applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

As of June 30, 2008, of the Academy's \$403,401 restricted net assets, none were restricted by enabling legislation.

*Operating and non-operating revenues and expenses*

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly by the Academy's primary mission as well as other charges for services and other operating revenues. For the Academy, operating revenues include foundation payments received from the State of Ohio as well as other charges for services and other operating revenues. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to support the Academy's primary mission, including depreciation.

Non-operating revenues and expenses are those that are not generated directly by the Academy's primary mission. Various state and federal grants, as well as interest revenue and the loss on disposal of capital assets comprise the non-operating revenues and expenses of the Academy.

*Federal tax exemption status*

The Academy is a non-profit organization that has been determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be exempt from federal income taxes as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

*Estimates*

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

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**NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

*Deposits*

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Academy’s deposits may not be returned to it. According to state law, public depositories must give security for all public funds on deposit in excess of those funds that are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or by any other agency or instrumentality of the federal government. These institutions may either specifically collateralize individual accounts in lieu of amounts insured by the FDIC, or may pledge a pool of government securities valued at least 105% of the total value of public monies on deposit at the institution. The Academy’s policy is to deposit money with financial institutions that are able to abide by the laws governing insurance and collateralization of public funds.

As of June 30, 2008, the Academy’s bank balance of \$1,586,968 is either covered by FDIC or collateralized by the financial institutions public entity deposit pools in the manner described above.

*Investments*

Investments are reported at fair value. As of June 30, 2008, the Academy had the following investment:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Weighted Average Maturity (Yrs.)</u>
STAR Ohio	<u>\$ 969,523</u>	Less than 1 year

The Academy’s investment policy permits the purchase of any security specifically authorized by the Ohio Revised Code.

**Interest Rate Risk** – Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Academy will not directly invest in securities maturing more than five years from the date of purchase.

**Credit risk** – Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Investments in STAR Ohio were rated AAAM by Standard & Poor’s. The Academy’s policy does not address credit risk for investments.

**Concentration of credit risk** – Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government’s investment in a single issuer. The Academy has invested 100% in investments with a weighted average maturity of less than one year. .

**Custodial credit risk** is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Academy will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Academy does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. All of the Academy’s investments are either insured and registered in the name of the Academy or at least registered in the name of the Academy.

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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO**  
**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**NOTE 4 – CAPITAL ASSETS**

A summary of the Academy's capital assets at June 30, 2008, follows:

	<b>Balance 6/30/2007</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Deletions</b>	<b>Balance 6/30/2008</b>
<b>Capital Assets, being depreciated</b>				
Building	\$177,449	\$580	0	\$178,029
Furniture and Equipment	129,252	12,806	(1,684)	140,374
Vehicles	7,435	0	0	7,435
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	<u>314,136</u>	<u>13,386</u>	<u>(1,684)</u>	<u>325,838</u>
<b>Less: Accumulated Depreciation</b>				
Building	(12,281)	(4,460)	0	(16,741)
Furniture and Equipment	(50,117)	(19,751)	(790)	(69,078)
Vehicles	(1,622)	0	0	(1,622)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(64,020)</u>	<u>(24,211)</u>	<u>(790)</u>	<u>(87,441)</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	<u>\$250,116</u>	<u>(\$10,825)</u>	<u>(894)</u>	<u>\$238,397</u>

**NOTE 5 – RISK MANAGEMENT**

Property and liability – The Academy is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; theft of or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2008, the Academy contracted with Indiana Insurance Company for business property, director and officer liability, auto, and general liability insurance. Business personal property coverage carries a \$1,000 deductible and has a \$1,000,000 limit. Auto coverage carries a \$500 deductible for comprehensive and collision and has a \$1,000,000 limit. General liability coverage provides \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate with no deductible. The Indiana Insurance Company also provides umbrella liability coverage of \$4,000,000 per occurrence, as well as, in the aggregate.

There has been no reduction in coverage from the prior year and settled claims have not exceeded the Academy's coverage in any of the past three years.

Employee insurance benefits – The Academy offers health and dental insurance benefits to employees of whom the Academy pays 90% and the employee pays 10% of the premiums. The Academy also offers life insurance to its employees of which it pays 100% of the premiums. These benefits are administered by Anthem.

