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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Clark County Educational Service Center Clark County 25 West Pleasant Street Springfield, Ohio 45506

To the Board of Education:

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 Clark County Educational Service Center, Clark County, Ohio (the Center), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the 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 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 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.

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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 Clark County Educational Service Center, Clark County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2014 and 2013, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 18 to the 2013 financial statements, during the year ended June 30, 2013, the Center adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standard No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position* and No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

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.

Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted to opine on the Center's basic financial statements taken as a whole.

The Schedules of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget (Non-GAAP) and Actual – General Fund present additional analysis and are not required parts of the basic financial statements.

The schedules are management's responsibility, and derive from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. We subjected these schedules to the auditing procedures we applied to the basic financial statements. We also applied certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling the schedules directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, these schedules are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 5, 2015, on our consideration of the 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 Center's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Dave Yost Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

May 5, 2015

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Clark County, Ohio

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

The discussion and analysis of the Clark County Educational Service Center's 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 notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Educational Service Center's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2014 are as follows:

Overall:

- Total net position increased \$353,444 which represents a 23.4 percent increase from the net position reported at June 30, 2013.
- Total assets of governmental activities increased \$677,481 primarily due to the increase in intergovernmental receivables reported at June 30, 2014 compared with that reported for the prior year. This is mainly due to the timing of the grants and charges for services billed prior to year end and received thereafter.
- Program revenues, in the form of charges for services and operating grants and contributions, accounted for \$6.1 million or 83.2 percent of total revenue. General revenue sources, primarily state foundation payments, accounted for the remaining \$1,242,797 of revenue received by the Educational Service Center.
- Of the Educational Service Center's \$7.0 million in expenses, \$6.1 million were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues (primarily entitlements and interest) were used to cover the net expense of approximately \$889,353.
- The General Fund, the Educational Service Center's operating fund, had an ending fund balance of \$1.6 million or a \$356,440 increase from fiscal year 2013. The amount reported as restricted for specific purposes decreased by \$209,430 from the amount reported one year prior due to a decrease in the amount of funding held at year-end related to miscellaneous state mandated services.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand Clark County 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.

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The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole Educational Service Center, presenting both an aggregated view of the Educational Service Center's finances and a longer-term view of those statements. 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. The Educational Service Center reports one major governmental fund, the General Fund.

Reporting the Educational Service Center as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

While this document contains a large number of funds used by the Educational Service Center to provide programs and activities, 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 answers 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. The change in net position is important because allows the reader to determine if the financial position of the Educational Service Center, as a whole, has either improved or diminished during the current fiscal year. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the Educational Service Center's state funding, office space issues, and legislative decisions related to service delivery as well as organization of county service centers in the future.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the Educational Service Center reports governmental activities. Governmental activities are the activities where all of the Educational Service Center's programs and services are including, but not limited to, instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant and pupil transportation. The Educational Service Center does not have any business-type activities.

Reporting the Educational Service Center's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the Educational Service Center's major funds begins after the Statement of Activities. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the General Fund. The Educational Service Center uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the Educational Service Center's most significant funds, and therefore only the major fund is presented separate from the other governmental funds.

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Governmental Funds

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 year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual, 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 government 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.

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 1 provides a summary of the Educational Service Center's net position for 2014 compared to 2013:

TABLE 1 NET POSITION

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Assets		
Current and Other Assets	\$ 2,851,991	\$ 2,152,299
Capital Assets	393,672	415,883
Total Assets	3,245,663	2,568,182
Liabilities:		
Long-term Liabilities	117,772	191,251
Other Liabilities	1,262,194	864,678
Total Liabilities	1,379,966	1,055,929
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets	370,491	343,394
Restricted	309,699	543,503
Unrestricted	1,185,507	625,356
Total Net Position	\$ 1,865,697	\$ 1,512,253

The amount by which the Educational Service Center's assets exceeded its liabilities is called net position. As of June 30, 2014, the Educational Service Center's net position was \$1.9 million. Of that amount, \$370,491 was invested in capital assets, net of debt related to those assets. Another \$309,699 was subject to external restrictions upon its use. The remaining net position amount of \$1,185,507 is unrestricted and available to the Educational Service Center to fund general operations. Ending net position increased by \$353,444 as compared for fiscal year 2013 or 23.4 percent. The increase in net position was primarily related to the increased in intergovernmental receivables reported at June 30, 2014 compared with that reported for the prior year.

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Restricted net position decreased by \$233,804 from fiscal year 2013. While the largest portion of the restricted amounts relate the Educational Service Center's contract agreement with the Springfield City School District, other local grant programs spent resources received in prior year which resulted in lower year-end balances, especially the Strengthening Families and Creating Success programs. At the end of fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center reported \$243,786 of net position associated with the contract with the Springfield City School District compared to the \$453,216 reported one year prior.

The decrease in long-term liabilities was primarily due to the payment of scheduled debt service payments on the various capital lease obligations to which the Educational Service Center is a party as well as a decrease in the long-term compensated absences reported for the fiscal year. The increase in other liabilities was primarily due to the increase in intergovernmental payable amounts, which included accrued payments for State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) and State Employees Retirement System (SERS).

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for fiscal year 2014 compared with the changes in net position reported for the prior fiscal year.

TABLE 2 CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Revenues:		
Program Revenues:		
Charges in Services	\$ 5,345,804	\$ 4,426,362
Operating Grants & Contributions	798,370	728,391
General Revenues:		
Grants & Entitlements	1,079,020	1,010,208
Other	163,777	1,686
Total Revenues	7,386,971	6,166,647
Program Expenses:		
Instruction	2,290,769	1,254,611
Support Services:		
Pupils and Instructional Staff	3,708,340	4,368,604
Board of Education, Administration,		
Fiscal and Business	918,129	920,966
Plant Operation and Maintenance	111,210	127,629
Central	5,079	32,316
Total Expenses	7,033,527	6,704,126
Change in Net Position	\$ 353,444	\$ (537,479)

The Educational Service Center is funded through numerous means. The major components are tuition and fees, charges for services and intergovernmental (foundation). Total revenues reported for fiscal year 2014 increased by \$1,220,324 or 19.8 % from prior year, which is mainly due to the increase in charges for services related to shared services that the Center provides as well as a slight increase in intergovernmental revenue and tuition and fees from prior year. The Educational Service Center provides various services to the six local school districts that it serves. In addition, certain services are also provided to the Springfield City School District through a contractual agreement with the Educational Service Center.

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

Management continues to make conscientious efforts to limit operating expenses while maintaining the level of service and quality of programs which are required by the local school districts it serves. Total expenses reported for fiscal year 2014 increased by \$329,401, or 4.9 percent, from those reported for the prior year. Total revenue increased by \$1,220,324 or 19.8% from prior year.

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows the net cost of services for fiscal years 2014 and 2013.

TABLE 3 NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE OF SERVICE

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Instruction	\$ (2,192)	\$ (129,707)
Support Services:		
Pupils and Instructional Staff	145,457	(338,755)
Board of Education, Administration,		
Fiscal and Business	(916,329)	(920,966)
Plant Operation and Maintenance	(111,210)	(127,629)
Central	 (5,079)	 (32,316)
Total Net Cost of Service	\$ (889,353)	\$ (1,549,373)

The majority of the services offered by the Education Service Center are classified as special education programs and instructional support services. Therefore a significant portion of the charges for services (tuition and fees) charged to member districts are reported as program revenue associated with these particular functions of expenses. It should be noted, that while some programs are classified as special education instruction, the majority of the expenses related to these program (primarily personnel costs) are for pupil and instructional support personnel and are therefore reported in the support services categories. Member districts are charged for services and tuition in two different manners, through direct billing from the Educational Service Center and through deduction from their State funding provided through the Foundation Program. Intergovernmental grants restricted to educational programs also provide revenue which can be directly related to these expense categories.

The remaining expense categories are used to capture costs related to the general operation and management of the Educational Service Center. As there are very few revenue sources which are directly related to these expense categories, they are almost entirely financed through general revenues (state foundation funding, interest earnings and other miscellaneous revenue). Depreciation expense is charged to the function utilizing the corresponding capital asset.

In general, Table 3 indicates approximately 87.4 percent of the expenses of the Educational Service Center are funded through charges for services, tuition, and operating grants and contributions; the remaining 12.6 percent is funded through general revenues, including state foundation and interest earnings.

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The Educational Service Center's Funds

The Educational Service Center reports one major fund, the General Fund. All funds are classified as governmental funds and are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All governmental funds had total revenues of \$7.4 million and expenditures of \$7.1 million. The net increase in fund balance of \$299,921 resulted in an overall fund balance of \$1,542,873 for all governmental funds, of which \$1,569,443 was reported in the General Fund. Included in the General Fund's ending fund balance, \$292,703 was restricted for various purposes and another \$231,071 has been assigned for specific purposes. The remaining \$1,045,659 of the General Fund's ending fund balance was unassigned and is available for future appropriations as deemed appropriate by the Governing Board. The ending unassigned fund balance reported for the General Fund at year-end represents 16.0 percent of the total General Fund expenditures reported for the year.

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2014 the capital assets of the Educational Service Center consisted of \$476,000 of buildings and improvements, \$243,288 of furniture and equipment and \$21,980 in vehicles, with accumulated depreciation of \$347,596, resulting in net capital assets of \$393,672. The \$22,211 decrease in total net capital assets is exclusively due to depreciation expense for the year offset by \$20,096 in total additions.

See Note 6 of the notes to the basic financial statements for additional information on the Educational Service Center's capital assets.

Debt Administration

At June 30, 2014, the long-term obligations of the Educational Service Center consisted of a capital lease related to equipment and a capital lease agreement, entered into to obtain a building. The Educational Service Center made the last payments on the building lease in fiscal year 2014 totaling \$34,669. See notes 11 and 12 to the notes to the basic financial statements for additional information.

Contacting the Educational Service Center's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, 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 questions about this report or need additional financial information contact the Treasurer's Office at Clark County Educational Service Center, 25 West Pleasant Street, Springfield, OH 45506 or call (937) 325-7671.

