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**OHIO VALLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Ohio Valley Educational Service Center
Guernsey County
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To the Governing Board:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Guernsey County, Ohio (the Educational Service Center), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Educational Service Center's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Guernsey County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *Management's Discussion and Analysis* listed in the Table of Contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, consisting of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, to the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not opine or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to opine or provide any other assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 9, 2016, on our consideration of the Educational Service Center's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Educational Service Center's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Dave Yost
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

May 9, 2016

Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Ohio

*Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014
Unaudited*

The discussion and analysis of the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center's (the "Educational Service Center") financial performance provides an overall review of the Educational Service Center's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Educational Service Center'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 Educational Service Center's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for the fiscal year 2014 are as follows:

- In total, net position of governmental activities increased \$112,688 which represents a 6 percent increase from the prior fiscal year ending net position.
- General revenues accounted for \$876,307 in revenue or 10 percent of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, grants, and contributions accounted for \$8,115,951 or 90 percent of total revenues of \$8,992,258.
- The Educational Service Center had \$8,879,570 in expenses related to governmental activities. Only \$8,115,951 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants, and contributions. General revenues of \$876,307 were sufficient to provide for the remainder of these programs.
- The Educational Service Center's major fund is the General Fund. The General Fund had \$8,382,039 in revenues, \$8,262,852 in expenditures and \$300,000 in other financing source. The General Fund's balance increased \$419,187.

Using this Annual Financial Report

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the Educational Service Center as a financial whole, an entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities and conditions.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole Educational Service Center, presenting both an aggregate view of the Educational Service Center's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the Educational Service Center's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column.

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Reporting the Educational Service Center as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities

While this document contains information about the funds used by the Educational Service Center to provide programs and activities for school districts, the view of the Educational Service Center as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during fiscal year 2014?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Educational Service Center's net position and changes in that position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the Educational Service Center as a whole, the financial position of the Educational Service Center has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, all of the Educational Service Center's activities are reported as governmental including instruction and support services.

Reporting the Educational Service Center's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the Educational Service Center's major fund begins on page 8. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the Educational Service Center's major fund. The Educational Service Center uses many funds to account for a multiple of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the Educational Service Center's most significant funds. The Educational Service Center's major governmental fund is the General.

Governmental Funds Most of the Educational Service Center's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at fiscal year end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Educational Service Center's general governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

Fiduciary Funds The Educational Service Center's fiduciary funds are private purpose trust funds. All of the Educational Service Center's fiduciary activities are reported in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position. These activities are separate from the Educational Service Center's governmental and fund financial statements because the Educational Service Center cannot use these assets to finance its operations. Fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting.

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The Educational Service Center as a Whole

Recall that the Statement of Net Position provides the perspective of the Educational Service Center as a whole. Table I provides a summary of the Educational Service Center's net position for 2014 compared to 2013.

Table I
Net Position

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Change</u>
Assets			
Current and Other Assets	\$2,886,850	\$2,799,535	\$87,315
Capital Assets	<u>317,636</u>	<u>416,004</u>	<u>(98,368)</u>
Total Assets	<u>3,204,486</u>	<u>3,215,539</u>	<u>(11,053)</u>
Liabilities			
Long-Term Liabilities	375,765	393,154	(17,389)
Other Liabilities	<u>783,820</u>	<u>890,172</u>	<u>(106,352)</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,159,585</u>	<u>1,283,326</u>	<u>(123,741)</u>
Net Position			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	317,636	414,312	(96,676)
Restricted for Other Purposes	8,468	280,468	(272,000)
Restricted for Unclaimed Monies	2,178	29,298	(27,120)
Unrestricted	<u>1,716,619</u>	<u>1,208,135</u>	<u>508,484</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$2,044,901</u>	<u>\$1,932,213</u>	<u>\$112,688</u>

Total assets decreased \$11,053. Capital assets decreased \$98,368 as a result of the sale of a building. This decrease in capital assets is offset by an increase in cash of \$306,768. This increase is largely attributed to the sale of our administrative building in Marietta. Offsetting the increase in cash was a decrease in intergovernmental receivable of \$217,231. This decrease in intergovernmental receivable is due to the conclusion of a two year Teach Ohio Grant.

Total liabilities decreased \$123,741. A large portion of this decrease is attributed to a decrease in accrued wages payable \$80,932 as a result of reduced staffing.

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Table 2 shows the changes in net position for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014 and comparisons to fiscal year 2013.

Table 2
Changes in Net Position

	Governmental Activities		Change
	2014	2013	
Revenues			
Program Revenues			
Charges for Services	\$7,776,863	\$5,845,729	\$1,931,134
Operating Grants and Contributions	339,088	2,383,107	(2,044,019)
Total Program Revenues	<u>8,115,951</u>	<u>8,228,836</u>	<u>(112,885)</u>
General Revenues			
Grants and Entitlements	642,544	692,822	(50,278)
Investment Earnings	3,456	3,378	78
Gain on Sale of Capital Asset	227,682	0	227,682
Miscellaneous	2,625	20,401	(17,776)
Total General Revenues	<u>876,307</u>	<u>716,601</u>	<u>159,706</u>
Total Revenues	<u>8,992,258</u>	<u>8,945,437</u>	<u>46,821</u>
Program Expenses			
Instruction			
Regular	280,504	241,562	38,942
Special	2,379,148	2,410,011	(30,863)
Special - Intergovernmental	112,100	120,090	(7,990)
Adult/Continuing	52,796	45,444	7,352
Support Services			
Pupils	1,622,525	1,777,762	(155,237)
Instructional Staff	2,550,477	2,602,205	(51,728)
Board of Education	55,087	41,499	13,588
Administration	1,306,160	780,128	526,032
Fiscal	326,072	288,574	37,498
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	88,789	76,932	11,857
Pupil Transportation	11,685	13,112	(1,427)
Central	38,336	53,931	(15,595)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	0	2,614	(2,614)
Extracurricular Activities	55,865	51,649	4,216
Interest	26	564	(538)
Total Expenses	<u>8,879,570</u>	<u>8,506,077</u>	<u>373,493</u>
Change in Net Position	112,688	439,360	(326,672)
Net Position Beginning of Year	<u>1,932,213</u>	<u>1,492,853</u>	<u>439,360</u>
Net Position End of Year	<u>\$2,044,901</u>	<u>\$1,932,213</u>	<u>\$112,688</u>

