### CONSTELLATION SCHOOLS: COLLINWOOD VILLAGE ACADEMY CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO

### **REGULAR AUDIT**

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014



### **Constellation Schools** "The Right Choice for Parents and a Real Chance for Children!"



### Dave Yost • Auditor of State

Board of Trustees Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy 716 East 156th Street Cleveland, Ohio 44110

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy, Cuyahoga County, prepared by Rea & Associates, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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December 31, 2014

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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

December 15, 2014

To the Board of Trustees Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy 716 East 156<sup>th</sup> Street Cleveland, OH 44110

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (the School), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the School's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the School as of June 30, 2014, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3–7 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### **Other Reporting Required by** *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 15, 2014 on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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

The discussion and analysis of Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy (CVA) financial performance provides an overall review of financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the financial performance of CVA as a whole. Readers should also review the Notes to the Financial Statements and the Financial Statements to enhance their understanding of the financial performance of CVA.

#### **Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2014 include the following:

- The school in its' third year of operations increased enrollment to 102 students serving grades kindergarten through five.
- In total, net position increased \$17,833 which represents a 14.6% increase from 2013. The school received an increase in state basic aid funding and casino taxes and continued to receive Public Charter School Program grant funds.
- Total assets decreased \$54,528 which represents a 26.9% decrease from 2013. This includes decreases in federal grants receivable and net capital assets with increases in cash and accounts receivable.
- Liabilities decreased \$72,361 which represents an 89.7% decrease from 2013. Decreases that occurred in vendors payables were paid upon receipt of the federal grant funds owed the school in the beginning of fiscal year 2014.
- Operating revenues increased \$203,455 which represents a 32.9% increase from 2013. The increase is primarily due to increased enrollment which provided for an increase in state basic aid as well as a full year distribution of Casino tax revenues from the state. Additional funding came from materials fees and food services.
- Operating expenses increased \$78,355 which represents an increase of 8.2% from 2013. Increases occurring in most expense categories are directly related to providing services for an increased student enrollment with decreases in materials, supplies, technology and equipment due to prior year purchases utilizing federal start up grant funds.
- Non-operating revenues decreased \$137,113 which represents a 37.8% decrease from 2013. A decrease in federal Public Charter School Program grant funds occurred due to CVA receiving the final grant draw downs in 2014.

#### Using this Financial Report

This report consists of three parts, Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Financial Statements and the Notes to the Financial Statements. The Financial Statements include a Statement of Net Position; a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position; and a Statement of Cash Flows.

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

#### Statement of Net Position

The Statement of Net Position looks at how well CVA has performed financially through June 30, 2014. This statement includes all of the assets, liabilities and net position using the accrual basis of accounting, which is the accounting method used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all revenues earned and expenses incurred during the year, regardless as to when the cash is received or expended.

The following schedule provides a summary Statement of Net Position for fiscal years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013 for CVA.

	2014	2013	Change	%
Assets				
Cash	\$78,269	\$7,955	\$70,314	883.9%
Other Current Assets	19,706	134,112	(114,406)	-85.3%
Non-Current Assets	258	258	0	0.0%
Capital Assets	50,004	60,440	(10,436)	-17.3%
Total Assets	148,237	202,765	(54,528)	-26.9%
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities	6,580	76,087	(69,507)	-91.4%
Long-Term Liabilities	1,765	4,619	(2,854)	-61.8%
Total Liabilities	8,345	80,706	(72,361)	-89.7%
Net Position				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	45,385	53,170	(7,785)	-14.6%
Unrestricted	94,507	68,889	25,618	37.2%
Total Net Position	\$139,892	\$122,059	\$17,833	14.6%

Net Position increased \$17,833, due primarily to an enrollment increase during 2014. Cash increased \$70,314; accounts receivable increased \$2,681; due from other governments decreased \$117,087 and net capital assets decreased \$10,436 from 2013. Accounts payable decreased \$69,635; interest payable decreased \$16; unearned revenue (previously deferred revenues) decreased \$58 and leases payable decreased \$2,652 from 2013.