Statement of Net Position June 30, 2014

	Governmental Activities		
ASSETS:			
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$ 1,892,546		
Restricted Cash and Investments	243,786		
Accounts Receivable	2,744		
Intergovernmental Receivable	712,915		
Capital Assets:			
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	393,672		
Total Assets	3,245,663		
LIABILITIES:			
Accounts Payable	55,815		
Accrued Wages and Benefits	664,512		
Intergovernmental Payable	513,016		
Matured Compensated Absences	28,851		
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Due Within One Year	21,608		
Due In More Than One Year	96,164		
Total Liabilities	1,379,966		
NET POSITION:			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	370,491		
Restricted for:			
Specific Educational Programs	65,913		
State Mandates	243,786		
Unrestricted	1,185,507		
Total Net Position	\$1,865,697		

Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

			Program 1	Revenues	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
			Trogram	Operating	Tiet I osition
			Charges for	Grants and	Governmental
Functions/Programs:		Expenses	Services	Contributions	Activities
Governmental Activities:	-	2penses	Bervices	Continuations	11011111105
Instruction:					
Regular	\$	195,242	54,814	_	(140,428)
Special	Ψ	2,011,675	2,123,237	110.526	222,088
Student Intervention Services		81,991	-,120,207	-	(81,991)
Other		1,861	_	_	(1,861)
Support Services:		-,			(-,)
Pupils		2,874,720	2,624,357	169,199	(81,164)
Instructional Staff		833,620	543,396	516,845	226,621
Board of Education		61,767	-	1,800	(59,967)
Administration		656,355	-	-	(656,355)
Fiscal		189,627	-	-	(189,627)
Business		10,380	-	-	(10,380)
Operation and Maintenance					
of Plant		111,210	-	-	(111,210)
Central		5,079			(5,079)
Total	\$	7,033,527	5,345,804	798,370	(889,353)
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			Total C	General Revenues	1,242,797
			Chang	e in Net Position	353,444
	Ne	t Position, Begi	nning of Year		1,512,253
	Ne	et Position, End	of Year	\$	1,865,697

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2014

	General Fund		Nonmajor Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
ASSETS:						
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$	1,818,633	\$	73,913	\$	1,892,546
Restricted Cash and Investments		243,786		-		243,786
Receivables:						
Accounts		2,744		-		2,744
Intergovernmental		642,078		70,837		712,915
Interfund		73,971				73,971
Total Assets	\$	2,781,212	\$	144,750	\$	2,925,962
LIABILITIES:						
Accounts Payable	\$	25,420	\$	30,395	\$	55,815
Accrued Wages and Benefits		652,049		12,463		664,512
Intergovernmental Payable		510,748		2,268		513,016
Interfund Payable		-		73,971		73,971
Matured Compensated Absences		23,562		5,289		28,851
Total Liabilities		1,211,779		124,386		1,336,165
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:						
Unavailable Revenue				46,924		46,924
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources				46,924		46,924
FUND BALANCES:						
Restricted for:						
Local Grant Programs		48,917		3,631		52,548
State and Federal Grant Programs		-		35,722		35,722
State Mandates		243,786		-		243,786
Assigned for:						
Subsequent Expenditures		13,808		-		13,808
Future Occupancy Cost		178,700		-		178,700
Future Severance Cost		38,563		-		38,563
Unassigned		1,045,659		(65,913)		979,746
Total Fund Balances		1,569,433		(26,560)		1,542,873
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources,						
and Fund Balances	\$	2,781,212	\$	144,750	\$	2,925,962

Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Position of Governmental Activities June 30, 2014

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 1,542,873
Amounts reported for governmental actvities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial	
resources and therefore not reported in the funds.	393,672
Certain other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. Intergovernmental grants receivable	46,924
Long-term liabilities which are not due and payable in the current	
period and therefore are not reported in the funds.	
Compensated absences payable	(94,591)
Capital leases payable	 (23,181)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 1,865,697

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

	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:	\$ 1,393,686	\$ 464,772	\$ 1,858,458
Intergovernmental Tuition and Fees	134,441	35,303	169,744
Charges for Services	5,176,059	33,303	5,176,059
Interest	1,161	-	1,161
Miscellaneous	192,247	1,000	193,247
Total Revenues	6,897,594	501,075	7,398,669
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Instruction:		400 40	407.44
Regular	4,617	190,625	195,242
Special	2,017,469	250	2,017,719
Vocational	81,991	-	81,991
Other	40	-	40
Support Services:	2.046.077	24.702	2 001 500
Pupils	2,846,877	34,703	2,881,580
Instructional Staff	516,328	341,271	857,599
Board of Education	61,767	-	61,767
Administration	669,412	-	669,412
Fiscal	187,455	-	187,455
Business	1,926	-	1,926
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	89,629	-	89,629
Central	5,079	-	5,079
Debt Service:			
Principal	49,309		49,309
Total Expenditures	6,531,899	566,849	7,098,748
Revenues Over/(Under) Expenditures	365,695	(65,774)	299,921
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Transfers In	-	9,255	9,255
Transfers Out	(9,255)		(9,255)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(9,255)	9,255	
Net Change in Fund Balances	356,440	(56,519)	299,921
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	1,212,993	29,959	1,242,952
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 1,569,433	\$ (26,560)	\$ 1,542,873

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 299,921
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 are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the net difference	
between capital outlay and depreciation expense in the current period. Current year depreciation Capital asset additions	(42,307) 20,096
Revenue reported in the statement of activities that does not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenue in the funds. Intergovernmental	18,932
Repayment of capital lease obligation principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term obligations in the statement of net position.	49,309
Long-term compensated absences are reported as expenses in the statement of activities; however, as these long-term obligations payable do not require the use of current financial resources, they are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.	 7,493
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 353,444

Clark County, Ohio Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORTING ENTITY

The Clark County Educational Service Center (the Educational Service Center) is located in Springfield, Ohio, the county seat. The Educational Service Center operates under a locally elected five-member Board form of government and provides educational services by state and federal agencies. The Board controls the Educational Service Center's 52 support staff employees and 54 certified employees who provide services to the staff and students of the six local school districts within Clark County.

The Educational Service Center was established in 1914 in response to recommendations from the Ohio State School Survey Commission. Senate Bill 9, passed on February 4, 1914, provided for the standardization of schools and established the county educational service centers.

Since 1914, county superintendents have been involved in various areas of administration and performed many services, which include, but are not limited to the following: cooperative programs, supervision, liaison between local school districts and the Ohio Department of Education, health insurance programs, and special education services. Many of those services have been initiated by the county office of education without being legislatively mandated.

The Educational Service Center consists of five elected board members, a superintendent, a treasurer, and employees. The Clark County Educational Service Center is a chartered school district and was chartered July 21, 1989 by the State Board of Elections.

The Educational Service Center serves six local school districts: Greenon Local, Northeastern Local, Northwestern Local, Southeastern Local, Clark-Shawnee Local and Tecumseh Local. It also works with the Springfield-Clark County Career Technology Center in the areas of in-service of administrators. Springfield City Schools and the Educational Service Center have entered into a city/county agreement to provide services in designated areas.

Under Senate Bill 140, county educational service centers are required to appoint business advisory councils. The Educational Service Center has appointed a Business Advisory Council, which is strictly voluntary on the part of the members. There is no financial responsibility of the Educational Service Center for this council. The Business Advisory Council has evolved and merged with the Aspire P-16 Council to promote education from preschool through college/technical school. This consolidated group then joined with the Clark County Chamber of Commerce's "Moving Forward Student Achievement Committee" as many business groups were involved in both committees with the same goals of the best education for all students of Clark County that will be the future of this County's workforce.

Reporting Entity

The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements of the Educational Service Center are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds and departments, not legally separate from the Educational Service Center. For the Educational Service Center, this includes all general operations.

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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 body 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 for which the Educational Service Center approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. The Educational Service Center does not have any component units.

The Educational Service Center is associated with five organizations, which are defined as jointly governed and three insurance purchasing pools. These organizations include the Miami Valley Educational Computer Association, the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Cooperative, the Clark County Family and Children First Council, the Springfield-Clark County Career Technology Center, Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association, the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Worker's Compensation Group Rating Plan, the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Medical Benefits Plan and the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority. Information about these organizations is presented in Notes 13 and 14 to the basic financial statements

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Clark County 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 statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the Educational Service Center at year-end. The government-wide 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 and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular program. Revenues not classified as program

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revenues are presented as general revenues of the Educational Service Center, with certain limited exceptions. 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 year, the Educational Service Center segregates transactions related to certain 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 rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

B. Fund Accounting

The Educational Service Center uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain functions or activities. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. All of the Educational Service Center's funds are classified as governmental funds.

Governmental Funds

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 versus liabilities and deferred inflows of resources is reported as fund balance. The Educational Service Center's major fund is:

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund is available to the Educational Service Center for any purpose provided it is expended or 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 uses are restricted to a particular purpose.

C. Measurement Focus

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the Educational Service Center are included on the Statement of 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, current liabilities, and deferred inflow of resources 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.

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. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred revenue and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

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 collectible within the current fiscal year or 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.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the Educational Service Center receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, entitlements, and donations. On an accrual basis, 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 fiscal 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 non-exchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

In applying the susceptible to accrual concept under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are deemed to be both measurable and available: tuition and fees, intergovernmental grants, and charges for services.

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are recorded as unearned revenue. On governmental fund financial statements, receivables that will not be collected within the available period have also been reported as unavailable deferred inflows of resources.

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The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are recorded when the related liability is incurred, if measurable. The costs of accumulated unpaid vacation and sick leave are reported as fund liabilities in the period in which they will be paid out as a result of employment, retirement or termination rather than in the period earned by the employee. Allocation of costs, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in governmental funds.

The accrual basis of accounting utilized on the government-wide financial statements recognizes revenues when they are earned, and expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

E. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Educational Service Center is pooled in a central bank account. Monies for all funds are pooled in this account. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Educational Service Center's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented on the balance sheet as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments".

During fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center's investments were limited to funds invested in certificates of deposit as well as the State Treasury Assets Reserves of Ohio (STAR Ohio). STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2014.

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 \$1,161 which includes \$75 assigned from other Educational Service Center funds.

For presentation on the statement of net position and the governmental fund's balance sheet, investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Educational Service Center are considered to be cash equivalents.

F. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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.

G. Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position may 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 then. For the Educational Service Center, deferred inflows of resources include unavailable revenues, which consists of grants receivables that will not be collected within the available period. Unavailable revenue is reported only on the governmental fund balance sheet and represents receivables which will not be collected within the available period.

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H. Capital Assets and Depreciation

General capital assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported within the governmental activities on the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the fund statements.

The Educational Service Center's capitalization threshold is \$1,000 and all capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements throughout the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Educational Service Center does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

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.

Description	Estimated
	Lives
Buildings and Improvements	10-40 years
Equipment	5-15 years
Vehicles	8 years

I. Compensated Absences

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the 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 leave time when earned, for all employees with more than one year of service.

A liability for sick leave is accrued using the vesting method which states that the Educational Service Center will estimate its liability based on sick leave accumulated at the end of the fiscal year by those employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments as specified by the retirement system as well as other employees who are expected to become eligible in the future to receive such payments. The amount is based on accumulated sick 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 sick leave for all employees after ten years of current service with the Educational Service Center.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements. For governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are reported as liabilities and expenditures to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements.

J. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

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

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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, principal payment on capital leases and compensated absences liability that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they have matured and are due for payment.

K. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net investment 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, or regulations of other governments.

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

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 the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

<u>Nonspendable</u> – nonspendable fund balance 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" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

<u>Restricted</u> – 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.

<u>Committed</u> – committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Educational Service Center's governing board. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the governing board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

<u>Assigned</u> – 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. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended use established by the Educational Service Center's governing board.

<u>Unassigned</u> – unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

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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 amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used. For the year ended June 30, 2014, the Educational Service Center did not report any fund balances meeting the definition of nonspendable or committed.

NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes require the classification of monies held by the Educational Service Center into three categories.

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

Inactive monies are public deposits that the Educational Service Center has identified as not required for use with the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive monies may be deposited or invested as certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or as 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 the certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit, or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Protection of the Educational Service Center's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the treasurer by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public money deposited with the institution.

Interim monies may be invested in the following obligations:

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;

Bonds, notes, debentures, or other obligations or securities 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 governmental agencies or instrumentalities;

Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;

Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;

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No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) of this section and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;

The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);

Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the date of purchase in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time;

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.

Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Educational Service Center's deposits may not be returned to it. Protection of the Educational Service Center's cash and deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as well as qualified securities pledged by the institution holding the assets. By law, financial institutions must collateralize all public deposits. The face value of the pooled collateral must equal at least 105 percent of public funds deposited. Collateral is held by trustees including the Federal Reserve Bank and designated third parties of the financial institution.

At fiscal year end, the carrying amount of the Educational Service Center's deposits was \$1,484,642 and the bank balance was \$1,640,180. Of the bank balance \$251,740 was covered by federal deposit insurance and the remaining \$1,388,440 was exposed to custodial credit risk as it was collateralized with pooled securities held by a trustee of the pledging institution.