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**NOTE 6 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS**

**A. School Employees Retirement System**

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

Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Academy is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended, up to statutory maximum amounts, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The Academy's contributions to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$38,172, \$35,604, and \$24,198, respectively; equal to 100% for the fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006.

**B. State Teachers Retirement System**

State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement system.

STRS Ohio is a statewide retirement plan for licensed teachers and other faculty members employed in the public schools of Ohio or any school, community school, college, university, institution or other agency controlled, managed and supported, in whole or in part, by the state or any political subdivision thereof.

**Plan Options** – New members have a choice of three retirement plan options. In addition to the Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, new members are offered a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DC Plan allows members to allocate all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation among various investment choices. The Combined Plan offers features of the DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are allocated to investment choices by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund a defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. Contributions into the DC Plan and the Combined Plan are credited to member accounts as employers submit their payroll information to STRS Ohio, generally on a biweekly basis. DC and Combined Plan members will transfer to the DB Plan during their fifth year of membership unless they permanently select the DC or Combined Plan.

**DB Plan Benefits** – Plan benefits are established under Chapter 3307 of the Revised Code. Any member may retire who has (i) five years of service credit and attained age 60; (ii) 25 years of service credit and attained age 55; or (iii) 30 years of service credit regardless of age. The annual retirement allowance, payable for life, is the greater of the "formula benefit" or the "money-purchase benefit" calculation. Under the "formula benefit," the retirement allowance is based on years of credited service and final average salary, which is the average of the member's three highest salary years. The annual allowance is calculated by using a base percentage of 2.2% multiplied by the total number of years of service credit (including Ohio-valued purchased credit) times the final average salary. The 31st year of earned Ohio service credit is

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calculated at 2.5%. An additional one-tenth of a percent is added to the calculation for every year of earned Ohio service over 31 years (2.6% for 32 years, 2.7% for 33 years and so on) until 100% of final average salary is reached. For members with 35 or more years of Ohio contributing service, the first 30 years will be calculated at 2.5% instead of 2.2%. Under the “money-purchase benefit” calculation, a member’s lifetime contributions plus interest at specified rates are matched by an equal amount from other STRS Ohio funds. This total is then divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor to determine the maximum annual retirement allowance.

**DC Plan Benefits** – Benefits are established under Sections 3307.80 to 3307.89 of the Revised Code. For members who select the DC Plan, all member contributions and employer contributions at a rate of 10.5% are placed in an investment account. The member determines how to allocate the member and employer money among various investment choices. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump-sum withdrawal. Employer contributions into members’ accounts are vested after the first anniversary of the first day of paid service. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member dies before retirement benefits begin, the member’s designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member’s account balance.

**Combined Plan Benefits** – Member contributions are allocated by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund a defined benefit payment. A member’s defined benefit is determined by multiplying 1% of the member’s final average salary by the member’s years of service credit. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50.

A retiree of STRS Ohio or another Ohio public retirement system is eligible for reemployment as a teacher following the elapse of two months from the date of retirement. Contributions are made by the reemployed member and employer during the reemployment. Upon termination of reemployment or age 65, whichever comes later, the retiree is eligible for an annuity benefit or equivalent lump-sum payment in addition to the original retirement allowance. A reemployed retiree may alternatively receive a refund of only member contributions with interest before age 65, once employment is terminated.

Benefits are increased annually by 3% of the original base amount for DB Plan participants.

The DB and Combined Plans offer access to health care coverage to eligible retirees who participated in the plans and their eligible dependents. Coverage under the current program includes hospitalization, physicians’ fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. By Ohio law, health care benefits are not guaranteed.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years’ credited service who becomes disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible spouses and dependents of these active members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor benefits. A death benefit of \$1,000 is payable to the beneficiary of each deceased retired member who participated in the DB Plan. Death benefit coverage up to \$2,000 can be purchased by participants in the DB, DC or Combined Plans. Various other benefits are available to members’ beneficiaries.

Chapter 3307 of the Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10% for members and 14% for employers.

