

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – REGULATORY BASIS
AND REPORTS OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR**

**HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. E-008
OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

JUNE 30, 2022

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Education
Harding Independence Charter School District No. E-008
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying combined fund type and account group financial statements-regulatory basis of the Harding Independence Charter School District No. E-008, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma (the School), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter discussed in the "Basis for Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting" section of our report, the combined financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities and fund balances arising from regulatory basis transactions of each fund type and account group of the School, as of June 30, 2022, and the revenues it received and expenditures it paid and encumbered for the year then ended, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Oklahoma State Department of Education as described in Note 1.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" section of our report, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the School, as of June 30, 2022, or the revenues, expenses, and changes in net position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Basis for Opinions

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our report. We are required to be independent of the School and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse and qualified audit opinions.

Basis for Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements referred to above do not include the General Fixed Asset Account Group, which is a departure from the regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Oklahoma State Department of Education. The amount that should be recorded in the General Fixed Asset Account Group is not known.

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

As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, to meet the financial reporting requirements of the Oklahoma State Department of Education, the financial statements are prepared by the School, on the basis of the financial reporting regulations prescribed or permitted by the Oklahoma State Department of Education, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting regulations prescribed or permitted by the Oklahoma State Department of Education as described in Note 1, to meet the financial reporting requirements of the State of Oklahoma; this includes determining that the regulatory basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the School's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the School's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the fund type and account group financial statements-regulatory basis that collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining financial statements-regulatory basis and other supplementary information and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the combined financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the combined financial statements-regulatory basis. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the fund type and account group financial statements within the combined financial statements-regulatory basis and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, except for the financial statements being prepared in compliance with the regulatory basis as prescribed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education as discussed in Note 1, the combining financial statements-regulatory basis and other supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the combined financial statements-regulatory basis as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 10, 2023 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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's 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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**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**

The Honorable Board of Education
Harding Independence Charter School District No. E-008
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the fund type and account group financial statements – regulatory basis of the Harding Independence Charter School District No. E-008, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma (the School), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 10, 2023, which was adverse with respect to the presentation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States because the presentation followed the regulatory basis of accounting for Oklahoma school districts as provided by the Oklahoma State Department of Education. However, our report was qualified because the omission of the general fixed asset account group results in an incomplete presentation with respect to the presentation of financial statements on the regulatory basis of accounting authorized by the Oklahoma State Board of Education.

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) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of School's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of School's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the 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 was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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 entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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

To the Honorable Board of Education
Harding Independence Charter School District No. E-008
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Harding Independence Charter School District No. E-008, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma's (the School) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the School's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022. The School's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the School complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

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

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

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the “Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance” section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed. The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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February 10, 2023

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
DISPOSITION OF PRIOR YEAR'S SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES AND MATERIAL
INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE
JUNE 30, 2022

There were no prior year significant deficiencies or material instances of non-compliance.

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF AUDIT RESULTS, FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
JUNE 30, 2022

Section 1 – Summary of Auditor’s Results:

1. An adverse opinion was issued on the combined financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, and a qualified opinion was issued for the omission of the general fixed asset account group on the combined financial statements in conformity with a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education.
2. The audit did not identify any material weakness and did not report any significant deficiencies not considered to be material weaknesses in the internal controls over financial reporting.
3. The audit disclosed no instances of noncompliance which are material to the financial statements.
4. The audit did not identify any material weaknesses and did not report any significant deficiencies not considered to be material weaknesses in the internal controls over major programs.
5. An unmodified report was issued on the compliance for major programs in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting.
6. The audit disclosed no audit findings which are required to be reported under the Uniform Guidance, 2 CFR 200.516(a).
7. Programs determined to be major are the COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund-ESSER/CARES Act Programs (84.425D, 84.425U), which were not clustered in determination.
8. The dollar threshold used to determine between Type A and Type B programs was \$750,000.
9. The auditee was determined not to be a low-risk auditee.

Section 2 – Findings relating to the financial statements required to be reported in accordance with GAGAS:

NONE

Section 3 – Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards:

NONE

COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – REGULATORY BASIS

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE -
 ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS - REGULATORY BASIS
 JUNE 30, 2022

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES	FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES	TOTALS
	GENERAL FUND	EXPENDABLE TRUST & AGENCY FUNDS	(MEMORANDUM ONLY)
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash & Investments	\$ 1,325,508	344,438	1,669,946
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Liabilities:			
Warrants/checks payable	\$ 329,154		329,154
Encumbrances	234,877		234,877
Funds held for school organizations		159,198	159,198
Total liabilities	564,031	159,198	723,229
Fund Balance:			
Restricted		185,240	185,240
Unassigned	761,477		761,477
Cash fund balances	761,477	185,240	946,717
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 1,325,508	344,438	1,669,946

The notes to the combined financial statements are an integral part of this statement