Investments

The Educational Service Center's only investment at June 30, 2014 was in STAR Ohio, an investment pool operated by the Ohio State Treasurer. STAR Ohio is an uninsured and uncollateralized investment since it is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. STAR Ohio had a fair value of \$651,690 at June 30, 2014 and was rated AAAm by Standard and Poors.

NOTE 4 – STATE FUNDING

The Educational Service Center is funded by the State Department of Education for the cost of Part (A) of their Budget. This funding is provided from State resources.

Part (B) of the budget is provided by the school districts to which the Educational Service Center provides services and by the State Department of Education. Each school district's portion is determined by multiplying the average daily membership of the school district (the total number of students enrolled) by \$6.50. This amount is deducted by the State Department of Education from that school district's resources provided under the State's Foundation Program. The Department of Education's portion is determined by multiplying the sum of the average daily memberships of all of the school districts served by the Educational Service Center. For fiscal year 2014 the funding for educational service centers was \$37.00 per student.

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If additional funding is needed, and if a majority of the Boards of Educations of the school districts served by the Educational Service Center approve, the cost of Part (B) of the budget can be increased. The portion that is in excess of the original funding calculation is shared by all of the school districts served by the Educational Service Center through additional reductions in their resources provided through the State Foundation program. The State Board of Education initiates and supervises the procedure under which the school districts approve or disapprove the additional apportionment.

NOTE 5 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2014, consisted of amounts due on a federal educational grant as well as from school districts for services provided. All receivables are considered collectible in full and consisted of the following amounts as of June 30, 2014:

Amounts due from local school districts for services provided	\$ 642,078
Amount due on educational grants:	
Teach Ohio Program	34,948
Parent Mentor	25,000
Early Childhood Special Education	 10,889
Total Grant Receivable	 70,837
Total Intergovernmental Receivable	\$ 712,915

NOTE 6 – CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	Balance]	Balance
	 7/1/2013	I	ncrease	De	crease	6	/30/2014
Capital Assets, being depreciated							
Buildings and Improvements	\$ 476,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	476,000
Furniture and Equipment	223,192		20,096		-		243,288
Vehicles	 21,980						21,980
	 721,172		20,096				741,268
Less: Accumulated Depreciation							
Buildings and Improvements	114,240		19,040		-		133,280
Furniture and Equipment	171,267		23,267		-		194,534
Vehicles	 19,782		-				19,782
	 305,289		42,307	k			347,596
Governmental Activities Capital							
Assets, Net	\$ 415,883	\$	(22,211)	\$		\$	393,672

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* - Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Instruction:	
Special	\$ 912
Support Services:	
Pupil Support	1,946
Instructional Support	1,464
Administration	5,859
Fiscal	1,761
Business	8,784
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	 21,581
Total Depreciation Expense	\$ 42,307

NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Property and Liability

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 Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA), a member-owned insurance consortium pool. Each individual school district pays annual premiums determined by SORSA to be sufficient to provide for anticipated claims (See Note 14). SORSA utilizes commercial insurance companies to provide reinsurance coverage for all claims exceeding \$100,000 for property and automobile physical damage coverage and \$250,000 for third-party liability coverage. For equipment breakdown coverage SORSA reinsures 100 percent of this exposure and does not retain any level of self-insurance. There is not a deductible for most claims. Insurance coverage provided includes the following:

\$15,000,000
10,000/25,000
1,000,000
15,000,000
15,000,000
500,000
10,000/25,000
17,000,000
15,000,000
15,000,000
15,000,000
15,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the last fiscal year.

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B. Workers' Compensation

For fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center participated in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 14). The plan is intended 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. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the GRP. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "Equity Pooling Fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Integrated Comp Incorporated provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

C. Medical Benefits

For fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center participated in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Medical Benefits Plan (MBP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 14). The intent of the MBP is to achieve the benefit of reduced health insurance premiums for the Educational Service Center by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the MBP. The health insurance experience of the participants gschool districts is calculated and a premium rate is applied to all school districts in the MBP. Each participant pays its health insurance premiums to the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council (SOEPC). Participation in the MBP is limited to school districts that can meet the MBP's selection criteria.

NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

A. School Employees Retirement System

The Educational Service Center contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement and 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 writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3476 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS' website, www.ohsers.org, under *Employers/Audit Resources*.

Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Educational Service Center is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended, up to a statutory maximum amount, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The Retirement Board acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund) of the System. For fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, the allocation to pension and death benefits is 13.1 percent. The remaining 0.9 percent of the 14.0 employer contribution rate is allocated to the Health Care and Medicare B Funds. The Educational Service Center's contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$202,504, \$182,487, and \$167,235, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

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B. State Teachers Retirement System

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 may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3371 or by calling (614) 227-4090, 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 times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on member contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds times an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 9.5 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 Combined Plan offers features of both the DC Plan and the DB 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. DC and Combined Plan members will transfer to the Defined Benefit Plan during their fifth year of membership unless they permanently select the DC or Combined Plan. Existing members with less than five years of service credit as of June 30, 2001, were given the option of making a one-time irrevocable decision to transfer their account balances from the existing DB Plan into the DC Plan or the Combined Plan. This option expired on December 31, 2001. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years credited service who becomes disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible spouses and dependents of these active members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, plan members were required to contribute 11 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Educational Service Center was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 14 percent for members and 14 percent for employers as of June 30, 2014. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The Educational Service Center's contributions for pension obligations for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012 were \$423,558, \$454,716, and \$384,288, respectively, equal to required contributions for each year. Member and employer contributions actually made for defined contribution and combined plan participants will be provided upon written request.

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 have an option to choose Social Security or the SERS/STRS. As of June 30, 2014, two out of the five members of the Governing Board have elected social security. The Educational Service Center's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

Clark County, Ohio Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

NOTE 9 – POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Educational Service Center provides comprehensive health care benefits to retired teachers and their dependents through the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) and to retired non-certified employees and their dependents through the School Employees Retirement System (SERS).

A. School Employees Retirement System

The School Employees Retirement System (SERS) administers two postemployment benefit plans, Medicare Part B and Health Care Plans.

The Medicare Part B plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries as set forth in Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 3309.69. Qualified benefit recipients who pay Medicare Part B premiums may apply for and receive a monthly reimbursement from SERS. The reimbursement amount is limited by statute to the lesser of the January 1, 1999 Medicare Part B premium or the current premium. The Medicare Part B monthly premium for calendar year 2013 was \$104.90 for most participants, but could be as high as \$335.70 per month depending on their income. SERS' reimbursement to retirees was \$45.50.

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

The ORC provides the statutory authority to fund SERS' postemployment benefits through employer contributions. Active members do not make contributions to the postemployment benefit plans.

The SERS Retirement Board establishes the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status. The financial reports of SERS' Health Care and Medicare B plans are included in its *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. The report can be obtained by contacting SERS, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under *Employers/Audit Resources*.

The Health Care Fund was established under, and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code 105(e). Each year after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer 14 percent contribution to the Health Care Fund. For the year ended June 30, 2014, the health care allocation is 0.14 percent. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2014, the minimum compensation level was established at \$20,250. The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The amount of the Educational Service Center's contributions to SERS allocated to the Health Care Plan for the years ended June 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012 were \$14,971, \$14,137, and \$24,139, respectively.

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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 \$10,993, \$9,646, and \$8,959, respectively, which equaled the required contributions each year.

B. School Teachers Retirement System

STRS Ohio administers a pension plan that is comprised of: a defined benefit plan; a self-directed defined contribution plan and a combined plan which is a hybrid of the defined benefit and defined contribution plan. Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer a cost-sharing, multiple-employer health care plan. STRS Ohio provides access to health care coverage to eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined plans. Coverage under the current program includes hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report. Interested parties can view the most recent *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report* by visiting www.strsoh.org or by requesting a copy by calling toll-free 1-888-227-7877.

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 2014, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to one percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The Educational Service Center's contributions for health care for the years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$30,254, \$32,480, and \$27,449, respectively.

NOTE 10 – OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A. Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vacation, personal and sick leave benefits are derived from Board policy and State laws. All twelve month certified employees earn twenty days of vacation per fiscal year, eleven month certified employees earn fifteen days of vacation per fiscal year and ten month certified employees earn ten days of vacation per fiscal year. Certified employees working less than ten months do not earn vacation time.

Support staff employees earn ten days of vacation after one year of service; after eight years of service they earn fifteen days of vacation; with fifteen years of service they earn twenty days of vacation and after twenty-five years of service they earn twenty-five days of vacation per year. Accumulated, unused vacation must be used by December of the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which it is earned.

All employees earn three days of personal leave per fiscal year. Accumulated, unused personal leave does not carry beyond the contract in which it is earned.

All employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of 250 days for all personnel. Upon retirement, payment is made for one-fifth of accrued, but unused sick leave credit to a maximum of 45 days for all employees. Directors with two years experience with the Educational Service Center are eligible to be paid a maximum of 56 days of unused sick leave upon retirement.

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B. Insurance Benefits

The Educational Service Center provides life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance to most employees through Medical Life Insurance Company. Medical/surgical benefits are provided by United Health Care through Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Medical Benefits Plan (MBP) (See Note 14). The employees' are required to contribute 20 percent of the premiums for medical/surgical benefits.

C. Pick-Up of Employees' Share of Retirement

The Educational Service Center contributes 14 percent of the employee wages to the State Teachers' Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) and the School Employees Retirement System (SERS). The remaining 11 percent for STRS and 10 percent for SERS is paid by the employee with the exception of fully paid retirement for the Superintendent, Treasurer, and selected administrators as defined by their respective contracts.

NOTE 11 - CAPITAL LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE

In July 2007, the Educational Service Center entered into an agreement with the Clark County Board of County Commissioners for the lease-purchase of certain property to use for administrative offices and operational space. The agreement called for an initial payment of \$60,000 in September 2007, and quarterly payments of \$17,333 for a period of six years, with no provision for interest. The total consideration paid for the property was \$476,000 with ownership of the property being conveyed to the Educational Service Center after completion of all payments. The Educational Service Center's last payment was made in December of 2013. In prior years, the Educational Service Center entered into various capitalized leases for the purchase of equipment. These leases meet the criteria of a capital lease as it transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee.

The capital assets acquired by lease have been capitalized in the statement of net position totaling \$476,000 and \$81,332 for buildings and equipment, respectively, which is equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. A corresponding liability is reported on the statement of net position. Principal payments in fiscal year 2014 totaled \$49,309.

The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the capital leases and the present value of the minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2014.

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	
2015	14,640
2016	 8,541
Total Minimum Lease Payments	23,181
Less: Amount Representing Interest	 -
Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 23,181

Clark County, Ohio Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

NOTE 12 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

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

	Balance 7/1/2013	Increase	Decrease	Balance 6/30/2014	Due within One Year
Compensated Absences Capital Lease Obligations	\$ 118,761 72,490	\$ 69,560	\$ 93,730 49,309	\$ 94,591 23,181	\$ 6,968 14,640
Total Long-Term Obligations	\$ 191,251	\$ 69,560	\$ 143,039	\$ 117,772	\$ 21,608

Compensated absences will be paid from the funds from which the employees' salaries are paid. Capital leases will continue to be paid from the General Fund.

NOTE 13 – JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

Miami Valley Educational Computer Association

The Educational Service Center is a participant in the Miami Valley Educational Computer Association (MVECA) which is a computer consortium. MVECA is an association of public schools within the boundaries of Clark, Clinton, Fayette, Greene and Highland Counties and Cities of Springfield, Wilmington, Washington Court House, Xenia and Hillsboro. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to administrative and instructional functions among member districts.