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**NOTE 6 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent. The portion allocated to fund pension obligations was 13 percent for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006. The Academy's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$73,404, \$75,312, and \$68,173, respectively; equal to 100% for the fiscal year 2008, 2007 and 2006.

STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report. Additional information or copies of STRS Ohio's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report can be requested by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Ohio website at [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org).

**Social Security System**

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System have an option to choose Social Security or the School Employees Retirement System/State Teachers Retirement System. As of June 30, 2008, there were no members participating in Social Security. The Board's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

**NOTE 7 – POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**State Teachers Retirement System**

STRS Ohio administers a pension plan that is comprised of: a defined benefit plan; a self-directed defined contribution plan; and a combined plan, which is a hybrid of the defined benefit and defined contribution plan.

Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer a cost-sharing, multiple-employer health care plan. STRS Ohio provides access to health care coverage to eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined plans. Coverage under the current program includes hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Pursuant to Section 3307 of the Revised Code, the Retirement Board has discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the associated health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. All benefit recipients, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium.

STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report. Interested parties can view the most recent Comprehensive Annual Financial Report by visiting [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org) or by requesting a copy by calling toll free (888) 227-7877.

All STRS benefit recipients and sponsored dependents are eligible for healthcare coverage. The STRS Board has statutory authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. Of the 14 percent contribution rate, 1 percent of covered payroll was allocated to post-employment health care for the years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006. For the Academy, these amounts equaled \$5,646, \$5,793, and \$3,996 for fiscal years 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

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**NOTE 7 – POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)**

**School Employees Retirement System**

In addition to a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, the School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (SERS) administers two post-employment benefit plans.

**Medicare Part B Plan**

The Medicare B plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries as set forth in Ohio Revised Code 3309.69. Qualified benefit recipients who pay Medicare Part B premiums may apply for and receive a monthly reimbursement from SERS. The reimbursement amount is limited by statute to the lesser of the January 1, 1999 Medicare Part B premium or the current premium. The Medicare Part B premium for calendar year 2008 was \$96.40; SERS' reimbursement to retirees was \$45.50.

The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the current employer contribution rate to the Medicare B Fund. For fiscal years 2008, 2007, and 2006, the actuarially required allocations were 0.66 percent, .68 percent, and .78 percent, respectively. For the Academy, contributions for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$1,800, \$1,276, and \$240, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for those years.

**Health Care Plan**

Ohio Revised Code 3309.375 and 3309.69 permit SERS to offer health care benefits to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. SERS offers several types of health plans from various vendors, including HMOs, PPOs, and traditional indemnity plans. A prescription drug program is also available to those who elect health coverage. SERS employs two third-party administrators and a pharmacy benefit manager to manage the self-insurance and prescription drug plans, respectively.

The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority to fund SERS' post-employment benefits through employer contributions. Active members do not make contributions to the post-employment benefit plans.

The Health Care Fund was established under, and is administered in accordance with, Internal Revenue Code 401(h). Each year after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer 14 percent contribution to the Health Care Fund. At June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006, the health care allocations were 4.18 percent, 3.32 percent, and 3.42 percent, respectively. The actuarially required contribution (ARC), as of the December 31, 2006 annual valuation (the latest available), was 11.50 percent of covered payroll. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities of the plan over a period not to exceed thirty years. For the Academy, the amounts contributed to fund health care benefits, including the surcharge, during the 2008, 2007, and 2006 fiscal years equaled \$9,353, \$12,279, and \$3,173, respectively.

An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2008, the minimum compensation level was established at \$35,800.



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**NOTE 7 – POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)**

**School Employees Retirement System (Continued)**

The SERS Retirement Board establishes the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending upon the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status.

The financial reports of SERS' Health Care and Medicare B plans are included in its *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. The report can be obtained by contacting SERS, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under *Forms and Publications*.

**NOTE 8 - CONTINGENCIES**

*Grants*

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

*State Funding*

The Ohio Department of Education conducts reviews of enrollment date and FTE calculations made by the schools. These reviews are conducted to ensure the schools are reporting accurate student enrollment data to the State, upon which state foundation funding is calculated. The conclusions of this review could result in state funding being adjusted. The Academy does not anticipate any material adjustments to state funding for fiscal year 2008, as a result of such a review.