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

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position reports operating and nonoperating activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

The following schedule provides a summary of the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position for CVA for fiscal years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013.

	2014	2013	Change	%
Revenues				
Foundation and Poverty Based				
Assistance Revenues	\$796,495	\$607,835	\$188,660	31.0%
Other Operating Revenues	25,102	10,307	14,795	143.5%
Total Operating Revenues	821,597	618,142	203,455	32.9%
Federal and State Grants	225,245	362,023	(136,778)	-37.8%
Private Grants and Contributions	0	335	(335)	-100.0%
Total Non-Operating Revenues	225,245	362,358	(137,113)	-37.8%
Total Revenues	1,046,842	980,500	66,342	6.8%
Expenses				
Salaries	384,566	345,441	39,125	11.3%
Fringe Benefits	111,756	94,420	17,336	18.4%
Purchased Services	386,609	281,200	105,409	37.5%
Materials and Supplies	29,646	133,918	(104,272)	-77.9%
Capital Outlay	52,118	64,939	(12,821)	-19.7%
Depreciation and Amortization	18,939	15,072	3,867	25.7%
Other Expenses	45,375	15,664	29,711	189.7%
Total Expenses	1,029,009	950,654	78,355	8.2%
Changes in Net Position	17,833	29,846	(12,013)	-40.2%
Net Position: Beginning of the				
Year	122,059	92,213	29,846	32.4%
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Net Position: at End of Year	\$139,892	\$122,059	\$17,833	14.6%

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

Net Position increased in both fiscal years 2014 and 2013 for a combined net increase. These combined increases are due to enrollment increases, federal entitlement grants and collection of federal public school program funds. Although certain expenditures such as salaries will increase as the number of classes increase, other costs remain fixed such as facilities costs resulting in more efficient operations.

The most significant change in revenues from 2013 to 2014 are increases of \$185,519 in State Foundation funding due to enrollment increases and \$3,141 in Casino tax revenues. A decrease in federal grants totaling \$137,252 occurred due to drawing down the final public charter school program grants funds allocated to the school. Other increases occurred in collections of materials fees, student food service payments; miscellaneous income and other state grants with decreases in contributions.

Most categories of expense increased from 2013 to 2014 due entirely to the increase in enrollment plus the use of federal charter school program funds. Salaries and Fringe Benefits increased \$56,461 due to staff increases and annual increases. Purchased services increased \$105,409 due to increases in instructional services, student support services, administrative expenses, facility costs and food services. Materials and Supplies decreased \$104,272 due to significant prior year's purchases of instruction supplies, testing materials, software and text books with federal grants funds for current and future enrollment growth. Capital Outlay decreased \$12,821 due to prior year's purchases of classroom and administrative technology, furniture and equipment purchases with federal grant funds. Depreciation increased \$3,867 as a direct result additional capital purchases during the year. Other Expenses increased \$29,711 due to increases in insurance premiums and other miscellaneous expenses.

#### **Capital Assets**

As of June 30, 2014, CVA had \$50,004 invested in technology, software, furniture and equipment, net of depreciation. This is a \$10,436 decrease from June 30, 2013.

The following schedule provides a summary of Capital Assets as of June 30, 2014 and 2013 for CVA:

2014	2013	Change	%
on)			
\$18,340	\$27,069	(\$8,729)	-32.2%
31,664	33,371	(1,707)	-5.1%
\$50,004	\$60,440	(\$10,436)	-17.3%
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For more information on capital assets see the Notes to the Financial Statements.

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

#### **Current Financial Issues**

Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy opened in August 2011. The school has grown from 59 students, 6 teaching staff members and expenses of \$721,949 to a total of 102 students, 10 teaching staff members and expenses of \$1,029,009. The school currently serves students in grades kindergarten through five.

As the nation continues to recover from a major economic downturn, the Board of Directors, school management and school staff have worked diligently to ensure that the school maintains the high level of educational services and financial integrity that we have always provided. Our goal is to provide a strong educational product for our students and families and to maintain the reputation we have developed during our previous years.