The governing board of MVECA consists of five Superintendents and two Treasurers of member school districts, with four of the five Superintendents and both Treasurers elected by a majority vote of all member school districts except the Greene County Career Center. The fifth Superintendent is from the Greene County Career Center. The Educational Service Center paid MVECA \$17,264 for services provided during the year. Financial information can be obtained from Thor Sage, who serves as Director, at 330 East Enon Road, Yellow Springs, Ohio 45387.

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Cooperative

The Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Cooperative (SOEPC) is a purchasing cooperative made up of nearly 100 school districts in 12 counties. The purpose of the cooperative is to obtain prices for quality merchandise and services commonly used by schools. All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges, or other assessments established by the SOEPC.

Each member district has one voting representative. Title to any and all equipment, furniture and supplies purchased by the SOEPC is held in trust for the member districts. Any district withdrawing from the SOEPC forfeits its claim to any and all SOEPC assets. One year prior notice is necessary for withdrawal from the group. During this time, the withdrawing member is liable for all member obligations. Payments to SOEPC are made from the general fund. During fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center paid \$375 to the SOEPC. To obtain financial information, write to the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council, Ken Swink, who serves as Director, at 303 Corporate Center Drive, Vandalia, Ohio 45377.

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Clark County Family and Children First Council

The Clark County Family and Children First Council (the Council) is a voluntary association established to coordinate and integrate those services within Clark County which are available for families and children and to establish a comprehensive, coordinated, multi-disciplinary, interagency system for the delivery of such services in order to more effectively meet the needs of each of the members of the Council. The Board of Trustees is comprised of eighteen representatives of each of the members of the Council, including the Superintendents of the Clark County schools. All members are obligated to pay all dues as established by the Council to aid the financing of the operations and programs of the Council. Any member withdrawing from the Council must give one hundred eighty days written notice to the Council after formal action of the member's governing board. To obtain financial information, write to the Clark County Family and Children First Council, Leslie Crew, who serves as Executive Director, at 1345 Lagonda Road, Springfield, Ohio 45502.

Springfield-Clark County Career Technology Center

The Springfield-Clark County Career Technology Center (the Center) is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of one representative from each of the seven participating school districts' elected boards, which possess its own budgeting and taxing authority. One member is appointed from the following: Clark-Shawnee Local School District, Greenon Local School District, Northeastern Local School District, Southeastern Local School District, Tecumseh Local School District, and the Educational Service Center. One member is appointed from the Springfield City School District. To obtain financial information, write to the Springfield-Clark County Career Technology Center, Anthony Fraley, who serves as Treasurer, 1901 Selma Road, Springfield, Ohio 45505-4329.

Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association

The Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association (SOITA) is a non-profit corporation organized to serve the educational needs of the area through television programming for the advancement of educational programs. The Board of Trustees is comprised of twenty-one representatives of SOITA member schools or institutions. Nineteen representatives are elected from within the counties by the qualified members within the counties, i.e. Auglaize, Butler, Champaign, Clark, Clinton, Darke, Fayette, Greene, Hamilton, Logan, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, Shelby, and Warren. Montgomery, Greene and Butler Counties elect two representatives per area. All others elect one representative per area. One at-large non-public representative is elected by the non-public school SOITA members from the State assigned SOITA service area. One at-large higher education representative is elected by higher education SOITA members from within the State assigned SOITA service area.

All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges or other assessments as established by SOITA. Upon dissolution, the net position shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Payments to SOITA are made from the General Fund. The Educational Service Center made no contributions to SOITA during the fiscal year. To obtain financial information, write to the Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association, Frank DePalma, who serves as the Interim Executive Director, at 150 East Sixth Street, Franklin, Ohio 45505.

Clark County, Ohio Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

NOTE 14 – INSURANCE POOLS

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

The Educational Service Center participates in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP). The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a fourteen member committee consisting of various EPC representatives that are elected by the general assembly. Either the superintendent or treasurer from each participating school district serves on the general assembly. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Medical Benefits Plan

The Educational Service Center participates in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Medical Benefits Plan (MBP). The MBP's business and affairs are conducted by an eleven member committee consisting of various MBP representatives that are elected by the general assembly. Either the superintendent or treasurer from each participating school district serves on the general assembly. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the MBP to cover the costs of administering the program.

Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority

The Educational Service Center participates in the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA) a risk sharing insurance pool. The pool consists of seventy-six school districts and educational services centers throughout Ohio who pool risk for property, crime, liability, boiler and machinery and public official liability coverage. The Educational Service Center pays an annual premium to SORSA for this coverage. There is no deductible for most claims. The self-insured retention by SORSA is \$100,000 for property and automobile physical damage and \$250,000 for third-party liability. Reinsurance is purchased to cover claims exceeding these amounts and for all claims related to equipment breakdown coverage.

NOTE 15 - INTERFUND ACTIVITY

During fiscal year 2014, the Educational Service Center advanced \$73,971 from the General Fund to the following grant funds in order to cover cash until the grants were reimbursed, or in the case of the Family Academy Coordinator Fund, until reimbursed by local school districts for services rendered: Parent Mentor Grant Fund (\$35,403), Teach Ohio Grant Fund (\$27,680), and the Preschool Grant Fund (\$10,888).

The General fund transferred out a total of \$9,255 to the non-major governmental funds during fiscal year 2014 to provide temporary operating resources.

Clark County, Ohio Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

NOTE 16 - CONTINGENCIES

The Educational Service Center received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and 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. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Educational Service Center at June 30, 2014.

NOTE 17 – DEFICIT FUND BALANCES

At June 30, 2014 the following non-major special revenues funds reported deficit fund balances: Parent Mentor Services grant (\$38,893) and the Preschool Grant (\$27,020). The deficits in these funds occurred due to the recognition of certain liabilities for which funding has not yet been provided. Management expects having necessary resources available when the obligations become due in the subsequent fiscal year. The general fund is liable for any deficit in any other fund and provides operating transfers or advances when cash is required, not when accruals occur.

NOTE 18 – CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, the Educational Service Center implemented GASB Statement No. 70, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Financial Guarantees*. GASB Statement No. 70 establishes reporting standards for nonexchange financial guarantee and to recognize a liability when qualitative factors and historical data indicate the government will more than likely be required to make a payment on the guarantee. This statement did not require the Educational Service Center to restate any prior fiscal year balances.

In addition, GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, has been issued by the GASB but is not required to be implemented by the Educational Service Center until fiscal year 2015. Management has not yet determined the impact this new standard will have on the Center's financial statements.

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP) and Actual General Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget
Revenues:				
Tuition and Fees			\$ 131,697	
Intergovernmental			1,393,686	
Charges for Services			4,662,822	
Interest Miscellaneous			1,161 172,911	
Total Revenues			6,362,277	
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular Instruction	\$ 5,299	\$ 5,340	6,200	\$ (860)
Special Instruction	1,693,533	1,706,419	1,981,406	(274,987)
Other Instruction	70,079	70,612	81,991	(11,379)
Support Services:	2.070.470	2.096.222	2 422 426	(226 102)
Pupils Instructional Staff	2,070,479 559,096	2,086,233 563,350	2,422,426 654,133	(336,193) (90,783)
Board of Education	52,853	53,255	61,837	(8,582)
Administration:	579,070	583,476	677,502	(94,026)
Fiscal	179,288	180,652	209,764	(29,112)
Business	9,154	9,224	10,710	(1,486)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	87,419	88,084	102,279	(14,195)
Central	4,341	4,374	5,079	(705)
Capital Outlay	21,340	21,502	24,967	(3,465)
Total Expenditures	5,331,951	5,372,521	6,238,294	(865,773)
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(5,331,951)	(5,372,521)	123,983	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Refund of Prior Year Receipts	(418)	(421)	(489)	(68)
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures			19,825	
Advances In	(222.024)	(227 =24)	343,579	(27 00 2)
Advances Out	(233,921)	(235,701)	(273,684)	(37,983)
Transfers Out	(7,126)	(7,180)	(8,337)	(1,157)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ (241,465)	\$ (243,302)	80,894	(39,208)
Net Change in Fund Balance			204,877	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year			1,549,798	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated			190,299	
Fund Balance, End of Year			\$ 1,944,974	

Clark County, Ohio Notes to the Supplementary Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

Basis of Budgeting

Basis of budgeting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts. The Educational Service Center recognizes transactions when cash is received or disbursed, or when a commitment has been recorded as an encumbrance against an applicable appropriation. Unencumbered fund balance is available for appropriation in the following fiscal year and therefore fund balances shown are unencumbered cash balances. This basis is utilized for all interim financial statements issued during the year.

The basis of budgeting differs from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) used for the Educational Service Center's year-end basic financial statements. Under that basis of accounting, expenses are generally recognized when the Educational Service Center becomes eligible to receive the revenue; the budget basis however, recognizes revenue only when cash has been received. In the basic financial statements, expenditures are generally recognized in the period in which they are incurred. Under the budget basis, expenditures are recognized when cash has been disbursed or when an encumbrance has been placed against an appropriation.

General Budget Policies

The Educational Service Center is not required to follow the budgetary provisions set forth in Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705 as it does not have local tax levies. However, the Governing Board annually adopts an expenditure budget which sets the spending authority, or appropriations, at the individual fund level, for the ensuing year. The Governing Board does not budget revenues.

The primary level of budget control established by the Governing Board is at the fund level. Any budgetary modifications below this amount may be made by management. Any changes in the total appropriations of a fund must be approved by resolution of the Governing Board. During fiscal year 2014 there were several modifications to the permanent appropriation budget approved by the Governing Board. The budget figures which appear in the statement of budgetary comparisons represent the final appropriation amounts.

As part of budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded as the equivalent of expenditures on the non-GAAP budgetary basis in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation and to determine and maintain legal compliance. On the GAAP basis, encumbrances outstanding at fiscal year-end are reported as an assigned of fund balance for subsequent year expenditures for governmental funds.

At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriation and becomes subject to future appropriation. Encumbrance appropriations are carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and are not reappropriated.

While the Educational Service Center is reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balances on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP) and Actual – General Fund presented as supplementary information is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP basis are as follows:

1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).

Clark County, Ohio Notes to the Supplementary Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

- 2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the fund liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
- 3. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than as an assigned of fund balance (GAAP basis).
- 4. Other financing sources and uses (transfers and advances) are treated as cash inflows and outflows on the budget basis rather than accruals and/or revenues and expenses on the GAAP basis.
- 5. For financial reporting purposes, certain funds are combined with the activity of the General Fund on the GAAP basis. However, on the budget basis separate individual budgets are adopted for each respective fund.

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statements to the budgetary basis schedule for the General Fund.

Net Change in Fund Balance General Fund

GAAP Basis	\$ 356,440
Revenue Accruals	(129,188)
Expenditure Accruals	(20,139)
Encumbrances	(78,884)
Transfers	918
Net Advances	69,895
Budget Perspective Difference	 5,835
Budget Basis	\$ 204,877

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Clark County, Ohio

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013 (Unaudited)

The discussion and analysis of the Clark County Educational Service Center's financial performance provides an overall review of the Educational Service Center's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013. 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 notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Educational Service Center's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2013 are as follows:

Overall:

- Total net position decreased \$537,479 which represents a 26.2 percent decrease from the net position reported at June 30, 2012.
- Total assets of governmental activities decreased \$557,812 attributed primarily to the decreased cash and investment balance reported at June 30, 2013 compared with that reported for the prior year, as well a decrease in net capital assets.
- Program revenues, in the form of charges for services and operating grants and contributions, accounted for \$5.1 million or 83.6 percent of total revenue. General revenue sources, primarily state foundation payments, accounted for the remaining \$1.0 million of revenue received by the Educational Service Center.
- Of the Educational Service Center's \$6.7 million in expenses, \$5.1 million were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues (primarily entitlements and interest) and carryover balances were used to cover the net expense of approximately \$1.6 million.
- The General Fund, the Educational Service Center's operating fund, had an ending fund balance of \$1.2 million or a \$630,473 decrease from fiscal year 2012. The amount reported as restricted for specific purposes increased by \$20,173 from the amount reported one year prior due to an increase in the amount of funding held at year-end related to miscellaneous state mandated services.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand Clark County 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.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013 (Unaudited)

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole Educational Service Center, presenting both an aggregated view of the Educational Service Center's finances and a longer-term view of those statements. 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. The Educational Service Center reports one major governmental fund, the General Fund.