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES COLLECTED, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN CASH FUND BALANCES
 - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUSTS - REGULATORY BASIS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES <u>GENERAL FUND</u>	FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES <u>GIFTS FUND</u>	TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY) <u>ONLY</u>
Revenues collected:			
Local sources	\$ 569,545	117,840	687,385
State sources	5,222,531		5,222,531
Federal sources	1,791,798		1,791,798
Non-revenue receipts	100		100
Total revenues collected	<u>7,583,974</u>	<u>117,840</u>	<u>7,701,814</u>
Expenditures:			
Instruction	3,628,358	31,896	3,660,254
Support services	3,142,200	125,454	3,267,654
Operation of non-instructional services	351,672		351,672
Other outlays:			
Correcting entry	283		283
Charter school reimbursement	137,561		137,561
Total expenditures	<u>7,260,074</u>	<u>157,350</u>	<u>7,417,424</u>
Excess of revenues collected over (under) expenditures before adjustments to prior year encumbrances	323,900	(39,510)	284,390
Adjustments to prior year encumbrances	<u>4,833</u>	<u>38,964</u>	<u>43,797</u>
Excess of revenues collected over (under) expenditures	328,733	(546)	328,187
Cash fund balances, beginning of year	<u>432,744</u>	<u>185,786</u>	<u>618,530</u>
Cash fund balances, end of year	<u>\$ 761,477</u>	<u>185,240</u>	<u>946,717</u>

The notes to the combined financial statements are an integral part of this statement

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES COLLECTED, EXPENDITURES AND
 CHANGES IN CASH FUND BALANCES - BUDGETED GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES - REGULATORY BASIS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	GENERAL FUND			Prior Year (Memorandum Only)
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	
Revenues Collected:				
Local sources	\$ 362,727	362,727	569,545	876,573
State sources	5,130,450	5,130,450	5,222,531	4,770,820
Federal sources	1,905,653	1,905,653	1,791,798	986,149
Non-revenue receipts			100	
Total revenues collected	7,398,830	7,398,830	7,583,974	6,633,542
Expenditures:				
Instruction	4,183,074	4,183,074	3,628,358	3,888,106
Support services	3,154,000	3,154,000	3,142,200	2,252,356
Operation of non-instruction services	355,000	355,000	351,672	129,778
Other outlays:				
Clearing account				
Correcting entry	500	500	283	
Reimbursement				2,000
Charter school reimbursement	139,000	139,000	137,561	129,251
Total expenditures	7,831,574	7,831,574	7,260,074	6,401,491
Excess of revenues collected over (under) expenditures before adjustments to prior year encumbrances	(432,744)	(432,744)	323,900	232,051
Adjustments to prior year encumbrances	0	0	4,833	29,919
Excess of revenues collected over (under) expenditures	(432,744)	(432,744)	328,733	261,970
Cash fund balance, beginning of year	432,744	432,744	432,744	532,901
Cash fund balance, end of year	\$ 0	0	761,477	794,871

The notes to the combined financial statements are an integral part of this statement

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – REGULATORY BASIS

HARDING IDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
NOTES TO THE COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – REGULATORY BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements of the Harding Independence Charter School No. E-008, (the “School”), have been prepared in conformity with another comprehensive basis of accounting prescribed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education as authorized by Oklahoma Statutes. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements are not intended to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The School’s accounting policies are described in the following notes that are an integral part of the School’s financial statements.

A. Reporting Entity

Families for Excellence in Education, Inc., an Oklahoma not-for profit corporation described in Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), was formed for the benefit of a school to be called Independence Charter Middle School. The School was formed under provisions of the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act through a contract with Independent School District No. 89 of Oklahoma County (Oklahoma City Public Schools), as its sponsoring school. On July 1, 2021, Independence Charter Middle School merged with Harding Charter Preparatory School to become Harding Independence Charter School. The School is a corporate body for public purposes created under Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes and accordingly is a separate entity for operating and financial reporting purposes. The School is part of the public school system of Oklahoma under the general direction and control of the State Board of Education and is financially dependent on State of Oklahoma support. The general operating authority for the public school system is the Oklahoma School Code contained in Title 70, Oklahoma Statutes.

The governing body of the School is the Board of Education composed of seven community members. The appointed Head of Schools is the executive officer of the School. The Board, constituting an on-going entity, is the level of government, which has governance responsibilities over all activities, related to public elementary and secondary school education within the jurisdiction of the local independent school district. The School receives funding from local, state and federal government sources and must comply with the requirements of these funding source entities. However, the School is not included in any other governmental “reporting entity” as defined in Section 2100, Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, since Board members are elected by the public and have decision making authority, the power to designate management, the responsibility to significantly influence operations and primary accountability for fiscal matters.

In evaluating how to define the School, for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The basic – but not the only – criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body’s ability to

HARDING IDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
NOTES TO THE COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – REGULATORY BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont'd

A. Reporting Entity – cont'd

exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to significantly influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters. A second criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the scope of public service. Application of this criterion involves considering whether the activity benefits the School and/or its citizens, or whether the activity is conducted within the geographic boundaries of the School and is generally available to its patrons. A third criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the School is able to exercise oversight responsibilities. Based upon the application of these criteria, there are no potential component units included in the School's reporting entity.

B. Measurement Focus

The School uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain school functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

Funds are classified into three categories: Governmental, proprietary and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types."

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds are used to account for all or most of a government's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of earmarked monies (special revenue funds), the acquisition or construction of general fixed assets (capital projects funds), and the servicing of general long-term debt (debt service funds).

