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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Knox County Career Center, prepared by Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Knox County Career Center is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

March 9, 2009



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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

Members of the Board Knox County Career Center 306 Martinsburg Road Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Knox County Career Center (the Center), Knox County, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Center's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Center's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions 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 Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Center, as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, and the respective budgetary comparison for the General fund and Adult Education fund, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated January 16, 2009 on our consideration of the Center's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

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

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We conducted our audit to opine on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Center's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

As described in Note 3, the Center has implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 50, Pension Disclosures – an amendment of GASB Statements No. 25 and No. 27, GASB Statement No. 48, Sales and Pledges of Receivables and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets and Future Revenues, and GASB Statement No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions.

Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc.

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January 16, 2009

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008 Unaudited

It is a privilege to present to you the financial picture of the Knox County Career Center. This discussion and analysis of the Center's financial performance provides an overall review of the Center's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Center's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Center's financial performance.

## **Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for the 2008 fiscal year are as follows:

- Total assets of Knox County Career Center exceeded liabilities at June 30, 2008 by \$30,016,437. This balance was comprised of \$6,562,411 in capital assets net of related debt, \$12,986,033 in restricted for specific purposes, and \$10,467,993 in unrestricted net assets.
- General revenues accounted for \$9,406,701 or 79.4 percent of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and grants and contributions accounted for \$2,443,694 or 20.6 percent of total revenues.
- Of the \$9,406,701 in general revenues, \$2,922,019 or 31.1 percent was derived from local tax revenue, \$5,374,462 or 57.1 percent from State revenue and \$1,110,220 or 11.8 percent was derived from interest and other local revenues.
- The Center had \$10,740,707 in total expenses related to governmental activities and \$8,297,013 net of program revenues. Therefore 77.2 percent of the expenses were funded with general revenues.
- The Center's major governmental funds are the General Fund, the Adult Education Fund and the Ohio School Facilities Project Fund.
- The General Fund cash balance was \$11,132,441 at fiscal year-end; up from \$10,101,062 at June 30, 2007, an increase of \$1,031,379.

#### **Using this Financial Report**

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

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

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## Reporting the Center as a Whole

Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the Center to provide programs and activities, the view of the Center as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during fiscal year 2008?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include *all non-fiduciary assets* and *liabilities* using the *accrual basis* of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. Accrual accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Center's *net assets* and changes in those assets. This change in net assets is important because it tells the reader that, for the Center as a whole, the *financial position* of the Center has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some not. Non-financial factors include the Center's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, the Center's performance, required educational programs, demographic and socioeconomic factors, the willingness of the community to support the Center and other factors. On the other hand, financial factors may include the Center's financial position, liquidity and solvency, fiscal capacity and risk and exposure.

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, the Center has one type of activity:

Governmental Activities – Most of the Center's programs and services are reported here including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, operation of non-instructional services, operation of food service and extracurricular activities.

#### Reporting the Center's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the Center's major governmental funds begins on page 8. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the Center's major funds. The Center uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the Center's most significant funds. The Center's major governmental funds are the General Fund, Adult Education Special Revenue Fund and Ohio School Facilities Capital Projects Fund.

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

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## The Center as a Whole

You may recall that the Statement of Net Assets provides the perspective of the Center as a whole. Table 1 provides a comparison of the Center's Net Assets for fiscal year 2008 compared to 2007:

Table 1
Net Assets
Governmental Activities

	2008	2007	Change
Assets			_
Current and Other Assets	\$28,595,608	\$31,177,575	(\$2,581,967)
Capital Assets, Net	11,457,906	6,741,426	4,716,480
Total Assets	40,053,514	37,919,001	2,134,513
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities	4,801,526	3,603,434	1,198,092
Long-Term Liabilities:			
Due Within One Year	262,171	256,495	5,676
Due in More Than One Year	4,973,380	5,152,323	(178,943)
Total Liabilities	10,037,077	9,012,252	1,024,825
Net Assets			
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	6,562,411	6,524,331	38,080
Restricted	12,986,033	17,107,859	(4,121,826)
Unrestricted	10,467,993	5,274,559	5,193,434
Total Net Assets	\$30,016,437	\$28,906,749	\$1,109,688

Total assets of governmental activities increased \$2,134,513. Capital Assets largely increased due to the addition of nondepreciable capital assets from the addition to and renovation of the Career Center.

Total liabilities of governmental activities increased \$1,024,825. The Center had an increase in current liabilities largely due to the payables associated with the Ohio School Facilities Project.