Reporting the Educational Service Center as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

While this document contains a large number of funds used by the Educational Service Center to provide programs and activities, 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 2013?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answers 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. The change in net position is important because allows the reader to determine if the financial position of the Educational Service Center, as a whole, has either improved or diminished during the current fiscal year. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the Educational Service Center's state funding, office space issues, and legislative decisions related to service delivery as well as organization of county service centers in the future.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the Educational Service Center reports governmental activities. Governmental activities are the activities where all of the Educational Service Center's programs and services are including, but not limited to, instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant and pupil transportation. The Educational Service Center does not have any business-type activities.

Reporting the Educational Service Center's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the Educational Service Center's major funds begins after the Statement of Activities. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the General Fund. The Educational Service Center uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the Educational Service Center's most significant funds, and therefore only the major fund is presented separate from the other governmental funds.

Clark County, Ohio

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013 (Unaudited)

Governmental Funds

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 year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual, 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 government 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.

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 1 provides a summary of the Educational Service Center's net position for 2013 compared to 2012:

TABLE 1 NET POSITION

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Assets		
Current and Other Assets	\$ 2,152,299	\$ 2,668,389
Capital Assets	415,883	457,605
Total Assets	2,568,182	3,125,994
Liabilities:		
Long-term Liabilities	191,251	331,451
Other Liabilities	864,678	744,811
Total Liabilities	1,055,929	1,076,262
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets	343,394	300,329
Restricted	543,503	517,953
Unrestricted	625,356	1,231,450
Total Net Position	\$ 1,512,253	\$ 2,049,732

The amount by which the Educational Service Center's assets exceeded its liabilities is called net position. As of June 30, 2013, the Educational Service Center's net position was \$1.5 million. Of that amount, \$343,394 was invested in capital assets, net of debt related to those assets. Another \$543,503 was subject to external restrictions upon its use. The remaining net position amount of \$625,356 is unrestricted and available to the Educational Service Center to fund general operations. Ending net position decreased by \$537,479 as compared for fiscal year 2012 or 26.2 percent. The decrease in net position was primarily related to the decreased cash and investment balances, which was slightly offset with a decrease in the long-term liabilities, reported at June 30, 2013 compared with that reported for the prior year which resulted from debt service payments on the capital lease obligations made throughout the fiscal year.

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Restricted net position increased by \$25,550 from fiscal year 2012. The increase was mainly due to the restricted amounts related the Educational Service Center's contract agreement with the Springfield City School District and other federal and local grant programs including the Teach Ohio, Strengthening Families and Creating Success programs. At the end of fiscal year 2013, the Educational Service Center reported \$453,216 of net position associated with the contract with the Springfield City School District compared to the \$433,043 reported one year prior.

The decrease in long-term liabilities was primarily due to the payment of scheduled debt service payments on the various capital lease obligations to which the Educational Service Center is a party as well as a decrease in the long-term compensated absences reported for the fiscal year. The increase in other liabilities was primarily due to the increase in payroll liabilities, which consisted of accrued wages owed at year-end as well as intergovernmental payable amounts, which included accrued payments for State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) and State Employees Retirement System (SERS).

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for fiscal year 2013 compared with the changes in net position reported for the prior fiscal year.

TABLE 2 CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Revenues:		
Program Revenues:		
Charges in Services	\$ 4,426,362	\$ 5,047,836
Operating Grants & Contributions	728,391	579,334
General Revenues:		
Grants & Entitlements	1,010,208	1,102,970
Other	1,686	34,084
Total Revenues	6,166,647	6,764,224
Program Expenses:		
Instruction	1,254,611	1,387,585
Support Services:		
Pupils and Instructional Staff	4,368,604	4,125,953
Board of Education, Administration,		
Fiscal and Business	920,966	900,202
Plant Operation and Maintenance	127,629	69,999
Central	32,316	38,397
Total Expenses	6,704,126	6,522,136
Change in Net Position	\$ (537,479)	\$ 242,088

The Educational Service Center is funded through numerous means. The major components are tuition and fees, charges for services and intergovernmental (foundation). Total revenues reported for fiscal year 2013 decreased by \$597,577 or 8.8% from prior year, which is mainly due to the decrease in charges for services related to shared services that the Center provides as well as a slight decrease in intergovernmental revenue from prior year. The Educational Service Center provides various services to the six local school districts that it serves. In addition, certain services are also provided to the Springfield City School District through a contractual agreement with the Educational Service Center.

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Management continues to make conscientious efforts to limit operating expenses while maintaining the level of service and quality of programs which are required by the local school districts it serves. Total expenses reported for fiscal year 2013 increased by \$181,990, or 2.8 percent, from those reported for the prior year. As the majority of the Educational Service Center's expenses are related to wages and benefits paid to employees, any year in which wages are increased has an impact on the expenses reported. The increase in expenses, coupled with the decrease in charges for services and intergovernmental revenue resulted in a decrease in the net position for the fiscal year.

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows the net cost of services for fiscal years 2013 and 2012.

TABLE 3 NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE OF SERVICE

	2013	<u>2012</u>
Instruction	\$ (129,707)	\$ 520,036
Support Services:		
Pupils and Instructional Staff	(338,755)	(410,604)
Board of Education, Administration,		
Fiscal and Business	(920,966)	(899,302)
Plant Operation and Maintenance	(127,629)	(66,699)
Central	 (32,316)	 (38,397)
Total Net Cost of Service	\$ (1,549,373)	\$ (894,966)

The majority of the services offered by the Education Service Center are classified as special education programs and instructional support services. Therefore a significant portion of the charges for services (tuition and fees) charged to member districts are reported as program revenue associated with these particular functions of expenses. It should be noted, that while some programs are classified as special education instruction, the majority of the expenses related to these program (primarily personnel costs) are for pupil and instructional support personnel and are therefore reported in the support services categories. Member districts are charged for services and tuition in two different manners, through direct billing from the Educational Service Center and through deduction from their State funding provided through the Foundation Program. Intergovernmental grants restricted to educational programs also provide revenue which can be directly related to these expense categories.

The remaining expense categories are used to capture costs related to the general operation and management of the Educational Service Center. As there are very few revenue sources which are directly related to these expense categories, they are almost entirely financed through general revenues (state foundation funding, interest earnings and other miscellaneous revenue). Depreciation expense is charged to the function utilizing the corresponding capital asset.

In general, Table 3 indicates approximately 76.9 percent of the expenses of the Educational Service Center are funded through charges for services, tuition, and operating grants and contributions; the remaining 23.1 percent is funded through general revenues, including state foundation and interest earnings.

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The Educational Service Center's Funds

The Educational Service Center reports one major fund, the General Fund. All funds are classified as governmental funds and are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All governmental funds had total revenues of \$6.1 million and expenditures of \$6.8 million. The net decrease in fund balance of \$675,742 resulted in an overall fund balance of \$1,242,952 for all governmental funds, of which \$1,212,993 was reported in the General Fund. Included in the General Fund's ending fund balance, \$502,133 was restricted for various purposes and another \$356,837 has been assigned for specific purposes. The remaining \$354,023 of the General Fund's ending fund balance was unassigned and is available for future appropriations as deemed appropriate by the Governing Board. The ending unassigned fund balance reported for the General Fund at year-end represents 5.6 percent of the total General Fund expenditures reported for the year.

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2013 the capital assets of the Educational Service Center consisted of \$476,000 of buildings and improvements, \$223,192 of furniture and equipment and \$21,980 in vehicles, with accumulated depreciation of \$305,289, resulting in net capital assets of \$415,883. The \$41,722 decrease in total net capital assets is exclusively due to depreciation expense for the year.

See Note 6 of the notes to the basic financial statements for additional information on the Educational Service Center's capital assets.

Debt Administration

At June 30, 2013, the long-term obligations of the Educational Service Center consisted solely of a capital lease agreement, entered into to obtain a building. The remaining liability on this lease at the end of fiscal year 2013 totaled \$72,490; of which \$49,307 is due within one year. See notes 11 and 12 to the notes to the basic financial statements for additional information.

For the Future

The Educational Service Center is looking forward to owning the building that they currently reside in. While the lease agreement with Clark County continues through March 2014, upon meeting all of the requirements of the lease agreement, the property will be conveyed to Clark County Educational Service Center when the lease terms expire. Additionally, the Educational Service Center is continuing to provide and possibly extend the shared services they offer in an effort to generate revenue.

Contacting the Educational Service Center's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, 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 questions about this report or need additional financial information contact the Treasurer's Office at Clark County Educational Service Center, 25 West Pleasant Street, Springfield, OH 45506 or call (937) 325-7671.

Statement of Net Position June 30, 2013

Governmental Activities
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Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013

		Program 1	Revenues	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
			Operating	
		Charges for	Grants and	Governmental
Functions/Programs:	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Activities
Governmental Activities:				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 18,959	56,787	-	37,828
Special	1,152,521	964,746	103,371	(84,404)
Student Intervention Services	75,956	-	-	(75,956)
Other	7,175	-	-	(7,175)
Support Services:				
Pupils	2,551,391	2,103,342	231,990	(216,059)
Instructional Staff	1,817,213	1,301,487	393,030	(122,696)
Board of Education	15,985	-	-	(15,985)
Administration	693,356	-	-	(693,356)
Fiscal	197,467	-	-	(197,467)
Business	14,158	-	-	(14,158)
Operation and Maintenance				
of Plant	127,629	-	-	(127,629)
Central	32,316			(32,316)
Total	\$ 6,704,126	4,426,362	728,391	(1,549,373)
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		Total G	eneral Revenues	1,011,894
		Chang	e in Net Position	(537,479)
	Net Position, Begi	inning of Year		2,049,732
	Net Position, End	of Year	\$	1,512,253

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2013

	_	General Fund	Nonmajor vernmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
ASSETS:		_	 _		
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$	1,330,897	\$ 26,634	\$	1,357,531
Restricted Cash and Investments		453,216	-		453,216
Receivables:					
Intergovernmental		128,841	212,711		341,552
Interfund		144,783			144,783
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	2,057,737	\$ 239,345	\$	2,297,082
LIABILITIES:					
Accounts Payable	\$	22,830	\$ 946	\$	23,776
Accrued Wages and Benefits		670,437	20,981		691,418
Intergovernmental Payable		134,800	14,684		149,484
Interfund Payable		-	144,783		144,783
Matured Compensated Absences		16,677	 		16,677
Total Liabilities		844,744	 181,394		1,026,138
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:					
Unavailable Revenue		-	27,992		27,992
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	_	-	27,992		27,992
FUND BALANCES:					
Restricted for:					
Local Grant Programs		48,917	3,631		52,548
State and Federal Grant Programs		-	79,325		79,325
State Mandates		453,216	-		453,216
Assigned for:					
Subsequent Expenditures		109,154	-		109,154
Future Occupancy Cost		203,667	_		203,667
Future Severance Cost		44,016	-		44,016
Unassigned		354,023	 (52,997)		301,026
Total Fund Balances		1,212,993	 29,959		1,242,952
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources,					
and Fund Balances	\$	2,057,737	\$ 239,345	\$	2,297,082

Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Position of Governmental Activities June 30, 2013