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During fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center's net position increased \$112,688. During these times of economic difficulties, some districts have turned to the Educational Service Center as a means to save money through consortium services, leading to an increase in charges for services of \$1,931,134. However, part of the majority of the increase in charges for services is due to a change in the way preschool special education funding is distributed from the state. In previous years, it came directly to the Educational Service Center and was reported as program revenue - operating grants. During fiscal year 2014, the state began to distribute those monies directly to the districts and those monies are now being reported under charges for services. This change is the primary reason for the changes between charges for services and operating grants within the program revenues. Overall expenses of the Educational Service Center increased \$373,493. Overall, some services were reduced by districts this fiscal year, resulting in a decrease in expenses. This was offset by an increase in administrative expense. The increase in administrative services is directly related to a purchase of A+ software in the amount of \$474,710 on behalf of our districts that was in turn billed back to the districts. The balance of the increase of administrative expense was a result of hiring a Director of Special Education and a severance payment. The above clearly shows that the Educational Service Center relies heavily on revenues from services that it provides.

The Educational Service Center provides special instruction, pupil support and instructional support services to its member districts and, in some cases, districts outside its service area. Charges for services are modeled to cover the cost of all services plus an administrative fee. As economic conditions warrant, the Educational Service Center will adjust its expenditures and charges for services to maintain expenditures within its resources.

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services, grants, and contributions offsetting those services. Table 3 shows the total cost of services and the net cost of services. In other words, it identifies the cost of those services supported by unrestricted revenue.

Table 3 - Governmental Activities

	2014 <u>Total Cost of Services</u>	2014 <u>Net Cost of Services</u>	2013 <u>Total Cost of Services</u>	2013 <u>Net Cost of Services</u>
Program Expenses				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$280,504	(\$86,446)	\$241,562	(\$39,043)
Special	2,379,148	(690,363)	2,410,011	(72,605)
Special - Intergovernmental	112,100	743	120,090	(2,127)
Adult/Continuing	52,796	34,918	45,444	20,905
Support Services:				
Pupil	1,622,525	156,906	1,777,762	178,887
Instructional Staff	2,550,477	648,208	2,602,205	540,293
Board of Education	55,087	41,359	41,499	19,974
Administration	1,306,160	444,444	780,128	(502,078)
Fiscal	326,072	98,207	288,574	28,161
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	88,789	57,822	76,932	38,187
Pupil Transportation	11,685	6,577	13,112	5,793
Central	38,336	17,062	53,931	37,494
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	0	0	2,614	892
Extracurricular Activities	55,865	34,156	51,649	21,944
Interest and Fiscal Charges	26	26	564	564
Totals	<u>\$8,879,570</u>	<u>\$763,619</u>	<u>\$8,506,077</u>	<u>\$277,241</u>

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Instruction programs comprise approximately 32 percent of total governmental program expenses, support services comprise approximately 68 percent of total governmental program expenses, and extracurricular activities and interest expenses combined comprise less than 1 percent of total governmental program expenses. Of the instruction expenses, approximately 88 percent is for special instruction. Of the support services expenses, approximately 27 percent is for pupils and 43 percent for instructional staff.

The Educational Service Center's Major Fund

The Education Service Center has one major fund: the General Fund. The Educational Service Center's major fund is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

The General Fund had total revenues of \$8,382,039, expenditures of \$8,262,852 and other financing source of \$300,000. The General Fund had an increase in assets of \$356,114, which was mainly due to an increase in cash due to sale of an administrative building in Marietta. In addition, liabilities decreased \$109,741. This was attributable mainly to a decrease in accrued wages and benefits of \$79,624. The General Fund had an increase in fund balance in the amount of \$419,187.

Budgeting Highlights

Under Ohio law, Educational Service Centers are no longer required to prepare a budget. Therefore, at June 30, 2014, a budgetary statement is not presented within the basic financial statements because the Board did not approve estimated revenues or adopt appropriations.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center had \$317,636 invested in land, buildings, improvements, machinery, equipment, furniture and fixtures. Table 4 shows fiscal year 2014 balances compared to 2013.

Table 4
Capital Assets
(Net of Depreciation)

	Governmental Activities	
	2014	2013
Land	\$55,434	\$100,344
Land Improvements	\$0	\$1,645
Buildings	244,613	297,353
Machinery, Equipment Furniture, and Fixtures	17,589	16,662
Totals	<u>\$317,636</u>	<u>\$416,004</u>

See Note 9 for more information on Capital Assets.

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Debt

At June 30, 2014, the Educational Service Center had no debt outstanding.