#### Contacting the School's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our constituents with a general overview of the finances for CVA and to show accountability for the monies it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information please contact Thomas F. Babb, M.A., CPA, by mail at Constellation Schools LLC, 5730 Broadview Road, Parma, Ohio 44134; by e-mail at <u>babb.thomas@constellationschools.com</u>; by calling 216.712.7600; or by faxing 216.712.7601.

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#### Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy Cuyahoga County, Ohio Statement of Net Position As of June 30, 2014

<u>Assets:</u> <u>Current Assets:</u>	
Cash	\$78,269
Accounts Receivable	2,992
Due from Other Governments	16,714
Total Current Assets	97,975
Non-Current Assets:	
Security Deposit	258
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	50,004
Total Non-Current Assets	50,262
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Total Assets	148,237
Liabilities:	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	2,928
Interest Payable	28
Unearned Revenue	770
Capital Lease Equipment Payable	2,854
Total Current Liabilities	6,580
Long Term Liabilities:	
Capital Lease Equipment Payable	1,765
Total Long Term Liabilities	1,765
Total Liabilities	8,345
Net Position:	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	45,385
Unrestricted	94,507
Total Net Position	\$139,892

Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy	,
Cuyahoga County, Ohio	
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and	
Changes in Net Position	
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014	

Operating Revenues:	
Foundation and Poverty Based Assistance Revenues	\$796,495
Other Operating Revenues	25,102
Total Operating Revenues	821,597
Operating Expenses:	
Salaries	384,566
Fringe Benefits	111,756
Purchased Services	386,609
Materials and Supplies	29,646
Capital Outlay	52,118
Depreciation	18,939
Other Operating Expenses	44,943
Total Operating Expenses	1,028,577
Operating Loss	(206,980)
Non-Operating Revenues & (Expenses):	
Interest Expense	(432)
Federal and State Grants	225,245
Total Non-Operating Revenues & Expenses	224,813
Change in Net Position	17,833
Net Position at Beginning of the Year	122,059
Net Position at End of Year	\$139,892

#### Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy Cuyahoga County, Ohio Statement of Cash Flows For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

#### Increase (Decrease) in Cash:

#### **Cash Flows from Operating Activities:**

Cash Received from State of Ohio Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services Cash Payments to Employees for Services Other Operating Revenues	\$796,095 (694,843) (384,566) 20,634
Net Cash Used for Operating Activities	(262,680)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:	
Federal and State Grants Received	347,589
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	347,589
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:	
Payments for Capital Acquisitions Equipment Lease Principal Payments	(11,495) (2,652)
Equipment Lease Interest Payments	(448)
Net Cash Used for Capital and Related Financing Activities	(14,595)
Net Increase in Cash Cash at Beginning of Year	70,314 7,955
Cash at End of Year	\$78,269

#### Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy Cuyahoga County, Ohio Statement of Cash Flows For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014 (Continued)

Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Used for Operating Activities:	
Operating Loss	(\$206,980)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to <u>Net Cash Used for Operating Activities:</u>	
Depreciation Capital Asset Returned for Refund	18,939 2,992
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:	
(Increase) in Due from Other Governments (Increase) in Accounts Receivable (Decrease) in Accounts Payable Increase in Unearned Revenue	(5,258) (2,681) (69,634) (58)
Total Adjustments	(55,700)
Net Cash Used for Operating Activities	(\$262,680)

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### I. Description of the School and Reporting Entity

Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy (CVA), is a nonprofit corporation established on December 22, 2008 pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapters 3314 and 1702 to maintain and provide a school exclusively for any educational, literary, scientific and related teaching service that qualifies as an exempt organization under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. On October 17, 2012, CVA was issued a determination letter of tax-exempt status with the Internal Revenue Service under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Management is not aware of any course of action or series of events that have occurred that might adversely affect the tax-exempt status of CVA. CVA, which is part of Ohio's education program, is independent of any school district. CVA may sue and be sued, acquire facilities as needed, and contract for any services necessary for the operation of CVA.