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 1,242,952
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 not reported in the funds.	415,883
Certain other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. Intergovernmental grants receivable	27,992
Long-term liabilities which are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. Compensated absences payable Capital leases payable	 (102,084) (72,490)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 1,512,253

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013

	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:			
Intergovernmental	\$ 1,461,243		
Tuition and Fees	355,684		,
Charges for Services	3,640,888		
Interest	1,489		1,489
Miscellaneous	269,862	750	270,612
Total Revenues	5,729,166	414,373	6,143,539
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	3,394	15,565	18,959
Special	1,174,978	-	1,174,978
Vocational	75,956	-	75,956
Other	7,175	-	7,175
Support Services:			
Pupils	2,366,677	193,786	2,560,463
Instructional Staff	1,585,186	249,614	1,834,800
Board of Education	15,985	-	15,985
Administration	707,155	-	707,155
Fiscal	195,617	-	195,617
Business	5,044	-	5,044
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	106,047	-	106,047
Central	31,639	677	32,316
Debt Service:			
Principal	84,786	<u> </u>	84,786
Total Expenditures	6,359,639	459,642	6,819,281
Net Change in Fund Balances	(630,473	(45,269	(675,742)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	1,843,466	75,228	1,918,694
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 1,212,993	\$ 29,959	\$ 1,242,952

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013

Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ (675,742)
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 are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the net difference between capital outlay and depreciation expense in the current period. Current year depreciation	(41,722)
	(11,722)
Revenue reported in the statement of activities that does not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenue in the funds. Intergovernmental	23,108
Repayment of capital lease obligation principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term obligations in the statement of net position.	84,786
Long-term compensated absences are reported as expenses in the statement of activities; however, as these long-term obligations payable do not require the use of current financial resources, they are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.	 72,091
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ (537,479)

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NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORTING ENTITY

The Clark County Educational Service Center (the Educational Service Center) is located in Springfield, Ohio, the county seat. The Educational Service Center operates under a locally elected five-member Board form of government and provides educational services by state and federal agencies. The Board controls the Educational Service Center's 52 support staff employees and 54 certified employees who provide services to the staff and students of the six local school districts within Clark County.

The Educational Service Center was established in 1914 in response to recommendations from the Ohio State School Survey Commission. Senate Bill 9, passed on February 4, 1914, provided for the standardization of schools and established the county educational service centers.

Since 1914, county superintendents have been involved in various areas of administration and performed many services, which include, but are not limited to the following: cooperative programs, supervision, liaison between local school districts and the Ohio Department of Education, health insurance programs, and special education services. Many of those services have been initiated by the county office of education without being legislatively mandated.

The Educational Service Center consists of five elected board members, a superintendent, a treasurer, and employees. The Clark County Educational Service Center is a chartered school district and was chartered July 21, 1989 by the State Board of Elections.

The Educational Service Center serves six local school districts: Greenon Local, Northeastern Local, Northwestern Local, Southeastern Local, Clark-Shawnee Local and Tecumseh Local. It also works with the Springfield-Clark County Career Technology Center in the areas of in-service of administrators. Springfield City Schools and the Educational Service Center have entered into a city/county agreement to provide services in designated areas.

Under Senate Bill 140, county educational service centers are required to appoint business advisory councils. The Educational Service Center has appointed a Business Advisory Council, which is strictly voluntary on the part of the members. There is no financial responsibility of the Educational Service Center for this council. The Business Advisory Council has evolved and merged with the Aspire P-16 Council to promote education from preschool through college/technical school. This consolidated group then joined with the Clark County Chamber of Commerce's "Moving Forward Student Achievement Committee" as many business groups were involved in both committees with the same goals of the best education for all students of Clark County that will be the future of this County's workforce.

Reporting Entity

The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements of the Educational Service Center are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds and departments, not legally separate from the Educational Service Center. For the Educational Service Center, this includes all general operations.

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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 body 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 for which the Educational Service Center approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. The Educational Service Center does not have any component units.

The Educational Service Center is associated with five organizations, which are defined as jointly governed and three insurance purchasing pools. These organizations include the Miami Valley Educational Computer Association, the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Cooperative, the Clark County Family and Children First Council, the Springfield-Clark County Career Technology Center, Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association, the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Worker's Compensation Group Rating Plan, the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Medical Benefits Plan and the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority. Information about these organizations is presented in Notes 13 and 14 to the basic financial statements

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Clark County 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 statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the Educational Service Center at year-end. The government-wide 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 and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular program. Revenues not classified as program

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revenues are presented as general revenues of the Educational Service Center, with certain limited exceptions. 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 year, the Educational Service Center segregates transactions related to certain 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 rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

B. Fund Accounting

The Educational Service Center uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain functions or activities. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. All of the Educational Service Center's funds are classified as governmental funds.

Governmental Funds

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 versus liabilities and deferred inflows of resources is reported as fund balance. The Educational Service Center's major fund is:

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund is available to the Educational Service Center for any purpose provided it is expended or 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 uses are restricted to a particular purpose.

C. Measurement Focus

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the Educational Service Center are included on the Statement of 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, current liabilities, and current deferred inflow of resources 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.

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. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred revenue and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

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 collectible within the current fiscal year or 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.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the Educational Service Center receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On an accrual basis, 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 fiscal 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 non-exchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

In applying the susceptible to accrual concept under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are deemed to be both measurable and available: tuition and fees, intergovernmental grants, and charges for services.

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are recorded as unearned revenue. On governmental fund financial statements, receivables that will not be collected within the available period have also been reported as unavailable deferred inflows of resources.

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The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are recorded when the related liability is incurred, if measurable. The costs of accumulated unpaid vacation and sick leave are reported as fund liabilities in the period in which they will be liquidated with available financial resources rather than in the period earned by the employee. Allocation of costs, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in governmental funds.

The accrual basis of accounting utilized on the government-wide financial statements recognizes revenues when they are earned, and expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

E. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Educational Service Center is pooled in a central bank account. Monies for all funds are pooled in this account. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Educational Service Center's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented on the balance sheet as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments".

During fiscal year 2013, the Educational Service Center's investments were limited to funds invested in certificates of deposit as well as the State Treasury Assets Reserves of Ohio (STAR Ohio). STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2013.

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 2013 amounted to \$1,489 which includes \$63 assigned from other Educational Service Center funds.

For presentation on the statement of net position and the governmental fund's balance sheet, investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Educational Service Center are considered to be cash equivalents.

F. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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.

G. Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position may 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 then. For the Educational Service Center, deferred inflows of resources include unavailable revenues, which consists of grants receivables that will not be collected within the available period. Unavailable revenue is reported only on the governmental fund balance sheet and represents receivables which will not be collected within the available period.

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H. Capital Assets and Depreciation

General capital assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported within the governmental activities on the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the fund statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements throughout the year. The Educational Service Center's capitalization threshold is \$1,000. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Educational Service Center does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

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.

Description	Estimated
	Lives
Buildings and Improvements	10-40 years
Equipment	5-15 years
Vehicles	8 years

I. Compensated Absences

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the 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 leave time when earned, for all employees with more than one year of service.

A liability for sick leave is accrued using the vesting method which states that the Educational Service Center will estimate its liability based on sick leave accumulated at the end of the fiscal year by those employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments as specified by the retirement system as well as other employees who are expected to become eligible in the future to receive such payments. The amount is based on accumulated sick 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 sick leave for all employees after ten years of current service with the Educational Service Center.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements. For governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are reported as liabilities and expenditures to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements.

J. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

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

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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, principal payment on capital leases and compensated absences liability that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they have matured and are due for payment.

K. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net investment 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, or regulations of other governments.

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

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 the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

<u>Nonspendable</u> – nonspendable fund balance 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" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

<u>Restricted</u> – 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.

<u>Committed</u> – committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Educational Service Center's governing board. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the governing board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

<u>Assigned</u> – 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. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended use established by the Educational Service Center's governing board.

<u>Unassigned</u> – unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

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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 amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used. For the year ended June 30, 2013, the Educational Service Center did not report any fund balances meeting the definition of nonspendable or committed.

NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes require the classification of monies held by the Educational Service Center into three categories.

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

Inactive monies are public deposits that the Educational Service Center has identified as not required for use with the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive monies may be deposited or invested as certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or as 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 the certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit, or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Protection of the Educational Service Center's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the treasurer by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public money deposited with the institution.

Interim monies may be invested in the following obligations:

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;

Bonds, notes, debentures, or other obligations or securities 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 governmental agencies or instrumentalities;

Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;

Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;

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No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) of this section and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;

The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);

Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the date of purchase in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time;

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.

Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Educational Service Center's deposits may not be returned to it. Protection of the Educational Service Center's cash and deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as well as qualified securities pledged by the institution holding the assets. By law, financial institutions must collateralize all public deposits. The face value of the pooled collateral must equal at least 105 percent of public funds deposited. Collateral is held by trustees including the Federal Reserve Bank and designated third parties of the financial institution.

At fiscal year end, the carrying amount of the Educational Service Center's deposits was \$959,226 and the bank balance was \$1,219,488. Of the bank balance \$459,615 was covered by federal deposit insurance and the remaining \$759,873 was exposed to custodial credit risk as it was collateralized with pooled securities held by a trustee of the pledging institution.

Investments

The Educational Service Center's only investment at June 30, 2013 was in STAR Ohio, an investment pool operated by the Ohio State Treasurer. STAR Ohio is an uninsured and uncollateralized investment since it is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. STAR Ohio had a fair value of \$851,521 at June 30, 2013 and was rated AAAm by Standard and Poors.

NOTE 4 – STATE FUNDING

The Educational Service Center is funded by the State Department of Education for the cost of Part (A) of their Budget. This funding is provided from State resources.

Part (B) of the budget is provided by the school districts to which the Educational Service Center provides services and by the State Department of Education. Each school district's portion is determined by multiplying the average daily membership of the school district (the total number of students enrolled) by \$6.50. This amount is deducted by the State Department of Education from that school district's resources provided under the State's Foundation Program. The Department of Education's portion is determined by multiplying the sum of the average daily memberships of all of the school districts served by the Educational Service Center. For fiscal year 2013 the funding for educational service centers was \$37.00 per student.

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If additional funding is needed, and if a majority of the Boards of Educations of the school districts served by the Educational Service Center approve, the cost of Part (B) of the budget can be increased. The portion that is in excess of the original funding calculation is shared by all of the school districts served by the Educational Service Center through additional reductions in their resources provided through the State Foundation program. The State Board of Education initiates and supervises the procedure under which the school districts approve or disapprove the additional apportionment.