By comparing assets and liabilities, one can see the overall position of the Center has improved as evidenced by the increase in net assets of \$1,109,688.

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Table 2 shows the changes in net assets for fiscal year 2008 and 2007:

Table 2 **Changes in Net Assets Governmental Activities** 

	2008	2007	Change
Revenues			
Program Revenues:			
Charges for Services	\$1,602,609	\$1,538,426	\$64,183
Operating Grants and Contributions	841,085	863,046	(21,961)
Capital Grants and Contributions	0	12,046,336	(12,046,336)
Total Program Revenues	2,443,694	14,447,808	(12,004,114)
General Revenues:			
Property Taxes	2,922,019	3,522,213	(600,194)
Intergovernmental	5,374,462	4,850,854	523,608
Investment Earnings	947,548	768,437	179,111
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	140,275	76,538	63,737
Miscellaneous	22,397	43,022	(20,625)
Total General Revenues	9,406,701	9,261,064	145,637
Total Revenues	11,850,395	23,708,872	(11,858,477)
Program Expenses			
Instruction:			
Regular	205,725	185,156	20,569
Vocational	4,973,353	4,805,519	167,834
Adult/Continuing	1,332,473	1,242,206	90,267
Support Services:			
Pupil	538,910	527,437	11,473
Instructional Staff	726,236	826,291	(100,055)
Board of Education	14,364	14,859	(495)
Administration	838,003	797,036	40,967
Fiscal	397,258	367,611	29,647
Business	55,361	128,086	(72,725)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,132,216	1,197,226	(65,010)
Central	27,227	19,917	7,310
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	212,913	220,495	(7,582)
Extracurricular Activities	39,468	40,623	(1,155)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	247,200	211,293	35,907
Total Program Expenses	10,740,707	10,583,755	156,952
Increase in Net Assets	1,109,688	13,125,117	(12,015,429)
Net Assets Beginning of Year	28,906,749	15,781,632	13,125,117
Net Assets End of Year	\$30,016,437	\$28,906,749	\$1,109,688

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#### **Governmental Activities**

Net assets of the Center's governmental activities increased by \$1,109,688 in fiscal year 2008. Program revenues of \$2,443,694 and general revenues of \$9,406,701 offset total governmental expenses of \$10,740,707. Program revenues supported 22.8 percent of the total governmental expenses.

The primary sources of revenue for the Center are derived from property taxes and State foundation payments. These two revenue sources represent 70.0 percent of the total revenue. Property taxes, alone, represent 24.7 percent of revenues. The remaining 30.0 percent of revenue is from program revenues, interest and miscellaneous local sources.

A State law, enacted in 1976, does not allow for revenue increases caused by inflationary growth of real property. Increases in valuation prompt corresponding annual reductions in the "effective millage," the tax rates applied to real property. The Center operates on voted millage of 6.4 mills. The reduced or effective millage in fiscal year 2008 was 2.564 mills for Residential/Agricultural property and 4.2607 mills for other property. The following table illustrates the rate of growth in property values in the past ten years which has positively impacted the Center:

Year	Total	Growth
Ending	Valuation	Rate
2008	\$1,240,746,314	-0.37%
2007	1,245,383,245	0.44%
2006	1,239,905,663	9.94%
2005	1,127,776,599	2.01%
2004	1,105,520,322	1.80%
2003	1,086,017,526	13.46%
2002	957,180,259	-1.73%
2001	974,052,771	4.90%
2000	928,549,400	18.23%
1999	785,381,772	4.30%

The average rate of growth over the last 10 years is 5.30 percent.

In recent years, support from the State in terms of foundation increases, the implementation of weighted funding for special education students and career-tech students, and ADM funding for career technical students has combined to increase the financial condition of the Center. State support for educational programs has averaged an increase of 9.2 percent over the last three years. This increase is largely due to increased enrollment at the Center.

Program revenues covered 22.8 percent of program expenses overall. The remaining 77.2 percent is supported through tax revenues and other general revenues. In fiscal year 2008, however, revenues totaled 110 percent of expenses resulting in an increase in net assets of \$1,109,688.

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants and contributions offsetting those services. The following table shows the total cost of services and the net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of those services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted State grants and entitlements.