CVA was approved for operation under a contract dated May 12, 2011 between the Governing Authority of CVA and Buckeye Community Hope Foundation (BCHF) (the Sponsor). The contract with BCHF has an expiration date of June 30, 2015. Under the terms of the contract BHCF will provide sponsorship services for a fee. See Note XII for further discussion of the sponsor services.

CVA entered into an agreement with Constellation Schools (CS) to provide legal, financial, and business management services for the fiscal year. See Note XII for further discussion of this management agreement.

CVA operates under a five member Board of Directors. The Board is responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract, which include, but are not limited to, state mandated provisions regarding student population, curriculum, academic goals, performance standards, admission standards, and qualification of teachers. The Board of Directors controls CVA instructional facility staffed by ten certificated full time teaching personnel and three support staff who provided services to 102 students. During 2014, the board members for CVA also serve as the board for Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Middle; Constellation Schools: Westside Community School of the Arts; Constellation Schools: Mansfield Community Middle and Constellation Schools: Stockyard Community Middle.

#### II. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### 1. Basis of Presentation

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

#### 2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by its measurement focus. Enterprise accounting uses a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities are included on the Statement of Net Position. Operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total position.

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. CVA prepares financial statements using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded when the exchange takes place. Revenues resulting from non-exchange transactions, in which CVA receives value without directly giving equal value in return, such as grants and entitlements, are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the fiscal year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when the use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which CVA must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which resources are provided to CVA on a reimbursement basis. Expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

#### 3. Change in Accounting Principles

For 2014, CVA has implemented GASB Statement No. 65, "*Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*". GASB Statement No. 65 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as *deferred outflows of resources* or *deferred inflows of resources*, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities and recognizes, as outflows of resources or inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities. GASB Statement No. 65 also provides other financial reporting guidance related to the impact of the financial statement elements *deferred outflows of resources*, such as changes in the

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

determination of the major fund calculations and limiting the use of the term *deferred* in financial statement presentations. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 65 did not have an effect on the financial statements of CVA.

#### 4. Cash

All monies received by CVA are deposited in demand deposit accounts.

#### 5. Budgetary Process

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705.391 CVA prepares and adopts an annual budget which includes estimated revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year and a five year forecast of revenues and expenditures. CVA will from time to time adopt budget revisions as necessary.

#### 6. Due From Other Governments and Accounts Receivable

Monies due CVA for the year ended June 30, 2014 are recorded as Due From Other Governments and as Accounts Receivable. A current asset for the receivable amount is recorded at the time of the event causing the monies to be due.

#### 7. Capital Assets and Depreciation

Capital assets are capitalized at cost and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the dates received. All items with a useful life of one year or greater and a value of \$1,000 or more are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized.

All capital assets are depreciated. Depreciation of building improvements, technology, software, furniture and equipment is computed using the straight line method over their estimated useful lives. Improvements to fixed assets are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets or less. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

Capital Asset Classification	Years
Building Improvements	Up to 5
Technology & Software	3 to 5
Furniture and Equipment	10

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### 8. Intergovernmental Revenues

CVA currently participates in the State Foundation Program, the State Poverty Based Assistance Program and Casino Tax Distribution. Revenues received from these programs are recognized as operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met. CVA also participates in Federal Entitlement Programs, the Federal Lunch Reimbursement Program and various State Grant Programs. State and Federal Grants and Entitlements are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met.

CVA participated in the Federal Public Charter School Program through the Ohio Department of Education. Under this program, CVA was awarded \$200,000 in fiscal year 2013 for program implementation. During fiscal year 2013, \$17,129 was received prior to June 30, 2013 with the remaining \$182,871 received in fiscal year 2014. Revenue received from this program is recognized as non-operating revenue on the accompanying financial statements.

Amounts awarded under the above named programs for the 2014 school year totaled \$1,021,340.