General Fund – The general fund is used to account for all financial transactions except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Major revenue sources include state funding under the Foundation and Incentive Aid Program. Expenditures include all costs associated with the daily operations of the schools except for programs funded for building repairs and maintenance, school construction and debt service on bonds and other long-term debt. The general fund includes federal and state restricted monies that must be expended for specific programs.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont'd

B. Measurement Focus - cont'd

Special Revenue Funds – Special revenue funds account for revenue sources that are restricted to expenditures for specific purposes. The special revenue funds typically include the building, co-op and child nutrition funds. The School did not maintain any special revenue funds during the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Building Fund – The building fund consists mainly of monies derived from property taxes levied for the purpose of erecting, remodeling, repairing, or maintaining school buildings and for purchasing furniture, equipment and computer software to be used on or for school district property, for paying energy and utility costs, for purchasing telecommunications services, for paying fire and casualty insurance premiums for school facilities, for purchasing security systems, and for paying salaries of security personnel.

Co-op Fund – The co-op fund is established when the boards of education of two or more school districts enter into cooperative agreements and maintain joint programs. The revenues necessary to operate a cooperative program can come from federal, state, or local sources, including the individual contributions of participating school districts. The expenditures for this fund would consist of those necessary to operate and maintain the joint programs.

Child Nutrition Fund - The child nutrition fund consists of monies derived from federal and state financial assistance and food sales. This fund is used to account for the various nutrition programs provided to students. The School operates their child nutrition program within the general fund.

Debt Service Fund – The debt service fund is the School's sinking fund and is used to account for the accumulation of financial resources for the payment of general long-term (including judgments) debt principal, interest and related costs. The primary revenue sources are local property taxes levied specifically for debt service and interest earnings from temporary investments. The School did not maintain this fund during the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Capital Projects Fund – The capital projects fund is the School's bond fund and is used to account for the proceeds of bond sales to be used exclusively for acquiring school sites, constructing and equipping new school facilities, renovating existing facilities and acquiring transportation equipment. The School did not maintain this fund during the 2021-22 fiscal year.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont'd

B. Measurement Focus – cont'd

Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held on behalf of outside parties, including other governments, or on behalf of other funds within the School. The terms “non-expendable” and “expendable” refer to whether or not the School is under an obligation to maintain the trust principal. Agency funds generally are used to account for assets that the School holds on behalf of others as their agent and do not involve measurement of results of operation.

Expendable Trust Funds – Expendable trust funds typically include the gifts and endowments fund. The School maintained a gifts and endowments fund during the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Gifts and Endowments Fund – The gifts and endowments fund receives its assets by way of philanthropic foundations, individuals, or private organizations for which no repayment or special service to the contributor is expected. This fund is used to promote the general welfare of the School.

Agency Fund – The agency fund is the school activities fund which is used to account for monies collected principally through the fundraising efforts of students and School-sponsored groups. The administration is responsible, under the authority of the Board, for collecting, disbursing and accounting for these activity funds.

Account Groups

An account group is not a fund and consists of a self-balancing set of accounts used only to establish accounting control over long-term debt and fixed assets.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group – This account group is established to account for all the long-term debt of the School, which is offset by the amount available in the debt service fund and the amount to be provided in future years to complete retirement of the debt principal. It is also used to account for other liabilities (judgments and lease purchases) which are to be paid from funds provided in future years.

General Fixed Assets Account Group – This account group is used by governments to account for the property, plant and equipment of the school district. The School does not have the information necessary to include this group in its financial statements.

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1. **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont’d**

B. Measurement Focus – cont’d

Memorandum Only - Total Column

The total column on the combined financial statements – regulatory basis is captioned “memorandum only” to indicate that it is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column does not present financial position or results of operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

C. Basis of Accounting and Presentation

The School prepares its financial statements in a presentation format that is prescribed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education. This format is essentially the generally accepted form of presentation used by state and local governments prior to the effective date of GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – Management’s Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments* with certain modifications. This format differs significantly from that required by GASB 34.

The financial statements are essentially prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements modified as required by the regulations of the Oklahoma State Department of Education as follows:

- Encumbrances represented by purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded as expenditures when approved.
- Investments are recorded as assets when purchased.
- Inventories of school supplies are recorded as expenditures and not as inventory assets.
- Warrants/checks payable are recorded as liabilities when issued.
- Long-term debt is recorded in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group and not in the basic financial statements.
- Compensated absences are recorded as expenditures when paid and not recorded as a liability.
- Fixed assets are recorded in the General Fixed Asset Account Group and not in the basic financial statements. Fixed assets are not depreciated.

This regulatory basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which require revenues to be recognized when they become available and measurable, or when they are earned, and expenditures or expenses to be recognized when the related liabilities are incurred for governmental fund types; and, when revenues are earned.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont’d

C. Basis of Accounting and Presentation – cont’d

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. All governmental type funds are accounted for using the regulatory basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are received rather than earned and expenditures are generally recognized when encumbered/reserved rather than at the time the related fund liability is incurred. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The School is required by state law to prepare an annual budget. The Board of Education must request an initial temporary appropriations budget from their County Excise Board before June 30. The School uses the temporary appropriation amounts as their legal expenditure limit until the annual Estimate of Needs is completed.

A budget is legally adopted by the Board of Education for all funds (with the exception of the trust and agency funds) that includes revenues and expenditures. No later than October 1, each Board of Education shall prepare a financial statement and Estimate of Needs to be filed with the applicable County Clerk and the State Department of Education.

The 2021-22 Estimate of Needs was not amended by any supplemental appropriations. Any amendments must be approved by the County Excise Board.