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	Total Cost of Services 2008	Net Cost of Services 2008	Total Cost of Services 2007	Net Cost of Services 2007
Governmental Activities:	_		_	
Instruction:				
Regular	\$205,725	(\$5,794)	\$185,156	\$64,197
Vocational	4,973,353	4,526,314	4,805,519	1,655,473
Adult/Continuing	1,332,473	(155,902)	1,242,206	120,385
Support Services:				
Pupil	538,910	538,910	527,437	423,373
Instructional Staff	726,236	647,032	826,291	564,253
Board of Education	14,364	14,364	14,859	14,859
Administration	838,003	838,003	797,036	581,444
Fiscal	397,258	397,258	367,611	367,611
Business	55,361	55,361	128,086	128,086
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,132,216	1,132,216	1,197,226	1,130,296
Central	27,227	22,227	19,917	14,917
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	212,913	356	220,495	23,821
Extracurricular Activities	39,468	39,468	40,623	40,623
Interest and Fiscal Charges	247,200	247,200	211,293	211,293
Total	\$10,740,707	\$8,297,013	\$10,583,755	\$5,340,631

As one can see, the reliance upon local tax revenues for the governmental activities is crucial. 27.2 percent of expenses are directly supported by local property taxes. Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs support 50.0 percent while investments and other miscellaneous type revenues support the remaining activity costs.

## The Center's Funds

The Center's governmental funds (as presented on the balance sheet on page 14) reported total fund balance of \$22,608,374, an increase of \$4,357,673 from fiscal year 2007.

#### General Fund

The general fund balance increased by \$284,436 in fiscal year 2008.

## Ohio School Facilities Project Fund

The largest increase in fund balance is in the Ohio School Facilities Project Fund. This fund is used to account for revenue and expenses related to the addition and renovation of the existing building. The fund balance at fiscal year end was \$10,576,572.

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## **Budgeting Highlights**

The Center's appropriations are prepared according to Ohio law and are based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. In fiscal year 2008 all funds were appropriated at the fund level.

In fiscal year 2008, the Center adopted its appropriations prior to October 1, 2007 and amended those appropriations several times prior to fiscal year end. For the general fund, final amended estimated revenues were \$9,408,458, the same as original estimated revenues. In the Adult Education Fund final amended estimated revenues were \$1,733,956. The decrease from the original estimate was mainly due to decreased tuition.

General fund original appropriations of \$9,439,034 were increased to \$9,473,311 in the final appropriation measure. This increase in the general fund appropriations was due mainly to an increase in consumer services. The Adult Education Special Revenue Fund original appropriations of \$1,739,001 were increased to \$1,777,249. This increase was mainly due to payback the advance received from the general fund.

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

## Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2008, the Center had \$11,457,906 invested in land, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, furniture, fixtures and equipment and vehicles. The following table shows fiscal 2008 balances compared to 2007.

Table 4
Capital Assets at June 30
(Net of Accumulated Depreciation)

	Governmental Activities			
	2008 2007			
Land	\$40,564	\$40,564		
Construction in Progress	5,186,919	398,048		
<b>Buildings and Improvements</b>	5,153,554	5,224,668		
Furniture, Fixtures				
and Equipment	1,025,500	1,013,660		
Vehicles	51,369	64,486		
Total Capital Assets	\$11,457,906	\$6,741,426		

Capital Assets net of depreciation increased by \$4,716,480 overall. The increase was mainly due to construction in progress for the Ohio School Facilities Project.

The Center's capitalization threshold for capital assets was set at \$500. For additional information on capital assets, see Note 9 to the basic financial statements.

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#### Debt

At June 30, 2008 the Center had \$4,855,036 in bonds and loans outstanding with \$191,665 due in one year. In addition, the Center had \$40,459 in capital leases outstanding with \$11,373 due in one year. Table 5 summarizes bonds outstanding for fiscal year 2008 compared to fiscal year 2007.

Table 5 **Outstanding Debt, Governmental Activities at Year End** 

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Energy Conservation Bonds	\$154,036	\$175,701
Capital Leases	40,459	51,363
School Facilities Loan	4,701,000	4,862,000

For additional information on long-term obligations, see Notes 14 and 15 to the basic financial statements.

## **Challenges and Opportunities**

The vision of the Knox County Career Center is, in conjunction with the community, to be the leading workforce provider by developing prepared workers who are civic-minded and who will engage in continuous learning. Through progressive curriculum and dynamic hands-on learning, Knox County Career Center challenges each student to develop lifelong skills that relate to the leadership and teamwork necessary in their future careers and community roles. Knox County Career Center establishes a relationship with staff, students, parents and community businesses that allows all learners to reach their full potential.