#### 9. **Private Grants and Contributions**

CVA receives grants and contributions from private sources to support the schools programs. Private grants and contributions are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which they are received. CVA did not receive any grants and contributions for the 2014 school year.

#### 10. Compensated Absences

Vacation is taken in a manner which corresponds with the school calendar; therefore, CVA does not accrue vacation time as a liability.

Sick leave benefits are earned at the rate of one and one-quarter day per month and can be accrued up to a maximum of one hundred twenty days. CVA will accept the transfer of sick days from another school district up to the maximum accrual amount. No financial accrual for sick time is made since unused sick time is not paid to employees upon employment termination.

#### 11. Use of Estimates

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### 12. Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. The unearned revenue for CVA consists of materials fees received in the current year which pertains to the next school year.

#### III. Deposits

At fiscal year end June 30, 2014, the carrying amount of CVA' deposits totaled \$78,269 and its bank balance was \$117,070. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosure," as of June 30, 2014, none of the bank balance was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$117,070 was covered by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, CVA will not be able to recover the deposits. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at the Federal Reserve Banks or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of CVA.

#### IV. Purchased Services

Purchased Services include the following:

Instruction	\$45,323
Pupil Support Services	67,628
Staff Development & Support	25,261
Administrative	95,211
Occupancy Costs	113,676
Food Services	38,930
Student Activities	580
Total Purchased Services	\$386,609

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### V. Capital Assets

A summary of capital assets at June 30, 2014 follows:

	Balance 6/30/13	Additions	Deletions	Balance 6/30/14
Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Technology and Software	\$41,275	\$9,358	(\$2,992)	\$47,641
Furniture and Equipment	36,662	2,137	(\$2,002)	38,799
Total Capital Assets	, ,	,		,
Being Depreciated	77,937	11,495	(2,992)	86,440
Less Accumulated Depreciation				
Technology and				
Software	(14,206)	(15,095)	0	(29,301)
Furniture and Equipment	(3,291)	(3,844)	0	(7,135)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(17,497)	(18,939)	0	(36,436)
Total Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated				
Depreciation	\$60,440	(\$7,444)	(\$2,992)	\$50,004

#### VI. Operating Lease

CVA leases its facilities at 716 East 156<sup>th</sup> Street, Cleveland from The Roman Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, St. Mary Parish under a lease agreement that expires June 30, 2015. During 2014 monthly rent was \$6,000 and total rents paid during the fiscal year totaled \$72,000. Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

Year	Lease Payments		
2015	\$72,000		
Total	\$72,000		

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### VII. Capital Equipment Lease Payable

During fiscal year 2012, CVA entered into a four year lease for technology equipment. This lease meets the criteria of a capital lease as defined by accounting standards, which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers the benefits and risks of ownership of the lessee.

Assets of technology equipment totaling \$10,708 have been capitalized. This amount represents the actual purchase price of the equipment and is the same as the net present value of the minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. Principal payments during fiscal year 2014 totaled \$2,652 and interest paid totaled \$448. Future minimum lease payments for principal and interest under the capital lease are as follows:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$2,854	\$245	\$3,099
2016	1,765	44	1,809
Total	\$4,619	\$289	\$4,908

#### VIII. Risk Management

#### 1. **Property and Liability Insurance**

CVA is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. For fiscal year 2014, CVA contracted with Traveler's Property Casualty Company of America for property insurance, The Hanover Insurance Company for liability insurance and errors and omissions insurance and Allamerica Financial Benefit Insurance Company for Automobile insurance.

General property and liability is covered at \$10,000,000 single occurrence limit and \$11,000,000 aggregated. Hired and Non-Owned Vehicles are covered at \$1,000,000 combined single limit of liability. Other coverage includes Employee Crime, School Leaders Errors & Omissions, Sexual Abuse and Misconduct, Electronic Data Processing and Business Interruption. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three years, nor has there been any significant reduction in insurance coverage from the prior year.