Encumbrances represent commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting – under which purchase orders and other commitments of resources are recorded as expenditures of the applicable fund – is utilized in all governmental funds of the School. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at the end of each fiscal year. While the Debt Service Fund is a governmental fund, a comparison of budget to actual schedule is presented in the financial statements, although the Board can exercise no control of the revenue sources for this fund (except interest earnings), and no control over its expenditures.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont'd

E. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance

Cash and Cash Equivalents – The School considers all cash on hand, demand deposit accounts, and highly liquid investments, with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased, to be cash and cash equivalents.

Investments – The School considers investments of direct obligations of the United States government and agencies, certificates of deposits, savings accounts or savings certificates with maturities of greater than three months. All investments are recorded at cost, which approximates market value.

Inventories – The value of consumable inventories at June 30, 2022 is not material to the combined financial statements.

Fixed Assets and Property, Plant and Equipment – The School has not maintained a record of general fixed assets, and, accordingly, a General Fixed Assets Account Group required by the regulatory basis of accounting prescribed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education is not included in the financial statements. General fixed assets purchased are recorded as expenditures in the various funds at the time of purchase.

Warrants/Checks Payable – Warrants/checks are issued to meet the obligations for goods and services provided to the School. The School recognizes a liability for the amount of outstanding warrants/checks that have yet to be cashed by the School's bank.

Encumbrances – Encumbrances represent commitments related to purchase orders, contracts, other commitments for expenditures or resources, and goods or services received by the School for which a warrant/check has not been issued. An expenditure is recorded and a liability is recognized for outstanding encumbrances at year end in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting. While the regulatory basis that is used for the Debt Service Fund approximates full accrual accounting, the accruals recorded are reported to meet regulatory requirements, as opposed to the requirements of generally accepted accounting principles.

Compensated Absences – The School provides vacation and sick leave benefits in accordance with Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Article 6-104, which provides for annual sick leave and personal business days. School policy allows certified employees to accumulate such days to a maximum number of days. Vested or accumulated vacation leave that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources had not been reported as an expenditure of the governmental fund that will pay it since the financial statements have been prepared on the regulatory basis of accounting. This practice differs from generally accepted accounting principles.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont'd

E. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance – cont'd

Funds Held for School Organizations – Funds held for school organizations represent the funds received or collected from students or other cocurricular and extracurricular activities conducted in the School, control over which is exercised by the board of education. These funds are credited to the account maintained for the benefit of each particular activity within the school activity fund.

Long-Term Debt – Long-term debt is recognized as a liability of a governmental fund when due, or when resources have been accumulated in the debt service fund for payment early in the following year. For other long-term obligations, only that portion expected to be financed from expendable available financial resources is reported as a fund liability of a governmental fund. The remaining portion of such obligations is reported in the general long-term debt account group.

Fund Balance – In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report the hierarchy of fund balances. The hierarchy is based primarily on the degree of spending constraints placed upon use of resources for specific purposes versus availability of appropriation. An important distinction that is made in reporting fund balance is between amounts that are considered *nonspendable* (i.e., fund balance associated with assets that are not in spendable form, such as inventories or prepaid items, long-term portions of loans and notes receivable, or items that are legally required to be maintained intact (such as the corpus of a permanent fund)) and those that are *spendable* (such as fund balance associated with cash, investments or receivables).

Amounts in the spendable fund balance category are further classified as *restricted*, *committed*, *assigned* or *unassigned*, as appropriate.

Restricted fund balance represents amounts that are constrained either externally by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments; or by law, through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance represents amounts that are useable only for specific purposes by formal action of the government's highest level of decision-making authority. Such amounts are not subject to legal enforceability (like restricted amounts) but cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government removes or changes the limitation by taking action similar to that which imposed the commitment.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont'd

E. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance – cont'd

Assigned fund balance represents amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed. Intent is expressed by the governing body itself, or a subordinated high-level body or official who the governing body has delegated the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. Assigned fund balances include all remaining spendable amounts (except negative balances) that are reported in governmental funds other than the general fund, that are neither restricted nor committed, and amounts in the general fund that are intended to be used for specific purposes in accordance with the provisions of the standard.

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund. It represents the amounts that have not been assigned to other funds, and that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund.

F. Revenue and Expenditures

Local Revenues – Revenue from local sources is the money generated from within the boundaries of the School and available to the School for its use. The School is authorized by state law to levy property taxes which consist of ad valorem taxes on real and personal property within the School. These property taxes are distributed to the School's general, building and sinking funds based on the levies approved for each fund. The County Assessor, upon receipt of the certification of tax levies from the County Excise Board, extends the tax levies on the tax rolls for submission to the county treasurer prior to October 1. The county treasurer must commence tax collection within fifteen days of receipt of the tax rolls. The first half of taxes is due prior to January 1. The second half is due prior to April 1. If the first payment is not made in a timely manner, the entire tax becomes due and payable on January 2. Second half taxes become delinquent on April 1, of the year following the year of assessment. If not paid by the following October 1, the property is offered for sale for the amount of taxes due. The owner has two years to redeem the property by paying the taxes and penalty owed. If at the end of two years the owner has not done so, the purchaser is issued a deed to the property. Other local sources of revenues include tuition, fees, rentals, disposals, commissions and reimbursements.