NOTE 5 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2013, consisted of amounts due on a federal educational grant as well as from school districts for services provided. All receivables are considered collectible in full and consisted of the following amounts as of June 30, 2013:

Amounts due from local school districts for services provided	\$ 128,841
Amount due on educational grants:	
Teach Ohio Grant	123,509
Strengthening Families Grant	47,732
Parent Mentor	21,338
Early Childhood Special Education	 20,132
Total Grant Receivable	 212,711
Total Intergovernmental Receivable	\$ 341,552

NOTE 6 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	7/1/2013	13 Increase Decrease		6/30/2013
Capital Assets, being depreciated				
Buildings and Improvements	\$ 476,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 476,000
Furniture and Equipment	223,192	-	-	223,192
Vehicles	21,980			21,980
	721,172			721,172
Less: Accumulated Depreciation				
Buildings and Improvements	95,200	19,040	-	114,240
Furniture and Equipment	148,585	22,682	-	171,267
Vehicles	19,782			19,782
	263,567	41,722 *		305,289
Governmental Activities Capital				
Assets, Net	\$ 457,605	\$ (41,722)	\$ -	\$ 415,883

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* - Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Instruction:	
Special	\$ 1,799
Support Services:	
Pupil Support	1,464
Instructional Support	3,090
Administration	2,850
Fiscal	2,153
Business	8,784
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	 21,582
Total Depreciation Expense	\$ 41,722

NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Property and Liability

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 2013, the Educational Service Center joined together with other school districts in Ohio to participate in the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA), a member-owned insurance consortium pool. Each individual school district pays annual premiums determined by SORSA to be sufficient to provide for anticipated claims (See Note 14). SORSA utilizes commercial insurance companies to provide reinsurance coverage for all claims exceeding \$100,000 for property and automobile physical damage coverage and \$250,000 for third-party liability coverage. For equipment breakdown coverage SORSA reinsures 100 percent of this exposure and does not retain any level of self-insurance. There is not a deductible for most claims. Insurance coverage provided includes the following:

Fleet Liability	\$12,000,000
Auto Medical Payments	5,000
Uninsured Motorists	1,000,000
Education General Liability:	
Each Occurrence	12,000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury Limit – Each Offense	12,000,000
Fire Damage Limit – Any One Event	500,000
Medical Expense - Any One Person/Each Accident	5,000/25,000
General Aggregate Limit	14,000,000
Products – Completed Operations Limit	12,000,000
Employee Benefits Liability:	
Each Offense	12,000,000
Employer's Liability and Stop Gap:	
Each Occurrence	12,000,000
Disease-Each Employee	12,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the last fiscal year.

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B. Workers' Compensation

For fiscal year 2013, the Educational Service Center participated in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 14). The plan is intended 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. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the GRP. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "Equity Pooling Fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Integrated Comp Incorporated provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

C. Medical Benefits

For fiscal year 2013, the Educational Service Center participated in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Medical Benefits Plan (MBP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 14). The intent of the MBP is to achieve the benefit of reduced health insurance premiums for the Educational Service Center by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the MBP. The health insurance experience of the participants gschool districts is calculated and a premium rate is applied to all school districts in the MBP. Each participant pays its health insurance premiums to the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council (SOEPC). Participation in the MBP is limited to school districts that can meet the MBP's selection criteria.

NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

A. School Employees Retirement System

The Educational Service Center contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement and 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 writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3476 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS' website, www.ohsers.org, under *Employers/Audit Resources*.

Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Educational Service Center is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended, up to a statutory maximum amount, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The Retirement Board acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund) of the System. For fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the allocation to pension and death benefits is 13.10 percent. The remaining .90 percent of the 14.0 employer contribution rate is allocated to the Health Care and Medicare B Funds. The Educational Service Center's contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011 were \$182,487, \$167,235, and \$164,014, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

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B. State Teachers Retirement System

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 may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3371 or by calling (614) 227-4090, 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 times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on member contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds times 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 Combined Plan offers features of both the DC Plan and the DB 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. DC and Combined Plan members will transfer to the Defined Benefit Plan during their fifth year of membership unless they permanently select the DC or Combined Plan. Existing members with less than five years of service credit as of June 30, 2001, were given the option of making a one-time irrevocable decision to transfer their account balances from the existing DB Plan into the DC Plan or the Combined Plan. This option expired on December 31, 2001. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years credited service who becomes disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible spouses and dependents of these active members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Educational Service Center was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The Educational Service Center's contributions for pension obligations for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2013, 2012, and 2011 were \$454,716, \$384,288, and \$355,477, respectively, equal to required contributions for each year. Member and employer contributions actually made for defined contribution and combined plan participants will be provided upon written request.

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 have an option to choose Social Security or the SERS/STRS. As of June 30, 2013, two out of the five members of the Governing Board have elected social security. The Educational Service Center's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

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NOTE 9 – POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Educational Service Center provides comprehensive health care benefits to retired teachers and their dependents through the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) and to retired non-certified employees and their dependents through the School Employees Retirement System (SERS).

A. School Employees Retirement System

The School Employees Retirement System (SERS) administers two postemployment benefit plans, Medicare Part B and Health Care Plans.

The Medicare Part B plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries as set forth in Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 3309.69. Qualified benefit recipients who pay Medicare Part B premiums may apply for and receive a monthly reimbursement from SERS. The reimbursement amount is limited by statute to the lesser of the January 1, 1999 Medicare Part B premium or the current premium. The Medicare Part B monthly premium for calendar year 2013 was \$104.90 for most participants, but could be as high as \$335.70 per month depending on their income. SERS' reimbursement to retirees was \$45.50.

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

The ORC provides the statutory authority to fund SERS' postemployment benefits through employer contributions. Active members do not make contributions to the postemployment benefit plans.

The SERS Retirement Board establishes the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status. The financial reports of SERS' Health Care and Medicare B plans are included in its *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. The report can be obtained by contacting SERS, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under *Employers/Audit Resources*.

The Health Care Fund was established under, and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code 105(e). Each year after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer 14 percent contribution to the Health Care Fund. For the year ended June 30, 2013, the health care allocation is .16 percent. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2013, the minimum compensation level was established at \$20,525. The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The amount of the Educational Service Center's contributions to SERS allocated to the Health Care Plan for the years ended June 30, 2013, 2012, and 2011 were \$14,137, \$24,139, and \$38,669, respectively.

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The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For 2013, this actuarially required allocation was 0.74 percent of covered payroll. The Educational Service Center's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2013, 2012, and 2011 were \$9,646, \$8,959, and \$8,904, respectively, which equaled the required contributions each year.

B. School Teachers Retirement System

STRS Ohio administers a pension plan that is comprised of: a defined benefit plan; a self-directed defined contribution plan and a combined plan which is a hybrid of the defined benefit and defined contribution plan. Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer a cost-sharing, multiple-employer health care plan. STRS Ohio provides access to health care coverage to eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined plans. Coverage under the current program includes hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report. Interested parties can view the most recent *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report* by visiting www.strsoh.org or by requesting a copy by calling toll-free 1-888-227-7877.

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 2013, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to one percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The Educational Service Center's contributions for health care for the years ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011 were \$32,480, \$27,449, and \$25,391, respectively.

NOTE 10 – OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A. Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vacation, personal and sick leave benefits are derived from Board policy and State laws. All twelve month certified employees earn twenty days of vacation per fiscal year, eleven month certified employees earn fifteen days of vacation per fiscal year and ten month certified employees earn ten days of vacation per fiscal year. Certified employees working less than ten months do not earn vacation time.

Support staff employees earn ten days of vacation after one year of service; after eight years of service they earn fifteen days of vacation; with fifteen years of service they earn twenty days of vacation and after twenty-five years of service they earn twenty-five days of vacation per year. Accumulated, unused vacation must be used by December of the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which it is earned.

All employees earn three days of personal leave per fiscal year. Accumulated, unused personal leave does not carry beyond the contract in which it is earned.

All employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of 250 days for all personnel. Upon retirement, payment is made for one-fifth of accrued, but unused sick leave credit to a maximum of 45 days for all employees. Directors with two years experience with the Educational Service Center are eligible to be paid a maximum of 56 days of unused sick leave upon retirement.

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B. Insurance Benefits

The Educational Service Center provides life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance to most employees through Medical Life Insurance Company. Medical/surgical benefits are provided by United Health Care through Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Medical Benefits Plan (MBP) (See Note 14). The employees' are required to contribute 20 percent of the premiums for medical/surgical benefits.

C. Pick-Up of Employees' Share of Retirement

The Educational Service Center contributes 14 percent of the employee wages to the State Teachers' Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) and the School Employees Retirement System (SERS). The remaining 10 percent is paid by the employee with the exception of fully paid retirement for the Superintendent, Treasurer, and selected administrators as defined by their respective contracts.

NOTE 11 - CAPITAL LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE

In July 2007, the Educational Service Center entered into an agreement with the Clark County Board of County Commissioners for the lease-purchase of certain property to use for administrative offices and operational space. The agreement called for an initial payment of \$60,000 in September 2007, and quarterly payments of \$17,333 for a period of six years, with no provision for interest. The total consideration paid for the property was \$476,000 with ownership of the property being conveyed to the Educational Service Center after completion of all payments. In addition, and in prior years, the Educational Service Center entered into various capitalized leases for the purchase of equipment. These leases meet the criteria of a capital lease as defined by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 13, "Accounting for Leases", which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee. This lease agreement is reported in the General Fund as other financing source; inception of capital lease. No new leases in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

The capital assets acquired by lease have been capitalized in the statement of net position totaling \$476,000 and \$81,332 for buildings and equipment, respectively, which is equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. A corresponding liability is reported on the statement of net position. Principal payments in fiscal year 2013 totaled \$84,786.

The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the capital leases and the present value of the minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2013.

	Fiscal Year	
<u>.</u>	Ending June 30,	
	2014	49,307
	2015	14,640
	2016	 8,543
Total Minimum Lease Payments		72,490
Less: Amount Representing Interest		
Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments		\$ 72,490

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NOTE 12 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The changes in the Educational Service Center's long-term obligations during fiscal year 2013 were as follows:

	Balance <u>7/1/2012</u>	Increase	Decrease	Balance 6/30/2013	Due within One Year
Compensated Absences Capital Lease Obligations	\$ 174,175 <u>157,276</u>	\$ 38,316	\$ 93,730 84,786	\$ 118,761 <u>72,490</u>	\$ 29,741 49,307
Total Long-Term Obligations	\$ 331,451	\$ 38,316	\$ 178,516	\$ 191,251	\$ 79,048

Compensated absences will be paid from the funds from which the employees' salaries are paid. Capital leases will continue to be paid from the General Fund.

NOTE 13 – JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

Miami Valley Educational Computer Association

The Educational Service Center is a participant in the Miami Valley Educational Computer Association (MVECA) which is a computer consortium. MVECA is an association of public schools within the boundaries of Clark, Clinton, Fayette, Greene and Highland Counties and Cities of Springfield, Wilmington, Washington Court House, Xenia and Hillsboro. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to administrative and instructional functions among member districts.

The governing board of MVECA consists of five Superintendents and two Treasurers of member school districts, with four of the five Superintendents and both Treasurers elected by a majority vote of all member school districts except the Greene County Career Center. The fifth Superintendent is from the Greene County Career Center. The Educational Service Center paid MVECA \$15,399 for services provided during the year. Financial information can be obtained from Thor Sage, who serves as Director, at 330 East Enon Road, Yellow Springs, Ohio 45387.

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Cooperative

The Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Cooperative (SOEPC) is a purchasing cooperative made up of nearly 100 school districts in 12 counties. The purpose of the cooperative is to obtain prices for quality merchandise and services commonly used by schools. All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges, or other assessments established by the SOEPC.

Each member district has one voting representative. Title to any and all equipment, furniture and supplies purchased by the SOEPC is held in trust for the member districts. Any district withdrawing from the SOEPC forfeits its claim to any and all SOEPC assets. One year prior notice is necessary for withdrawal from the group. During this time, the withdrawing member is liable for all member obligations. Payments to SOEPC are made from the general fund. During fiscal year 2013, the Educational Service Center paid \$300 to the SOEPC. To obtain financial information, write to the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council, Ken Swink, who serves as Director, at 303 Corporate Center Drive, Vandalia, Ohio 45377.

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Clark County Family and Children First Council

The Clark County Family and Children First Council (the Council) is a voluntary association established to coordinate and integrate those services within Clark County which are available for families and children and to establish a comprehensive, coordinated, multi-disciplinary, interagency system for the delivery of such services in order to more effectively meet the needs of each of the members of the Council. The Board of Trustees is comprised of eighteen representatives of each of the members of the Council, including the Superintendents of the Clark County schools. All members are obligated to pay all dues as established by the Council to aid the financing of the operations and programs of the Council. Any member withdrawing from the Council must give one hundred eighty days written notice to the Council after formal action of the member's governing board. To obtain financial information, write to the Clark County Family and Children First Council, Leslie Crew, who serves as Executive Director, at 1345 Lagonda Road, Springfield, Ohio 45502.