Table 5
Outstanding Debt at Fiscal Year End

	Governmental Activities	
	2014	2013
Capital Leases	\$0	\$1,692
	\$0	\$1,692

Economic Factors

As the preceding information shows, the Educational Service Center relies heavily on the contracts for services it provides to its local, city, and exempted village school districts. The majority of these services are special education in nature. The services these children are to be provided are mandated by Individual Education Plans (IEPs). The districts are required, by law, to serve these children. The school districts may provide the services through their own personnel, or contract out to have it provided. Many of the served districts rely solely on the Educational Service Center to provide these services. Special education service charges are based upon the actual cost of the service divided by the number of students who will benefit from the service. The financial positions of the school districts and their willingness to continue to contract for special education services with the Educational Service Center will continue to have an impact on the increase or decrease in revenues of the Educational Service Center.

Other significant revenue sources for the Educational Service Center are state foundation payments and grants. Existing contracts with the Educational Service Center's districts, as well as the Educational Service Center's cash balance, will provide the Educational Service Center with the necessary funds to operate during fiscal year 2015. However, potential changes in the funding of educational service centers presents certain challenges and uncertainties for the future. The Board of Education and Administration of the Educational Service Center must maintain careful planning and prudent fiscal management in order to maintain the financial stability of the Educational Service Center.

Contacting the Educational Service Center's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, districts, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Educational Service Center's finances and to show the Educational Service Center's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Megan Atkinson, Treasurer at the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, 128 East 8th Street, Cambridge, Ohio 43725. You may also E-mail the Treasurer at megan.atkinson@omeresanet.net.

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Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2014

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$2,658,412
Accounts Receivable	18,878
Intergovernmental Receivable	202,194
Prepays	7,366
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	55,434
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	<u>262,202</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>3,204,486</u>
 Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	24,933
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	604,367
Intergovernmental Payable	141,077
Matured Compensated Absences Payable	13,443
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	115,150
Due in More Than One Year	<u>260,615</u>
 Total Liabilities	 <u>1,159,585</u>
 Net Position	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	317,636
Restricted for Other Purposes	8,468
Restricted for Unclaimed Monies	2,178
Unrestricted	<u>1,716,619</u>
 Total Net Position	 <u><u>\$2,044,901</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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Statement of Activities

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net Revenue (Expense) and Change in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$280,504	\$304,514	\$62,436	\$86,446
Special	2,379,148	3,006,064	63,447	690,363
Special - Intergovernmental	112,100	0	111,357	(743)
Adult/Continuing	52,796	17,878	0	(34,918)
Support Services:				
Pupils	1,622,525	1,463,369	2,250	(156,906)
Instructional Staff	2,550,477	1,821,393	80,876	(648,208)
Board of Education	55,087	13,728	0	(41,359)
Administration	1,306,160	844,794	16,922	(444,444)
Fiscal	326,072	227,865	0	(98,207)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	88,789	30,967	0	(57,822)
Pupil Transportation	11,685	5,108	0	(6,577)
Central	38,336	19,474	1,800	(17,062)
Extracurricular Activities	55,865	21,709	0	(34,156)
Interest	26	0	0	(26)
Total Governmental Activities	\$8,879,570	\$7,776,863	\$339,088	(763,619)
General Revenues				
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to				
				642,544
				3,456
				227,682
				2,625
				<u>876,307</u>
				112,688
				<u>1,932,213</u>
				<u>\$2,044,901</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Ohio

Balance Sheet

Governmental Funds

June 30, 2014

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets			
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$2,655,165	\$1,069	\$2,656,234
Accounts Receivable	18,878	0	18,878
Interfund Receivable	79,595	0	79,595
Intergovernmental Receivable	83,040	119,154	202,194
Prepaid Items	6,398	968	7,366
Restricted Assets:			
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,178	0	2,178
Total Assets	<u>\$2,845,254</u>	<u>\$121,191</u>	<u>\$2,966,445</u>
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$15,242	\$9,691	\$24,933
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	585,185	19,182	604,367
Interfund Payable	0	79,595	79,595
Intergovernmental Payable	136,634	4,443	141,077
Matured Compensated Absences Payable	13,443	0	13,443
Total Liabilities	<u>750,504</u>	<u>112,911</u>	<u>863,415</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Unavailable Revenue	<u>51,219</u>	<u>5,033</u>	<u>56,252</u>
Fund Balances			
Nonspendable	8,576	968	9,544
Restricted	0	5,550	5,550
Assigned	65,274	0	65,274
Unassigned	1,969,681	(3,271)	1,966,410
Total Fund Balances	<u>2,043,531</u>	<u>3,247</u>	<u>2,046,778</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	<u>\$2,845,254</u>	<u>\$121,191</u>	<u>\$2,966,445</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Ohio
*Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to
Net Position of Governmental Activities
June 30, 2014*

Total Governmental Fund Balances \$2,046,778

*Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of
net position are different because:*

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources
and therefore are not reported in the funds. 317,636

Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period
expenditures and therefore are reported as deferred inflows of resources -
unavailable revenue in the funds:

Grants	5,033	
Reimbursements	3,640	
Contract Services	<u>47,579</u>	56,252

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and
therefore are not reported in the funds:

Compensated Absences Payable	<u>(375,765)</u>
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Net Position of Governmental Activities \$2,044,901