Intermediate Revenues - Revenue from intermediate sources is the amount of money from funds collected by an intermediate administrative unit, or a political subdivision between the School and the state and distributed to Schools in amounts that differ in proportion to those which are collected within such systems.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont'd

F. Revenue and Expenditures – cont'd

State Revenues – Revenues from state sources for current operations are primarily governed by the state aid formula under the provisions of Article XVIII, Title 70, Oklahoma Statutes. The State Board of Education administers the allocation of state aid funds to school districts based on information accumulated from the Schools.

After review and verification of reports and supporting documentation, the State Department of Education may adjust subsequent fiscal period allocations of money for prior year errors disclosed by review. Normally, such adjustments are treated as reductions from or additions to the revenue of the year when the adjustment is made.

The School receives revenue from the state to administer certain categorical educational programs. State Board of Education rules require that revenue earmarked for these programs be expended only for the program for which the money is provided and require that the money not expended as of the close of the fiscal year be carried forward into the following year to be expended for the same categorical programs. The State Department of Education requires that categorical educational program revenues be accounted for in the general fund.

Federal Revenues – Federal revenues consist of revenues from the federal government in the form of operating grants or entitlements. An operating grant is a contribution to be used for a specific purpose, activity or facility. A grant may be received either directly from the federal government or indirectly as a passthrough from another government, such as the state. Entitlement is the amount of payment to which the School is entitled pursuant to an allocation formula contained in applicable statutes. The majority of the federal revenues received by the School are apportioned to the general fund. The School deposits child nutrition fund federal revenues into the general fund.

Non-Monetary Transactions – The School receives commodities from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The value of these commodities has been included in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards; however, they have not been included in the financial statements as either revenue or expense since they are not reported under the regulatory basis of accounting.

Interest Earnings – Represent compensation for the use of financial sources over a period of time.

Non-Revenue Receipts – Non-revenue receipts represent receipts deposited into a fund that are not new revenues to the School, but the return of assets.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont'd

F. Revenue and Expenditures – cont'd

Instruction Expenditures – Instruction expenditures include the activities dealing directly with the interaction between teachers and students. Teaching may be provided for students in a school classroom, in another location, such as a home or hospital, and in other learning situations, such as those involving cocurricular activities. It may also be provided through some other approved medium, such as television, radio, telephone and correspondence. Included here are the activities of teacher assistants of any type (clerks, graders, teaching machines, etc.) which assist in the instructional process. The activities of tutors, translators and interpreters would be recorded here. Department chairpersons who teach for any portion of time are included here. Tuition/transfer fees paid to other LEAs would be included here.

Support Services Expenditures – Support services expenditures provide administrative, technical (such as guidance and health) and logistical support to facilitate and enhance instruction. These services exist as adjuncts for fulfilling the objectives of instruction, community services and enterprise programs, rather than as entities within themselves.

Operation of Non-Instructional Services Expenditures – Activities concerned with providing non-instructional services to students, staff or the community.

Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services Expenditures – Consists of activities involved with the acquisition of land and buildings; remodeling buildings; the construction of buildings and additions to buildings; initial installation or extension of service systems and other built-in equipment; and improvements to sites.

Other Outlays Expenditures – A number of outlays of governmental funds are not properly classified as expenditures, but still require budgetary or accounting control. These are classified as Other Outlays. These include debt service payments (principal and interest).

Other Uses Expenditures – This includes scholarships provided by private gifts and endowments; student aid and staff awards supported by outside revenue sources (i.e., foundations). Also, expenditures for self-funded employee benefit programs administered either by the School or a third-party administrator.

Repayment Expenditures – Repayment expenditures represent checks/warrants issued to outside agencies for refund or restricted revenue previously received for overpayment, non-qualified expenditures and other refunds to be repaid from School funds.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – cont’d

F. Revenue and Expenditures – cont’d

Interfund Transactions – Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund or expenditures/expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed.

All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. Nonrecurring or nonroutine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers. There were no interfund transfers made during the 2021-22 fiscal year.

2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Custodial Credit Risk – Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School’s deposits may not be returned to the School. The School’s cash deposits and investments at June 30, 2022, were \$1,675,395 at financial institutions, and were completely insured or collateralized by federal depository insurance, direct obligations of the U.S. Government, or securities held by the School or by its agent in the School’s name.

Investment Interest Rate Risk – Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair market value of an investment. Due to the required liquidity for those investments, these funds have no defined maturity dates. The School does not have a formal policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses from increasing interest rates.

Investment Credit risk – Credit risk is the risk that the issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The School does not have a formal policy limiting its investment choices, other than the limitation of state law as follows:

- Direct obligations of the U.S. Government, its agencies and instrument to which the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government is pledged, or obligations to the payment of which the full faith and credit of the State is pledged.
- Certificates of deposit or savings accounts that are either insured or secured with acceptable collateral with in-state financial institutions, and fully insured certificates of deposit or savings accounts in out-of-state financial institutions.
- With certain limitation, negotiable certificates of deposit, prime bankers acceptances, prime commercial paper and repurchase agreements with certain limitations.

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2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS – cont'd

- County, municipal or school district tax supported debt obligations, bond or revenue anticipation notes, money judgments, or bond or revenue anticipation notes of public trusts whose beneficiary is a county, municipality or school district.
- Notes or bonds secured by mortgage or trust deed insured by the Federal Housing Administrator and debentures issued by the Federal Housing Administrator, and in obligations of the National Mortgage Association.
- Money market funds regulated by the SEC and in which investments consist of the investments mentioned in the previous bullet items.

Concentration of Investment Credit Risk – The School places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer.

3. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

There were no interfund receivables or payables at June 30, 2022.

4. GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT

The School did not maintain any long-term debt as of June 30, 2022.

5. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Description of Plan

The School participates in the state-administered Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System, which is a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit public employee retirement system (PERS), which is administered by the Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System (the "System"). The System provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Title 70 Section 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes establishes benefit provisions and may be amended only through legislative action. The Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System, P.O. Box 53624, Oklahoma City, OK 73152, or by calling 405-521-2387.

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5. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM – cont'd

Basis of Accounting

The System's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting, except for accruals of interest income. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are made. Benefits and refunds are recognized when paid. The pension benefit obligation is a standardized disclosure measure of the present value of pension benefits. This pension valuation method reflects the present value of estimated pension benefits that will be paid in future years as a result of employee services performed to date and is adjusted for the effect of projected salary increases. There are no actuarial valuations performed on individual school districts. The System has an under-funded pension benefit obligation as determined as part of the latest actuarial valuation.

Funding Policy

The School, the State of Oklahoma, and the participating employee make contributions. The contribution rates for the School and its employees are established by and may be amended by Oklahoma Statutes. The rates are not actuarially determined. The rates are applied to the employee's earnings plus employer-paid fringe benefits. The required contribution for the participating members is 7.0% of compensation. Contributions received by the System from the State of Oklahoma are used to offset required employer contributions by the local school district. For the 2021-22 fiscal year, the School contributed 9.5% and the State of Oklahoma contributed the remaining amount during the year. The School is allowed by Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System to make the required contributions on behalf of the participating members. In addition, if a member's salary is paid in part by federal or private funds, the contribution on that portion of the salary paid by those funds must be matched by the School at 7.90%.

Annual Pension Cost

The School's total contributions for 2022, 2021 and 2020 were \$520,512, \$535,343 and \$529,796, respectively. Ten-year historical trend information is presented in the Teacher's Retirement System of Oklahoma Annual Report for the year ended June 30, 2022. This information is useful in assessing the pension plan's accumulation of sufficient assets to pay pension benefits as they become due. Please visit www.ok.gov/TRS for all plan information.

GASB Statement 68 became effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014, and significantly changes pension accounting and financial reporting for governmental employers who participate in a pension plan, such as the System, and who prepare published financial statements on an accrual basis using Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. Since the School does not prepare and present their financial statements on an accrual basis, the net pension amount is not required to be presented on the audited financial statements.

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6. COMMITMENTS

Charter Contract – The School operates under a charter granted by Oklahoma City Public Schools. As the sponsoring organization, Oklahoma City Public Schools exercises certain oversight responsibilities. Under this charter, the School has agreed to pay Oklahoma City Public Schools an annual administrative fee equal to 3% of state aid revenue. The current charter contract is effective until June 30, 2026.

Building Lease – The School leases their building at 1301 NE 101st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73131 from Oklahoma City Public Schools. The lease agreement is effective July 1, 2021, and shall continue for ten years, unless sooner terminated. The lease also includes terms and conditions for utilities, maintenance, and ground keeping. The School made lease payments totaling \$148,823 to Oklahoma City Public Schools during the 2021-22 fiscal year.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; or acts of God. The School purchases commercial insurance to cover these risks, including general and auto liability, property damage, and public officials' liability. Settled claims resulting from risks have not exceeded the commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

8. CONTINGENCIES

Federal Grants

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amounts, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the School expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

Schedule of Expenditure of Federal Awards

The schedule shows the federal awards received and expended by the School during the 2021-22 fiscal year. The revised Uniform Guidance Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations, established uniform audit requirements for nonfederal entities which expended more than \$750,000 in federal awards.

Litigation

The School is the defendant in one lawsuit. Although the outcome of this lawsuit is not presently determinable, the School believes the resolution of this matter will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the School.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE-
 ALL FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES-REGULATORY BASIS
 JUNE 30, 2022

	EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND	AGENCY FUNDS	
<u>ASSETS</u>	GIFTS FUND	SCHOOL ACTIVITY FUNDS	TOTAL
Cash & Investments	\$ 185,240	159,198	344,438
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Liabilities:			
Funds held for school organizations	\$ 0	159,198	159,198
Fund Balance:			
Restricted	185,240	0	185,240
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 185,240	159,198	344,438

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 COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES -
 AGENCY FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS
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	BALANCE 7-01-21	ADDITIONS	TRANSFERS/ ADJUSTMENTS	DEDUCTIONS	BALANCE 6-30-22
<u>ASSETS</u>					
Cash	\$ 71,298	361,541	0	280,346	159,198
<u>LIABILITIES</u>					
Funds held for school organizations:					
Horticulture	\$ 4,626	25,734		13,545	16,815
Dictionaries	85	0		0	85
Chess Club	62	0		0	62
Youth in Action	201	0		0	201
Parking	184	0		0	184
HCP Office	0	3,039		2,840	199
Art Club	151	20		137	34
World Language	523	0		84	439
Sports - General	230	16,694		12,443	4,481
Newspaper	1,055	850		1,050	855
Sports - Cross Country	1,050	2,725		1,138	2,637
Uniforms	105	1,880		1,578	407
Agendas	2,241	2,524		3,252	1,513
Sports - Volleyball	3,055	5,906		3,565	5,396
Sports - Softball	1,001	2,037		494	2,544
A/P Testing	10,454	29,858		32,384	7,928
Student Council	3,374	36,268		37,450	2,192
ACT	533	689		0	1,222
Junior Classical League	409	0		0	409
Girls Soccer	264	1,364		1,568	60
Boys Soccer	85	3,895		3,747	233
Archery	916	0		0	916
Mock Trial	852	0		0	852
Golf	157	365		495	27
Drama	1,207	865		1,103	969
Vocal Music	1,229	32,677		32,911	995
Yearbook	1,917	7,897		5,338	4,476
Band	4,936	10,272		11,946	3,262
Senior Capstone	93	0		0	93
Orchestra	3,105	3,254		3,554	2,805
Movie History Club	148	100		0	248
Speech & Debate	533	74		343	264
Class of 2009	0	139		0	139
Baseball	2,123	4,876		4,827	2,172
National Honor Society	1,162	2,320		1,231	2,251
Media Center	1,665	1,175		408	2,432
STEM Club	3,264	0		125	3,139
Senior Class	3,959	5,897		6,492	3,364
Parent Fundraisers	4,769	14,890		15,494	4,165