Springfield-Clark County Career Technology Center

The Springfield-Clark County Career Technology Center (the Center) is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of one representative from each of the seven participating school districts' elected boards, which possess its own budgeting and taxing authority. One member is appointed from the following: Clark-Shawnee Local School District, Greenon Local School District, Northeastern Local School District, Northeastern Local School District, Tecumseh Local School District, and the Educational Service Center. One member is appointed from the Springfield City School District. To obtain financial information, write to the Springfield-Clark County Career Technology Center, Anthony Fraley, who serves as Treasurer, 1901 Selma Road, Springfield, Ohio 45505-4329.

Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association

The Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association (SOITA) is a non-profit corporation organized to serve the educational needs of the area through television programming for the advancement of educational programs. The Board of Trustees is comprised of twenty-one representatives of SOITA member schools or institutions. Nineteen representatives are elected from within the counties by the qualified members within the counties, i.e. Auglaize, Butler, Champaign, Clark, Clinton, Darke, Fayette, Greene, Hamilton, Logan, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, Shelby, and Warren. Montgomery, Greene and Butler Counties elect two representatives per area. All others elect one representative per area. One at-large non-public representative is elected by the non-public school SOITA members from the State assigned SOITA service area. One at-large higher education representative is elected by higher education SOITA members from within the State assigned SOITA service area.

All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges or other assessments as established by SOITA. Upon dissolution, the net position shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Payments to SOITA are made from the General Fund. The Educational Service Center made no contributions to SOITA during the fiscal year. To obtain financial information, write to the Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association, Frank DePalma, who serves as the interim Executive Director, at 150 East Sixth Street, Franklin, Ohio 45505.

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NOTE 14 – INSURANCE PURCHASING POOLS

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

The Educational Service Center participates in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP). The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a fourteen member committee consisting of various EPC representatives that are elected by the general assembly. Either the superintendent or treasurer from each participating school district serves on the general assembly. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Medical Benefits Plan

The Educational Service Center participates in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Medical Benefits Plan (MBP). The MBP's business and affairs are conducted by an eleven member committee consisting of various MBP representatives that are elected by the general assembly. Either the superintendent or treasurer from each participating school district serves on the general assembly. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the MBP to cover the costs of administering the program.

Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority

The Educational Service Center participates in the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA) a risk sharing insurance pool. The pool consists of seventy-six school districts and educational services centers throughout Ohio who pool risk for property, crime, liability, boiler and machinery and public official liability coverage. The Educational Service Center pays an annual premium to SORSA for this coverage. There is no deductible associated with claims for most types of coverage. The self-insured retention by SORSA is \$100,000 for property and automobile physical damage and \$250,000 for third-party liability. Reinsurance is purchased to cover claims exceeding these amounts and for all claims related to equipment breakdown coverage.

NOTE 15 - INTERFUND ACTIVITY

Interfund transactions at June 30, 2013, consisted of the following:

	Interfund	Interfund
	Payable	Receivable
General Fund	\$ -	144,783
Other Governmental Funds	144,783	
	\$ 144,783	144,783

During fiscal year 2013, the Educational Service Center advanced \$144,783 from the General Fund to the following grant funds in order to cover cash until the grants were reimbursed, or in the case of the Family Academy Coordinator Fund, until reimbursed by local school districts for services rendered: Strengthening Families Grant Fund (\$16,507) Family Academy Coordinator Fund (\$9,230), Parent Mentor Grant Fund (\$27,428), Teach Ohio Grant Fund (\$75,067), and the Preschool Grant Fund (\$16,551).

Clark County, Ohio Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013

NOTE 16 - CONTINGENCIES

The Educational Service Center received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and 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. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Educational Service Center at June 30, 2013.

NOTE 17 – DEFICIT FUND BALANCES

At June 30, 2013 the following non-major special revenues funds reported deficit fund balances: Family Academy Coordinator Fund (\$13,923), Parent Mentor Services grant (\$32,049) and the Preschool Grant (\$7,025). The deficits in these funds occurred due to the recognition of certain liabilities for which funding has not yet been provided. Management expects having necessary resources available when the obligations become due in the subsequent fiscal year. The general fund is liable for any deficit in any other fund and provides operating transfers or advances when cash is required, not when accruals occur.

NOTE 18 – CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

For 2013, the Educational Service Center has implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) Statement No. 62, "Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989, FASB and AICPA Pronouncements," Statement No. 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position," Statement No. 65, "Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities," and Statement No.66, "Technical Corrections-2012-and amendment of GASB Statements No. 10 and No. 62".

GASB Statement No. 62 incorporates into GASB's authoritative literature certain FASB and AICPA pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989. The implementation of this statement did not result in any change in the Educational Service Center's financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 63 provides guidance for reporting deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and net position in a statement of financial position and related note disclosures. These changes were incorporated in the Educational Service Center's 2013 financial statements; however, there was no effect on beginning net position/fund balance.

GASB Statement No. 65 properly classifies certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources or recognizes certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities as outflows of resources (expenses or expenditures) or inflows of resources (revenues). These changes were incorporated in the Educational Service Center's 2013 financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 66 resolves conflicting accounting and financial reporting guidance that could diminish the consistency of financial reporting and thereby enhance the usefulness of the financial reports. The implementation of this statement did not result in any change in the Educational Service Center's financial statements.

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP) and Actual General Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget
Revenues:				
Tuition and Fees			\$ 357,015	
Intergovernmental			1,461,243	
Charges for Services			3,765,812	
Interest			1,489	
Miscellaneous			269,862	
Total Revenues			5,855,421	
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular Instruction	\$ 8,291	\$ 8,576	7,099	\$ 1,477
Special Instruction	1,376,546	1,423,881	1,178,661	245,220
Student Intervention Services	88,708	91,759	75,956	15,803
Support Services:				
Pupils	2,746,230	2,840,664	2,351,446	489,218
Instructional Staff	1,859,829	1,923,783	1,592,470	331,313
Board of Education	18,462	19,097	15,808	3,289
Administration:	831,103	859,682	711,628	148,054
Fiscal	311,028	321,723	266,316	55,407
Business	16,176	16,733	13,851	2,882
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	130,916	135,418	112,096	23,322
Central	36,951	38,221	31,639	6,582
Capital Outlay	80,973	83,758	69,333	14,425
Total Expenditures	7,505,213	7,763,295	6,426,303	1,336,992
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(7,505,213)	(7,763,295)	(570,882)	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Advances Out	(143,867)	(143,867)	(143,867)	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ (143,867)	\$ (143,867)	(143,867)	
Net Change in Fund Balance			(714,749)	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year			2,052,617	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated			211,930	
Fund Balance, End of Year			\$ 1,549,798	

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Clark County, Ohio Notes to the Supplementary Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013

Basis of Budgeting

Basis of budgeting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts. The Educational Service Center recognizes transactions when cash is received or disbursed, or when a commitment has been recorded as an encumbrance against an applicable appropriation. Unencumbered fund balance is available for appropriation in the following fiscal year and therefore fund balances shown are unencumbered cash balances. This basis is utilized for all interim financial statements issued during the year.

The basis of budgeting differs from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) used for the Educational Service Center's year-end basic financial statements. Under that basis of accounting, expenses are generally recognized when the Educational Service Center becomes eligible to receive the revenue; the budget basis however, recognizes revenue only when cash has been received. In the basic financial statements, expenditures are generally recognized in the period in which they are incurred. Under the budget basis, expenditures are recognized when cash has been disbursed or when an encumbrance has been placed against an appropriation.

General Budget Policies

The Educational Service Center is not required to follow the budgetary provisions set forth in Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705 as it does not have local tax levies. However, the Governing Board annually adopts an expenditure budget which sets the spending authority, or appropriations, at the individual fund level, for the ensuing year. The Governing Board does not budget revenues.

The primary level of budget control established by the Governing Board is at the fund level. Any budgetary modifications below this amount may be made by management. Any changes in the total appropriations of a fund must be approved by resolution of the Governing Board. During fiscal year 2013 there were several modifications to the permanent appropriation budget approved by the Governing Board. The budget figures which appear in the statement of budgetary comparisons represent the final appropriation amounts.

As part of budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded as the equivalent of expenditures on the non-GAAP budgetary basis in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation and to determine and maintain legal compliance. On the GAAP basis, encumbrances outstanding at fiscal year-end are reported as an assigned of fund balance for subsequent year expenditures for governmental funds.

At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriation and becomes subject to future appropriation. Encumbrance appropriations are carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and are not reappropriated.

While the Educational Service Center is reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balances on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP) and Actual – General Fund presented as supplementary information is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP basis are as follows:

1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).

Clark County, Ohio Notes to the Supplementary Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013

- 2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the fund liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
- 3. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than as an assigned of fund balance (GAAP basis).
- 4. Other financing sources and uses (transfers and advances) are treated as cash inflows and outflows on the budget basis rather than accruals and/or revenues and expenses on the GAAP basis.
- 5. For financial reporting purposes, certain funds are combined with the activity of the General Fund on the GAAP basis. However, on the budget basis separate individual budgets are adopted for each respective fund.

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statements to the budgetary basis schedule for the General Fund.

Net Change in Fund Balance General Fund

GAAP Basis	\$ (630,473)
Revenue Accruals	126,255
Expenditure Accruals	123,549
Encumbrances	(190,299)
Net Advances	(143,867)
Budget Perspective Difference	 86
Budget Basis	\$ (714,749)

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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

Clark County Educational Service Center Clark County 25 West Pleasant Street Springfield, Ohio 45506

To the Board of Education:

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 Clark County Educational Service Center, Clark County, (the Center) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Center's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 5, 2015, wherein we noted the Center adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standard No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position* and No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the 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 opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Center's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting, that we consider a material weakness.

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 a 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 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. We consider finding 2014-001 described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be a material weakness.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the 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 Center's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Center's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Dave Yost Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

May 5, 2015

CLARK COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER CLARK COUNTY

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2014 AND 2013

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

FINDING NUMBER 2014-001

Material Weakness - Financial Reporting

Sound financial reporting is the responsibility of the Treasurer and Board and is essential to ensure the information provided to the readers of the financial statements is complete and accurate.

In 2014, one of the Center's foundation payments included the preschool funding for each of the local districts served. Those funds should have been paid to the local districts instead of the Center. The Center's last three foundation settlements were adjusted to correct the overpayment, and each of the settlements reflected a zero distribution to the Center with an insufficient funds adjustment. The insufficient funds adjustment reflected the amount of the settlement that could not be deducted from the Center in full due to insufficient funds. The Center's Treasurer posted each of the settlements' insufficient funds adjustments, totaling \$386,793, as negative receipts. As a result, the Center's intergovernmental revenue and ending cash balance at June 30, 2014 was understated by \$386,793. Because the overpayment was not recouped by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) during 2014, \$386,793 was considered a payable to ODE as of June 30, 2014. Adjustments to the financial statements were required to properly report the ending cash balance and revenue, as well as the liability to ODE.

Additionally, an adjustment in the amount of \$123,509 was made to the financial statements to report a receivable and revenue for the Teach Ohio Program grant at June 30, 2013.

The Center should implement additional procedures to provide assurance of the accuracy of information reported within the financial statements. The adjustments identified during the audit should be reviewed to ensure that similar errors are not reported on the financial statements in subsequent years.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.





CLARK 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.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JUNE 2, 2015