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Ohio
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues			
Intergovernmental	\$642,844	\$608,996	\$1,251,840
Interest	3,456	0	3,456
Tuition and Fees	1,720,658	0	1,720,658
Rent	7,150	0	7,150
Gifts and Donations	0	300	300
Contract Services	6,005,308	0	6,005,308
Miscellaneous	2,623	2	2,625
Total Revenues	8,382,039	609,298	8,991,337
Expenditures			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	208,983	59,598	268,581
Special	2,299,283	91,469	2,390,752
Adult/Continuing	60,407	0	60,407
Support Services:			
Pupils	1,639,569	41,248	1,680,817
Instructional Staff	2,183,589	375,860	2,559,449
Board of Education	46,527	0	46,527
Administration	1,305,605	41,003	1,346,608
Fiscal	324,296	0	324,296
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	88,789	0	88,789
Pupil Transportation	11,685	0	11,685
Central	36,536	1,800	38,336
Extracurricular Activities	55,865	0	55,865
Debt Service:			
Principal	1,692	0	1,692
Interest	26	0	26
Total Expenditures	8,262,852	610,978	8,873,830
Other Financing Source			
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	300,000	0	300,000
Total Other Financing Source	300,000	0	300,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	419,187	(1,680)	417,507
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	1,624,344	4,927	1,629,271
Fund Balances End of Year	\$2,043,531	\$3,247	\$2,046,778

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Ohio
Reconciliation of the Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds \$417,507

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.

This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlays:

Capital Asset Additions	9,575	
Depreciation Expense	<u>(35,625)</u>	(26,050)

Governmental funds only report the disposal of assets to the extent proceeds are received from the sale. In the statement of activities, a gain or loss is reported for each disposal.

Proceeds From the Sale of Capital Assets	(300,000)	
Gain on Sale of Capital Assets	<u>227,682</u>	(72,318)

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds:

Contract Services	46,445	
Intergovernmental	(270,508)	
Tuition	(2,698)	
Reimbursements	<u>2,921</u>	(223,840)

Repayment of capital leases is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.

1,692

Expenses from compensated absences reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

15,697

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities

\$112,688

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities

Fiduciary Funds

June 30, 2014

	Private Purpose Trust
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$261,367</u>
Liabilities	
Scholarships Payable	<u>2,424</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>2,424</u>
Net Assets	
Held in Trust for Scholarships	<u><u>\$258,943</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

Fiduciary Fund

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Private Purpose Trust
Additions	
Interest	\$3,419
Miscellaneous	147
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Total Additions	3,566
Deductions	
Scholarships Awarded	3,071
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Change in Net Position	495
Net Position Beginning of Year	258,448
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Net Position End of Year	\$258,943
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER AND REPORTING ENTITY

The Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Guernsey County, (the “Educational Service Center”) is a body politic and corporate established for the purpose of exercising the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Educational Service Center is a combined educational service center as defined by Section 3311.053 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Educational Service Center provides supervisory, special education, administrative, and other services to the Belpre City, Caldwell Exempted Village, Cambridge City, East Guernsey Local, Fort Frye Local, Frontier Local, Marietta City, Noble Local, Rolling Hills Local, Switzerland of Ohio Local, Wolf Creek Local, and Warren Local School Districts. The Educational Service Center furnishes leadership and consulting services designed to strengthen the school districts in areas they are unable to finance or staff independently.

The Educational Service Center operates under a locally-elected Board form of government consisting of eleven elected members. Members are elected to staggered four year terms. The Educational Service Center has 99 certificated and 115 non-certificated employees that provide services to the school districts.

Reporting Entity

A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure that the financial statements are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the Educational Service Center. For the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, this includes general operations and student related activities.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Educational Service Center is financially accountable. The Educational Service Center is financially accountable for an organization if the Educational Service Center appoints a voting majority of the organization’s governing board and (1) the Educational Service Center is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Educational Service Center is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization’s resources; the Educational Service Center is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the Educational Service Center is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Educational Service Center in that the Educational Service Center approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes. No separate governmental units meet the criteria for inclusion as a component unit.

The Educational Service Center is associated with the Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency (OME-RESA), the Coalition of Rural and Appalachian Schools (CORAS), and the Ohio Coalition of Equity and Adequacy of School Funding which are defined as jointly governed organizations; and the Ohio SchoolComp: A Program of OSBA and OASBO Worker’s Compensation Group Rating Plan, and the Ohio School Plan (OSP), which are defined as group insurance purchasing pools. Additional information concerning these organizations is presented in Notes 15 and 16 to the basic financial statements.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

A. Basis of Presentation

The Educational Service Center's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Educational Service Center as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The activity of the internal service fund is eliminated to avoid "doubling up" revenues and expenses. The statements usually distinguish between those activities of the Educational Service Center that are governmental in nature and those that are considered business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services. The Educational Service Center does not have any business-type funds.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the Educational Service Center at fiscal year end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the Educational Service Center's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, grants, contributions, and interest that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the Educational Service Center. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the Educational Service Center.

Fund Financial Statements

During the fiscal year, the Educational Service Center segregates transactions related to certain Educational Service Center functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Educational Service Center at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

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B. Fund Accounting

The Educational Service Center uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Educational Service Center fall within two categories: governmental and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Educational Service Center are financed. Governmental funds focus on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. The General is the Educational Service Center's major fund.

General Fund - The General Fund is the operating fund of the Educational Service Center and is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund balance is available to the ESC for any purpose, provided it is expenses and transferred according to the general laws of Ohio

The other governmental funds of the Educational Service Center account for grants and other resources of the Educational Service Center whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds, and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the Educational Service Center under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the Educational Service Center's own programs. The Educational Service Center's private purpose trust fund accounts for a college scholarship program.

C. Measurement Focus

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and liabilities associated with the operation of the Educational Service Center are included on the statement of net position. The statement of activities presents increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in total net position.