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES -
 AGENCY FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	BALANCE 7-01-21	ADDITIONS	NET TRANSFERS/ ADJUSTMENTS	DEDUCTIONS	BALANCE 6-30-22
Boys Basketball	\$ 5,750	7,055		8,573	4,232
Cheerleading	3,892	7,518		2,731	8,679
Tennis	1,505	715		977	1,243
Track	408	560		0	968
Concessions	707	3,084		1,590	2,201
Girls Basketball	222	9,116		9,310	28
Academic Team	179	0		0	179
Harding Caring 4 People	67	0		0	67
Junior Class	1,736	12,514		8,518	5,732
Swimming	1,674	1,173		1,736	1,111
Black Student Union	140	2,145		2,082	203
Navigators	0	817		156	661
Latinx Student Union	0	28		0	28
ICMS General Activity	0	37,352		14,899	22,453
ICMS After School Activity	0	2,094		0	2,094
ICMS Art Classroom	0	2,503		1,557	946
ICMS Fall Picnic	0	500		352	148
ICMS Memorial Fund	0	291		0	291
ICMS Parent Marquee	0	10		0	10
ICMS Parent Prod Support	0	1,000		0	1,000
ICMS PE Uniforms	0	8,010		4,200	3,810
ICMS Planners	0	3,318		3,318	0
ICMS Student Council	0	2,275		460	1,815
ICMS Whats The World	0	270		158	112
ICMS Yearbook	0	5,037		2,194	2,843
ICMS All Sports Account	0	24,944		11,636	13,308
ICMS 8th Grade	0	5,933		3,835	2,098
ICMS Office	0	12		0	12
ICMS Parent Organization	0	4,438		2,522	1,916
ICMS Student Uniforms	0	545		0	545
Total Liabilities	\$ 78,003	361,541	0	280,346	159,198

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
REGULATORY BASIS**

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS - REGULATORY BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

<u>Federal Grantor / Pass Through Grantor / Program Title</u>	<u>Federal Assistance Listing Number</u>	<u>Total Expenditures</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Education:</u>		
<u>Passed Through State Department of Education:</u>		
Title I, Basic Program	84.010	\$ 200,214
Title II, Part A	84.367	334
IDEA-B Special Education Cluster:		
ARP-IDEA-B Flow Through	84.027X	32,646
IDEA-B Flow Through	84.027	129,042
Total IDEA-B Special Education Cluster		<u>161,688</u>
Title IV, Part A	84.424	12,766
CDC Reopening Schools	93.323	136,538
*COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund (ESF):		
CARES Act - ESSER I	84.425D	104
CRRSA - ESSER II	84.425D	327,443
ARP - ESSER III	84.425U	732,741
Total COVID-19 - ESF		<u>1,060,288</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture:</u>		
<u>Passed Through State Department of Education</u>		
Child Nutrition Programs:		
School Breakfast Program	10.553	52,595
National School Lunch Program	10.555	314,522
Non-cash Assistance - Commodities	10.555	15,799
Total Child Nutrition Cluster		<u>382,916</u>
Total Federal Assistance		<u>\$ 1,954,744</u>

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation - The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal activity of the District for the year ended June 30, 2022. This information is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the District, it is not intended and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the District.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Expenditures reported on this schedule are reported on the regulatory basis of accounting consistent with the preparation of the combined financial statements except as noted in Note 3. Expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. The District has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimus indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Note 3 - Non-Monetary Assistance - Commodities received by the District were of a non-monetary nature.