*Litigation*

A suit was filed in Franklin County Common Pleas Court on May 14, 2001 alleging that Ohio's Community (i.e., Charter) School programs violate the State Constitution and state laws. On April 23, 2004, the Court dismissed the counts containing constitutional claims and stayed the other counts pending appeal of the constitutional issues. The plaintiffs appealed to the Court of Appeals, the issues have been briefed and the case was heard on November 18, 2003. On August 24, 2004, the Court of Appeals rendered a decision that Community Schools are part of the State public educational system and this matter was sent to the Ohio Supreme Court. On October 25, 2006, the Supreme Court of Ohio held that Chapter 3314 of the Ohio Revised Code, the State law authorizing establishment and operation of community or "charter" schools, is constitutional both on its face and as applied.

**NOTE 9 – LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

Changes in long-term obligations of the Academy during fiscal year 2008 were as follows:

	Balance Outstanding <u>At June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance Outstanding <u>At June 30, 2008</u>	Amount Due in <u>One Year</u>
Compensated Absences	\$ 27,071	\$ 31,655	\$ 27,071	\$ 31,655	\$ -

Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employee is paid.

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**NOTE 10 – RELATED PARTIES**

The Superintendent and Treasurer of Mound Street IT Careers Academy serve in the same capacity for Mound Street Health Careers Academy and Mound Street Military Careers Academy. Members of the Board of Trustees for Mound Street IT Careers Academy are permitted to serve on an additional Board from either the Mound Street Health Careers Academy or Mound Street Military Careers Academy. Transactions between the three Academies are insignificant.

**NOTE 11 – OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES**

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, other purchased service expenses for services rendered by various vendors were as follows:

Professional & technical services	\$	157,596
Property Services		34,327
Travel Mileage/Meeting Expense		5,675
Communications		4,846
Electricity		17,555
Water & Sewer		660
Gas		4,763
Contracted Craft/Trade Services		1,145
Tuition		11,352
Other		2,031
Pupil Transportation		579
Total Other Purchased Services	\$	240,529

**NOTE 12 – CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE**

For the fiscal year 2008, the School District implemented GASB Statement No. 50, *Pension Disclosures— an amendment of GASB Statements No. 25 and No. 27*, GASB Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, and GASB Statement No. 48, *Sales and Pledges of Receivables and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity transfers of Assets and Future Revenues*. GASB Statement No. 50 more closely aligns the financial reporting requirements for pensions with those for other postemployment benefits (OPEB) and, in doing so, enhances information disclosed in notes to financial statements or presented as required supplementary information (RSI) by pension plans and by employers that provide pension benefits. GASB Statement No. 45 establishes standards for the measurement, recognition, and display of OPEB expense/expenditures and related liabilities (assets), note disclosures, and, if applicable, required supplementary information (RSI) in the financial reports of state and local governmental employers. GASB Statement No. 48 establishes criteria that governments use to ascertain whether certain transactions should be regarded as sales or collateralized borrowings, and disclosure requirements for future revenues that are pledged or sold. The application of these new standards did not have a material effect on the financial statements, nor did their implementation require a restatement of prior year balances.

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

Members of the Board  
Mound Street IT Careers Academy  
Montgomery County, Ohio  
354 Mound Street  
Dayton, Ohio 45402

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities of Mound Street IT Careers Academy, Montgomery County, Ohio (the Academy), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008 and have issued our report thereon dated December 12, 2008 in which we noted that the Academy adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 45, Statement No. 50 and Statement No. 48. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that Academy's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

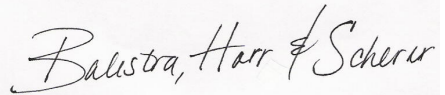
A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, result in more than a remote likelihood that the Academy's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

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

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Academy's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report for the information and use of management and members of the Board. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.



Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc.  
December 12, 2008



**Mary Taylor, CPA**  
Auditor of State

**MOUND STREET I T CAREERS ACADEMY**

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
JANUARY 15, 2009**