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Fund Financial Statements

All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

The private purpose trust fund is accounted for using a flow of economic resources measurement focus.

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary and fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and the modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred inflow of resources, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

Revenues - Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions

Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined, and "available" means that the resources are collectible within the current fiscal year, or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the Educational Service Center, available means expected to be received within sixty days of fiscal year end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the Educational Service Center receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, entitlements, and donations. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the Educational Service Center must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Educational Service Center on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, grants and contract services are considered to be both measurable and available at year end.

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Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. For the Educational Service Center, there are no deferred outflows of resources.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. For the Educational Service Center, deferred inflows of resources include unavailable revenue. Unavailable revenue is reported only on the governmental funds balance sheet, and represents receivables which will not be collected within the available period. For the Educational Service Center, unavailable revenue includes intergovernmental grants and various charges for services. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amounts become available.

Expenses/Expenditures

On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in the governmental funds.

E. Budgetary Data

No budgetary information is presented because the Board did not approve estimated revenues or adopt appropriations. Under Ohio law, Educational Service Centers are no longer required to prepare a budget.

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, cash received by the Educational Service Center is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Educational Service Center's records. Interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents" on the financial statements.

At fiscal year-end 2014, the Educational Service Center had no investments.

Following Ohio statutes, the Governing Board has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2014 amounted to \$3,456, which includes \$315 assigned from other Educational Service Center funds.

G. Receivables and Payables

Receivables and payables on the Educational Service Center's financial statements are recorded to the extent that the amounts are determined material and substantiated not only by supporting documentation, but also by a reasonable, systematic method of determining their existence, completeness, valuation, and in the case of receivables, collectability.

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H. Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2014, are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of purchase and an expenditure/expense is recorded in the year in which services are consumed.

I. Capital Assets

All of the Educational Service Center’s capital assets are general capital assets resulting from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net assets but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. The Educational Service Center was able to estimate the historical cost for the initial reporting of capital assets by backtrending (i.e., estimating the current replacement cost of the assets to be capitalized and using an appropriate price-index to deflate the costs to the acquisition year or estimated acquisition year.) Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Educational Service Center maintains a capitalization threshold of five thousand dollars. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset’s life are not.

All reported capital assets except land are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Estimated Lives</u>
Buildings and Improvements	10-40 Years
Machinery, Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures	5-30 Years

J. Compensated Absences

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees’ rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the Educational Service Center will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The Educational Service Center records a liability for accumulated unused vacation time when earned for all eligible employees.

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 Educational Service Center 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 Educational Service Center’s termination policy. The Educational Service Center records a liability for accumulated unused sick leave for all employees after ten years of qualifying service credit.

On the governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are recognized as liabilities and expenditures to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. These amounts are recorded in the account “matured compensated absences payable” in the funds from which these payments will be paid.

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K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements.

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources, are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments and compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment in the current year. Capital leases are recognized as a liability on the governmental fund financial statements when due.

L. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Educational Service Center is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable: The nonspendable fund category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The “not in spendable form” includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans and notes receivable, as well as property acquired for resale, unless the use of the proceeds from the collection of those receivables or from the sale of those properties is restricted, committed, or assigned.

Restricted: The restricted fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers. Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of the resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation (Educational Service Center Board of Education resolutions).

Enabling legislation authorizes the Educational Service Center to assess, charge, or otherwise mandate payment of resources (from external resources providers) and includes a legally enforceable requirement that those resources be used only for the specific purposes stipulated in the legislation. Legal enforceability means that the Educational Service Center can be compelled by an external party such as citizens, public interest groups, or the judiciary to use resources created by enabling legislation only for the purposes specified by the legislation.

Committed: The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action (resolution) of the Board of Education. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Education removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balances also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for the use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

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Assigned: Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Educational Service Center for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. These amounts are assigned by the Educational Service Center Board of Education. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the Educational Service Center Board of Education or by State statute. State statute authorizes the Educational Service Center's Treasurer to assign fund balance for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated.

Unassigned: The unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report deficit balances.

The Educational Service Center applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first, followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which the amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

M. Net Position

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

Net position restricted for other purposes include local, state and federal grants restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

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

N. Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted assets when limitations on their use change the normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either eternally imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

O. Interfund Balances/Interfund Activity

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables". These amounts are eliminated on the statement of net position. Internal allocations of overhead expenses from one program to another or within the same program are eliminated on the statement of activities. Payments for interfund goods and services provided and used are not eliminated on the government wide financial statements.

Transfers among governmental activities are eliminated on the statement of activities.

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Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

P. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary fund. For the Educational Service Center, these revenues are charges for services for the self-insurance program. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the goods or services that are the primary activities of the fund. Revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating.

Q. 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 those estimates.

R. Flow-Through Grants

The Educational Service Center is the primary recipient of grants which are passed through or spent on behalf of the local, exempted village, and city school districts. When the Educational Service Center has a financial or administrative role in the grants, the grants are reported as revenues and intergovernmental expenditures/expenses. For fiscal year 2014, this included the Early Childhood Special Education Grant Special Revenue Fund.