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS - REGULATORY BASIS
PREPARED FOR THE OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Federal Grantor / Pass Through Grantor / Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Balance at 7/1/21	Revenue Collected	Total Expenditures	Balance at 6/30/22
U.S. Department of Education							
Passed Through State Department of Education:							
Title I, Basic Program	84.010	511	\$ 260,497		200,214	200,214	
Title II, Part A	84.367	541	334		334	334	
CARES Special Education 2020-21	84.027	799		2,356	2,356		
ARP-IDEA-B Flow Through	84.027X	628	39,490		13,782	32,646	18,863
IDEA-B Flow Through	84.027	621	139,993		110,905	129,042	18,136
Title IV, Part A	84.424	552	12,766		12,766	12,766	
CDC Reopening Schools	93.323	723	150,000		82,594	136,538	53,945
COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund (ESF):							
CARES Act - ESSER I	84.425D	788	104			104	104
CRRSA - ESSER II	84.425D	793	327,443		327,443	327,443	
ARP - ESSER III	84.425U	795	1,438,183		591,484	732,741	141,257
Total COVID-19 - ESF			1,765,730	0	918,927	1,060,288	141,361
Sub Total			2,368,810	2,356	1,341,878	1,571,828	232,305
U.S. Department of Agriculture							
Passed Through State Department of Education							
Child Nutrition Programs:							
School Breakfast Program	10.553	764			85,896	52,595	
National School Lunch Program	10.555	763			314,522	314,522	
Emergency Operational Cost	10.555	762			27,037		
Supply Chain Assistance Program	10.555	759			21,238		
Non-cash Assistance - Commodities	10.555	N/A			15,799	15,799	
Sub Total					464,492	382,916	
Other Child Nutrition Programs:							
P-EBT	10.649	760			1,228	0	
Total Federal Assistance			\$ 2,368,810	2,356	1,807,598	1,954,744	232,305

Note 1 - This schedule was prepared on a regulatory basis of accounting consistent with the preparation of the combined financial statements, except for the non-cash assistance noted in Note 2.

Note 2 - Food Distribution - Non-cash assistance is reported in this schedule at the fair market value of the commodities received and disbursed.

Note 3 - None of the federal programs include any loan programs, loan guarantee programs, has no sub-receipts and does not use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate.

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA COUNTY
 STATEMENT OF STATUTORY, FIDELITY AND HONESTY BONDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

<u>BONDING COMPANY</u>	<u>POSITION COVERED</u>	<u>BOND NUMBER</u>	<u>COVERAGE AMOUNT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATES</u>
RLI Insurance Co	Superintendent	LSM1688312	\$ 100,000	8/2/21 - 8/2/22
	Treasurer	LSM1688312	100,000	8/2/21 - 8/2/22
	Business Manager/Encumbrance Clerk (2)	LSM1688312	5,000	8/2/21 - 8/2/22
	Athletic Director/Activity Fund Custodian (2)	LSM1688312	1,000	8/2/21 - 8/2/22
	Minutes Clerk	LSM1688312	1,000	8/2/21 - 8/2/22

HARDING INDEPENDENCE CHARTER SCHOOL NO. E-008, OKLAHOMA CO.
SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTANT'S PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE
AFFIDAVIT
JULY 1, 2021 TO JUNE 30, 2022

State of Oklahoma)
) ss
County of Tulsa)

The undersigned auditing firm of lawful ages, being first duly sworn on oath says that said firm had in full force and effect Accountant's Professional Liability Insurance in accordance with the "Oklahoma Public School Audit Law" at the time of audit contract and during the entire audit engagement with Harding Independence Charter School for the audit year 2021-22.

Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson
Certified Public Accountants, PLLLP
Auditing Firm

By 
Authorized Agent

Subscribed and sworn to before me
This 10th day of February, 2023




Notary Public (or Clerk or Judge)

My Commission Expires: 12/11/2024
Commission No. 20014980



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February 10, 2023

Mr. Steven Stefanick, Principal
Harding Independence Charter Preparatory High School
1301 NE 101st Street,
Oklahoma City, OK 73131

Dear Mr. Stefanick:

Listed below are the audit exceptions and recommendations from the final audit work we performed for you. These items are referred to in your audit report. Please review them very carefully, along with the review copy of your audit report. If you have questions or desire additional information, please call us so that any discrepancies may be resolved.

The following section contains the observations relayed to management that are control deficiencies, which we feel need to be communicated to you so appropriate action may be taken to correct these deficiencies. These items are not included in your audit report, as they are not considered material or immaterial in nature. They are simply observations of some minor findings that could evolve into immaterial or material findings if not addressed or corrected.

Purchase Orders

- 1) Purchase orders were used in accordance with Oklahoma Statutes, however, they were not always encumbered against available appropriations prior to the obligations being incurred. We recommend that the School enforce its policies and procedures which require that purchase orders be encumbered prior to the obligation being incurred.
- 2) Of the purchase orders examined, a few did not have a “non-kickback” affidavit, as required by Oklahoma Statutes. The law requires that an affidavit be obtained for every vendor from whom at least one invoice of \$25,000 or more is received. However, if a district executes a contract with any architect, contractor, engineer, or supplier, which is to provide services or materials on a continual basis, the district need obtain only one affidavit in lieu of the individual affidavits as stated above. We recommend that a non-kickback affidavit be obtained for each invoice received by the district, which is for \$25,000 or more, or, if the district has executed any contracts for services or materials to be used on a continual basis, that only one non-kickback be obtained.

Gift Cards

We observed during the audit that in a few instances gift cards were given to students or staff as rewards, incentives, or tokens of appreciation. We recommend that when these types of items are given to individuals, a listing of all persons receiving the gift cards, the specific amount of each gift card, and a signature from each person next to their name which would indicate receipt of the gift card listed be included as supporting documentation. Many school districts now use gift cards, due to the ease and advantages for both parties. However, the inherent risk of abuse should be considered when using these cards, and every effort should be made to assure proper use and distribution. The proper use and procedures for gift cards is an issue that should be reviewed with all staff members each year.

We take this opportunity to thank you and your professional staff for the outstanding cooperation and invaluable assistance you gave us during our recent onsite audit work.

Sincerely,



Christopher P. Gullekson

For

Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson
Certified Public Accountants, LLP