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#### 2. Workers' Compensation

CVA makes premium payments to the Ohio Worker's Compensation System for employee injury coverage. There has been one claim filed by CVA employees with the Ohio Worker's Compensation System between January 1, 2010 and June 30, 2014. The total payments made for these claims have been \$513. In the opinion of management, these claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of CVA as June 30, 2014.

#### 3. Employee Medical, Dental, Vision and Life Benefits

CVA provides medical, dental, vision and life insurance benefits to all full time employees. Employees participate in premium payments through pretax payroll deductions. Total insurance benefits paid by CVA for the fiscal year is \$46,373.

#### IX. Defined Benefit Pension Plans

#### 1. State Teachers Retirement System

CVA 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 comprehensive annual financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215-3371, by calling toll-free 1-888-227-7877, or by visiting the STRS website at www.strsoh.org.

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

The DB Plan benefits are established under Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. Any member may retire who has (i) five years of service credit and attained age 60; (ii) 25 years of service credit and attained age 55; or (iii) 30 years of service credit regardless of age. The annual retirement allowance,

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payable for life, is the greater of the "formula benefit" or the "money-purchase benefit" calculation. Under the "formula benefit," the retirement allowance is based on years of credited service and final average salary, which is the average of the members' three highest salary years. The annual allowance is calculated by using a base percentage of 2.2% multiplied by the total number of years of service credit (including Ohio-valued purchased credit) times the final average salary. The 31<sup>st</sup> year of earned Ohio service credit is calculated at 2.5%. An additional one-tenth of a percent is added to the calculation for every year of earned Ohio service over 31 years until 100% of the final average salary is reached. For members with 35 or more years of Ohio contributing service, the first 30 years will be calculated at 2.5% instead of 2.2%. Under the "moneypurchase benefit" calculation, a member's lifetime contributions plus interest at specified rates are matched by an equal amount from other STRS Ohio funds. The total is then divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor to determine the maximum annual retirement allowance. Benefits are increased annually by 3% of the original base amount for DB Plan participants.

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

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

A retiree of STRS Ohio or another Ohio public retirement system is eligible for reemployment following the elapse of two months from the date of retirement. Contributions are made by the reemployed member and employer during reemployment. Upon termination of reemployment or age 65, whichever comes later, the retiree is eligible for an annuity benefit or equivalent lump-sum payment in addition to the original retirement allowance. A reemployed retiree may

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alternatively receive a refund of only member contributions with interest before age 65, once employment is terminated.

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

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

Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendation of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 14% for members and 14% for employers. Contribution requirements and the contributions actually made for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, were 11% of covered payroll for members and 14% for employers. The amount required to fund pension obligations during the year is 13%.

CVA's required contributions for pension obligations for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$43,253, \$39,405 and \$27,647, respectively; 100% has been contributed for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012. Member and employer contributions actually made for DB, DC and Combined Plan participants will be provided upon written request.

#### 2. School Employees Retirement System

CVA contributes to the School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (SERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits; annual cost-of-living adjustments; and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by state statute per Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

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Plan members are required to contribute 10% of their annual covered salary and CVA is required to contribute 14% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended, up to statutory maximum amounts, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The 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 13.10%. The remaining 0.90% of the 14% employer contribution rate is allocated to the Health Care and Medicare B Funds. CVA's contributions to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$7,259, \$5,926 and \$4,908, respectively; 100% has been contributed for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012.

#### X. Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pension Benefits

#### 1. State Teachers Retirement System

Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer a cost-sharing, multiple employer health care plans. STRS Ohio provides access to health care coverage to eligible retirees who participated in the Defined Benefit or Combined Plans. Coverage under the current program includes hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums.

Pursuant to Section 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Retirement Board has discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the associated health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. All benefit recipients, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium.

Under Ohio law funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. Of the 14% employer contribution rate, 1% of covered payroll was allocated to post-employment health care. The 14% employer contribution rate is the maximum rate established under Ohio law. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 CVA's contributions to post-employment health care were \$3,327, \$3,031 and \$2,127, respectively; 100% has been contributed for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012.