NOTE 3 – FUND BALANCES

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the Educational Service Center is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds. The constraints placed on the fund balance for the General Fund and all other governmental funds are presented as follows:

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Fund Balances	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total
Nonspendable:			
Prepays	\$6,398	\$968	\$7,366
Unclaimed Monies	<u>2,178</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,178</u>
Total Nonspendable	<u>8,576</u>	<u>968</u>	<u>9,544</u>
Restricted for:			
Misc Local Funds Expenditures	0	1,069	1,069
State Grant Funds Expenditures	0	4,416	4,416
Federal Grant Funds Expenditures	<u>0</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>65</u>
Total Restricted	<u>0</u>	<u>5,550</u>	<u>5,550</u>
Assigned to:			
Other Purposes	<u>65,274</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>65,274</u>
Total Assigned	<u>65,274</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>65,274</u>
Unassigned:	<u>1,969,681</u>	<u>(3,271)</u>	<u>1,966,410</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$2,043,531</u>	<u>\$3,247</u>	<u>\$2,046,778</u>

NOTE 4 – ACCOUNTABILITY

The Miscellaneous State Grants, Homeless Grant and Miscellaneous Federal Grants Special Revenue Funds had deficit balances in the amount of \$2,962, \$108 and \$80, respectfully, at June 30, 2014. The deficit was the result of the application of generally accepted accounting principles. The General Fund provides transfers to cover deficit balances; however, this is done when cash is needed rather than when accruals occur.

NOTE 5 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Monies held by the Educational Service Center are classified by State statute into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the Educational Service Center treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the Educational Service Center treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board of Education has identified as not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

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Interim monies held by the Educational Service Center can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States treasury notes, bills, bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations describe in division (1) or (2) above;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio); and,
8. Commercial paper and bankers acceptances if training requirements have been met.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions.

Deposits Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Educational Service Center will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. At year end, \$2,924,402 of the Educational Service Center's bank balance of \$3,174,402 was uninsured and uncollateralized. Although all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, non-compliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the Educational Service Center to a successful claim by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The Educational Service Center has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the Educational Service Center or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured.

Investments As of June 30, 2014, the Educational Service Center had no investments.

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NOTE 6 - STATE AND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDING

The Educational Service Center, under state law, provides supervisory services to school districts within its territory. Each local, city, and exempted village school district that entered into an agreement with the Educational Service Center is considered to be provided supervisory services. The cost of the supervisory services is determined by formula under State law. The State Department of Education apportions the costs for all supervisory services among the Educational Service Center's local, city, and exempted village school districts based on each school's total student count.

The Department of Education deducts each school district's amount from their State Foundation Program settlements and remits the amount to the Educational Service Center. The Educational Service Center may provide additional supervisory services if the majority of the local and client school districts agree to the services and the apportionment of the costs to all of the local and client school districts.

The Educational Service Center also receives funding from the State Department of Education. This amount is based on a per pupil amount of \$37 applied to the number of students from the previous fiscal year. The payment is based on 81.74% of the calculated amount to stay within state appropriations. Average daily membership includes the total student counts of all local school districts within the Educational Service Center's territory and all of the Educational Service Center's client school districts. This amount is paid from State resources.

The Educational Service Center may contract with city, exempted village, local, joint vocational, or cooperative education school districts to provide special education and related services or career-technical education services. The individual boards of education pay the costs for these services directly to the Educational Service Center.

NOTE 7 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2014, consisted of contract services, grants, tuition and refunds. All receivables are considered collectible in full and will be received within one year. A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables follows:

	<u>Amount</u>
Governmental Activities:	
Early Childhood Expansion Grant	\$17,917
Alternative Education Challenge Grant	15,686
Parent Mentor Grant	13,001
Teach Ohio Grant	44,533
Homeless Grant	9,637
Early Childhood Special Education Grant	18,380
Contract Services	83,040
Total Intergovernmental Receivable	<u><u>\$202,194</u></u>

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NOTE 8 – INTERFUND ACTIVITY

Interfund balances at June 30, 2014, consist of the following individual fund receivables and payables:

	<u>Interfund Receivable</u>	<u>Interfund Payable</u>
Major Funds:		
General Fund	\$79,595	\$0
Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds:		
Total Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	<u>0</u>	<u>79,595</u>
Total All Funds	<u><u>\$79,595</u></u>	<u><u>\$79,595</u></u>

These interfund balances were the result of negative cash advances made in accordance with the application of generally accepted accounting principles.

NOTE 9 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, was as follows:

	<u>Balance June 30, 2013</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2014</u>
Nondepreciable Capital Assets				
Land	<u>\$100,344</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$44,910)</u>	<u>\$55,434</u>
Total Nondepreciable Assets	<u>100,344</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(44,910)</u>	<u>55,434</u>
Depreciable Capital Assets				
Land Improvements	15,115	0	(15,115)	0
Buildings	995,952	0	(682,442)	313,510
Machinery, Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures	<u>68,575</u>	<u>9,575</u>	<u>(45,416)</u>	<u>32,734</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	<u>1,079,642</u>	<u>9,575</u>	<u>(742,973)</u>	<u>346,244</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Land Improvements	(13,470)	(252)	13,722	0
Buildings	(698,599)	(30,083)	659,785	(68,897)
Machinery, Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures	<u>(51,913)</u>	<u>(5,290)</u>	<u>42,058</u>	<u>(15,145)</u>
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(763,982)</u>	<u>(35,625) *</u>	<u>715,565</u>	<u>(84,042)</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	<u>315,660</u>	<u>(26,050)</u>	<u>(27,408)</u>	<u>262,202</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u><u>\$416,004</u></u>	<u><u>(\$26,050)</u></u>	<u><u>(\$72,318)</u></u>	<u><u>\$317,636</u></u>

* Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

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Instruction:	
Regular	\$3,771
Special	5,494
Adult/Continuing	591
Support Services:	
Pupils	2,848
Instructional Staff	4,809
Board of Education	8,560
Administration	7,218
Fiscal	2,334
Total Governmental Depreciation	<u>\$35,625</u>

NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Insurance

The Educational Service Center is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center joined together with other school districts in Ohio to participate in the Ohio School Plan (OSP), a public entity insurance purchasing pool. Each individual school district enters into an agreement with the OSP and its premium is based on types of coverage, limits of coverage, and deductibles that it selects. The Educational Service Center pays this annual premium to the OSP. (See Note 16)

During fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center purchased the following coverage:

Ohio School Plan

Fleet Insurance:	
Liability (any one accident)	\$1,000,000
Educational General Liability:	
General Aggregate Limit	3,000,000
Employee Benefits Liability:	
Aggregate Limit (\$2,500 deductible)	3,000,000
Employers' Liability:	
Bodily Injury (any one accident)	1,000,000
Educational Legal Liability:	
Errors and Omissions Aggregate Limit (\$2,500 deductible)	3,000,000
Employment Practices Injury Aggregate Limit (\$2,500 deductible)	3,000,000
Declaratory, Equitable, and Injunctive Relief	
Defense Aggregate (\$2,500 deductible)	100,000
Violence Coverage:	
Plan Aggregate Limit	1,000,000
Building	2,159,993

Settled claims have not exceeded their commercial coverage in any of the past three years.

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B. Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

For fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center participated in the Ohio SchoolComp: A Program of OSBA and OABSO Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 16). The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the Educational Service Center by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of CompManagement, Inc. provides administrative, cost control, and actuarial services to the GRP.

NOTE 11 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A. Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave benefits are derived from board policies and State laws. Eligible classified employees earn twelve to twenty days of vacation per year, depending upon length of service. Administrators earn twenty days of vacation per year. Teachers do not earn vacation time. The liability for vacation benefits is recorded as long-term liabilities.

Teachers, administrators, and classified employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. All employees can accumulate sick leave days up to a maximum of 240 days. Upon retirement, payment is made for twenty-five percent of the employees' accumulated sick leave with a maximum payment being limited to 45 days.

B. Other Employee Benefits

The Educational Service Center provides term life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance through Anthem in the amount of \$30,000 for all of its full time employees.

C. Medical/Surgical, Dental, Vision, and Prescription Drug Insurances

Medical, dental, vision, and prescription drug insurance is offered through Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield and is fully insured. The Educational Service Center pays for 80 percent of single, family, employee plus spouse or employee plus child coverage premiums for this insurance.

NOTE 12 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

A. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The Educational Service Center contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer 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 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 may be obtained by visiting the SERS website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/ Audit Resources.

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Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Educational Service Center is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, the allocation to pension and death benefits was 13.10 percent. The remaining 0.90 percent of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is allocated to the Medicare B and Health Care funds. The Educational Service Center's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$195,914, \$220,285 and \$207,011, respectively; 89.99 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2014 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2013 and 2012.

B. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description – The Educational Service Center participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that can be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Ohio Web site at www.strsoh.org.

New members have a choice of three retirement plans; a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on a member's lifetime contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal. The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The DB portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60; the DC portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of 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. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

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Funding Policy - Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon the recommendation of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 11 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. The statutory maximum employee contribution rate was increased one percent July 1, 2013, and will be increased one percent each year until it reaches 14 percent on July 1, 2016. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, plan members were required to contribute 11 percent of their annual covered salary. The Educational Service Center was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations.

The Educational Service Center's required contributions to STRS Ohio for the DB Plan and for the defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan were \$496,826 and \$8,383 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, \$527,721 and \$3,656 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 and \$499,376 and \$3,640 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012. For fiscal year 2014, 90.10 percent has been contributed for the DB plan and 90.10 percent has been contributed for the Combined Plan, with the balance being reported as an intergovernmental payable. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2013 and 2012.

Contributions made to STRS Ohio for the DC Plan and for fiscal year 2014 were \$342 made by the School District and \$269 made by the plan members. In addition, member contributions of \$6,586 were made for fiscal year 2014 for the defined contribution portion of the Combined Plan.

C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the School Employees Retirement System. As of June 30, 2014, the two board members of the Educational Service Center elected Social Security. The contribution rate is 6.2 percent of wages.

NOTE 13 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. School Employee Retirement System

Plan Description – The Educational Service Center participates in two cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries, a Health Care Plan and a Medicare Part B Plan. The Health Care Plan includes hospitalization and physicians' fees through several types of plans including HMO's, PPO's and traditional indemnity plans as well as a prescription drug program. The Medicare Part B Plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries up to a statutory limit. Benefit provisions and the obligation to contribute are established by SERS based on authority granted by State statute. The financial reports of both Plans are included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). For fiscal year 2014, 0.14 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined amount; for fiscal year 2014, this amount was \$20,250. During fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center paid \$25,839 in surcharge.

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Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Retirees and their beneficiaries are required to pay a health care premium that varies depending on the plan selected, the number of qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility and retirement status.

The Educational Service Center’s contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$4,026, \$6,272 and \$6,794, respectively; 45.91 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2014 with the balance being reported as an intergovernmental payable. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2013 and 2012.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For 2014, this actuarially required allocation was 0.76 percent of covered payroll. The Educational Service Center’s contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012, were \$11,384, \$12,396 and \$12,116, respectively; 90.00 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2014 with the balance reported as an intergovernmental payable. The full amount has been contribute for fiscal years 2013 and 2012.

B. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description – The Educational Service Center participates in the cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit Health Plan administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS Ohio. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians’ fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS Ohio which can be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy – Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For fiscal year 2014, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to post-employment health care. The Educational Service Center’s contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$38,889, \$40,833 and \$38,750, respectively; 90.10 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2014, with the balance being reported as an intergovernmental receivable. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2013 and 2012.

NOTE 14 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The changes in the Educational Service Center’s long-term obligations during the fiscal year 2014 were as follows:

	Outstanding 06/30/13	Additions	Deductions	Outstanding 06/30/14	Amount Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities					
Capital Leases Payable	\$1,692	\$0	\$1,692	\$0	\$0
Compensated Absences	391,462	170,247	185,944	375,765	115,150
Total Governmental Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$393,154</u>	<u>\$170,247</u>	<u>\$187,636</u>	<u>\$375,765</u>	<u>\$115,150</u>

Capital leases and compensated absences will be paid from the General Fund.

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NOTE 15 - JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

A. Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency (OME-RESA)

OME-RESA is a governmental joint venture among eleven counties. The counties OME-RESA serves are: Belmont, Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Jefferson, Muskingum, Noble, Monroe and Tuscarawas. Each of these governments supports OME-RESA and shares in a percentage of the equity based on the resources provided. OME-RESA is governed by a board of directors consisting of the superintendents of the member school districts. The degree of control exercised by a participating district is limited to its representation on the Board. The continued existence of OME-RESA is not dependent on the Educational Service Center's continued participation and no equity interest exists. The Educational Service Center's payment for computer services to OME-RESA in fiscal year 2014 was \$11,432. To obtain financial information write to the Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency, Treasurer, at 2230 Sunset Blvd. Suite 2, Steubenville, Ohio 43952.

B. Coalition of Rural and Appalachian Schools (CORAS)

The Coalition of Rural and Appalachian Schools is a jointly governed organization composed of over 136 school districts and other educational institutions in the 35-county region of Ohio designated as Appalachia. The Coalition is operated by a Board which is composed of seventeen members. One elected and one appointed from each of the seven regions into which the 35 Appalachian counties are divided; and three from Ohio University College of Education. The Council provides various in-service training programs for school district administrative personnel; gathers data regarding the level of education provided to children in the region; cooperates with other professional groups to assess and develop programs designed to meet the needs of member districts; and provides staff development programs Educational Service Center personnel. The Council is not dependent on the continued participation of the Educational Service Center and the Educational Service Center does not maintain an equity interest in or financial responsibility for the Council. The School District's membership fee was \$325 for fiscal year 2014. The financial information for the Coalition can be obtained from the Executive Director, at McCracken Hall, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio 45701.

C. Ohio Coalition of Equity and Adequacy of School Funding

The Ohio Coalition of Equity and Adequacy of School Funding is organized as a regional council of governments established in January 1991. The purpose of the Coalition is to bring about greater equity and adequacy of public school funding in Ohio. The Coalition is governed by a Steering Committee consisting of representative from the membership group. The steering committee consists of not more than 78 representatives, who are Superintendents of Board of Education that are Coalition members, plus an additional 12 representatives may be appointed by the Chairperson. The continued existence of the Coalition is not dependent on the Educational Service Center's continued participation and no equity interest exists. During fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center paid \$882 to the Coalition. Financial information can be obtained by contacting the Coalition's fiscal agent, Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center, 205 North Seventh Street, Zanesville, Ohio 43701-3709.

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NOTE 16 - INSURANCE PURCHASING POOLS

A. Ohio SchoolComp: A Program of OSBA and OASBO Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP)

The Educational Service Center participates in the Ohio SchoolComp: A Program of OSBA & OASBO Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three member Board of directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the program. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program. The Educational Service Center's enrollment fee for fiscal year 2014 was \$780.

B. Ohio School Plan (OSP)

The Educational Service Center participates in the Ohio School Plan (OSP), an insurance purchasing pool. The Ohio School Plan (OSP) is created and organized pursuant to and as authorized by Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code. The OSP is an unincorporated, non-profit association of its members and an instrumentality for each member for the purpose of enabling members of the Plan to provide for a formalized, joint insurance purchasing program to maintain adequate insurance protection, risk management programs and other administrative services. The OSP's business and affairs are conducted by a fifteen member Board of directors consisting of school district superintendents and treasurers, as well as the president of Harcum-Hyre Insurance Agency, Inc. and a partner of the Hylant Group, Inc. Hylant Group, Inc. is the Administrator of the OSP and is responsible for processing claims. Harcum-Hyre Insurance Agency, Inc. is the sales and marketing representative, which establishes agreements between OSP and member schools.

NOTE 17 - CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The Educational Service Center received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the general fund or other applicable funds. This also encompasses the Auditor of State's ongoing review of student attendance data. However, the effect of any such disallowed claims on the overall financial position of the Educational Service Center at June 30, 2014, if applicable, cannot be determined at this time.

B. Litigation

The Educational Service Center is currently not party to any litigation.

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NOTE 18 – SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS

Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilitate effective cash planning and control. At year end, the amount of encumbrances expected to be honored upon performance by the vendor in the next fiscal year were as follows:

Governmental Funds:	
General Fund	<u>\$ 31</u>

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

Ohio Valley Educational Service Center
Guernsey County
128 East 8th Street
Cambridge, Ohio 43725

To the Governing Board:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Guernsey County, Ohio (the Educational Service Center), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Educational Service Center's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 9, 2016.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Educational Service Center's financial statements. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Yost". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "D" and "Y".

Dave Yost
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

May 9, 2016



Dave Yost • Auditor of State

OHIO VALLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER

GUERNSEY 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
JUNE 2, 2016