#### 2. School Employees Retirement System

In addition to a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan the School Employees Retirement System of Ohio administers two post-employment benefit plans. The Medicare B Plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries as set forth in Ohio Revised Code 3309.69. Qualified benefit recipients who pay Medicare Part B premiums may apply for and receive a monthly reimbursement from SERS. The reimbursement amount is

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limited by statute to the lesser of the January 1, 1999 Medicare Part B premium or the current premium. The Medicare Part B premium for calendar year 2014 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.

The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the current employer contribution rate to the Medicare Part B Fund. For fiscal year 2014 the actuarially required allocation is .76%. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 CVA's contributions to Medicare Part B were \$394, \$313 and \$266, respectively; 100% has been contributed for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012.

Ohio Revised Code 3309.375 and 3309.69 permit SERS to offer health care benefits to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. SERS offers several types of health plans from various vendors, including HMOs, PPOs, 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 Ohio Revised Code provides a statutory authority to fund SERS' postemployment benefits through employee contributions. Active members do not make contributions to the postemployment plans.

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% contribution to the Health Care Fund. For the year ended June 30, 2014 the health care allocation is 0.14%. 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% of that employer's SERS covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5% of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2014, the minimum compensation level was established at \$20,525. The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14% employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 CVA's contributions to the Health Care Plan, including the surcharge were \$990, \$805 and \$1,038, respectively; 7.33% has been contributed for fiscal year 2014 and 100% for fiscal years 2013 and 2012. \$917 representing the unpaid surcharge due for fiscal year 2014 is recorded as a liability within the respective funds.

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#### XI. Contingencies

#### 1. Grants

CVA received financial assistance from Federal and State agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs 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 CVA. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of CVA at June 30, 2014.

#### 2. Enrollment FTE

The Ohio Department of Education conducts reviews of enrollment and full-time equivalency (FTE) calculations made by the schools. These reviews are conducted to ensure the schools are reporting accurate student enrollment data to the State, upon which state foundation funding is calculated. The conclusions of this review could result in state funding being adjusted. Adjustments to the state funding received during fiscal year 2014 are immaterial and are not reflected in the 2014 financial statements but will be included in the financial activity for fiscal year 2015.

#### XII. Sponsorship and Management Agreements

CVA entered into an agreement with Buckeye Community Hope Foundation (BCHF) to provide sponsorship and oversight services as required by law. The agreement is effective until June 30, 2015. Sponsorship fees are calculated as 3% of the Fiscal Year 2014 Foundation payments received by CVA, from the State of Ohio. The total amount due from CVA for fiscal year 2014 was \$23,467, all of which was paid prior to June 30, 2014.

CVA entered into an agreement with Constellation Schools LLC to provide legal, financial, and business management services for fiscal year 2014. The agreement was for a period of one year, effective July 1, 2013. Management fees are calculated as 6.25% of the Fiscal Year 2014 Foundation payments received by CVA from the State of Ohio plus a fixed fee of \$43,325. The total fee cannot exceed twice the fixed fee. The total amount due from CVA for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 was \$86,650. During the 2014 year CS issued credits totaling \$25,000 to CVA to reduce total management fees. After application of the credits, the total amount due from CVA for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 was \$61,650 all of which was paid prior to June 30, 2014.

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#### XIII. Subsequent Event

During July of 2014 CVA obtained a loan to purchase technology equipment in an amount up to \$6,000. As of December 15, 2014 CVA has drawn \$594 of the available lease amount. The loan is scheduled to close to purchases by the end of December after which it will convert to a 48 month loan with an interest rate of 3.99%.



December 15, 2014

To the Board of Trustees Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy 716 East 156<sup>th</sup> Street Cleveland, OH 44110

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Constellation Schools: Collinwood Village Academy, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (the School), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 15, 2014.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

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#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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

Susan Babbett

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

CERTIFIED JANUARY 08, 2015

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