The mission of the Knox County Career Center is, in partnership with the community, to provide an educational environment in which all students can establish goals and develop progressive career pathways while learning to be contributing citizens of the changing world. The mission will be accomplished by creating a safe learning environment that emphasizes the lifelong skills and knowledge necessary to continue learning, communicate clearly, solve problems, use information and technology effectively, enjoy productive employment, appreciate aesthetics, and meet their obligations as citizens in a democratic and global society.

The adult education program shall assist individuals and companies in their efforts to develop leadership, build new skills, upgrade skills, keep abreast of technological developments and to develop competencies in areas of need and workforce development and personal interest.

In order to meet the goals mentioned above, it is imperative that the Center's management and staff continue to carefully and prudently plan in order to provide the resources and education required to meet student needs over the next several years.

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The Center has achieved a large measure of financial stability and forecasts a continuation of that stability throughout the five years of the required forecast period. As indicated in the preceding financial information, the Center is dependent upon property taxes and state funding. State funding does not increase solely with inflation. Therefore, administrators and staff are cognizant of the vulnerability of this stability and the Board of Education and administrators continue to closely monitor both revenues and expenses. The Treasurer continues to prepare monthly cash flow estimates in order to ascertain that actual revenues meet or exceed estimated revenues and actual expenditures do not exceed estimates.

The Center has undertaken a renovation and building addition project, partially funded by the Ohio School Facilities Commission. The addition includes, but is not limited to, increased space to the metal fabrication lab, chef and catering lab and the hospitality and facility care classroom. The total projected amount of the project is \$16,432,933, with the State providing seventy-five percent of the funding. The Center has borrowed the local portion required from the Ohio Association of School Business Officials' Expanded Asset Pool.

## **Contacting the Center's Financial Management Personnel**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Center's finances and to show the Center's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Tracy L. Elliott, Treasurer, Knox County Career Center, 306 Martinsburg Road, Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050. You may also contact the Treasurer by phone at (740) 397-5820, extension 257, or by e-mail at tracy entreca.org.

Statement of Net Assets June 30, 2008

	Governmental
	Activities
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$23,829,048
Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal Agents	46,560
Accounts Receivable	32,378
Intergovernmental Receivable	977,213
Accrued Interest Receivable	37,442
Prepaid Items	894
Inventory Held for Resale	6,581
Materials and Supplies Inventory	22,445
Property Taxes Receivable	3,643,047
Nondepreciable Capital Assets	5,227,483
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	6,230,423
	40.052.514
Total Assets	40,053,514
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	44,336
Accrued Wages Payable	675,298
Contracts Payable	597,510
Retainage Payable	46,560
Matured Compensated Absences Payable	31,514
Intergovernmental Payable	125,479
Accrued Interest Payable	3,751
Deferred Revenue	3,269,103
Claims Payable	7,975
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	262,171
Due In More Than One Year	4,973,380
Total Liabilities	10,037,077
Total Buotimes	10,037,077
Net Assets	
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	6,562,411
Restricted for Capital Outlay	12,468,176
Restricted for Other Purposes	517,857
Unrestricted	10,467,993
Total Net Assets	\$30,016,437

Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets
		Program	Program Revenues	
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$205,725	\$41,585	\$169,934	\$5,794
Vocational	4,973,353	186,887	260,152	(4,526,314)
Adult/Continuing	1,332,473	1,250,213	238,162	155,902
Support Services:				
Pupil	538,910	0	0	(538,910)
Instructional Staff	726,236	0	79,204	(647,032)
Board of Education	14,364	0	0	(14,364)
Administration	838,003	0	0	(838,003)
Fiscal	397,258	0	0	(397,258)
Business	55,361	0	0	(55,361)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,132,216	0	0	(1,132,216)
Central	27,227	0	5,000	(22,227)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	212,913	123,924	88,633	(356)
Extracurricular Activities	39,468	0	0	(39,468)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	247,200	0	0	(247,200)
Total Governmental Activities	\$10,740,707	\$1,602,609	\$841,085	(8,297,013)
		General Revenues Property Taxes Levi General Purposes Grants and Entitlem		2,922,019
		to Specific Program	ns	5,374,462
		Investment Earnings	S	947,548
		Payments in Lieu of	Taxes	140,275
		Miscellaneous		22,397
		Total General Reven	nues	9,406,701
		Change in Net Asse	ts	1,109,688
		Net Assets Beginnin		
		Restated (See Note	2 3)	28,906,749
		Net Assets End of Yo	ear	\$30,016,437

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2008

	General	Adult Education	Ohio School Facilities Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets					
Equity in Pooled Cash and					
Cash Equivalents	\$11,132,441	\$24,172	\$11,137,743	\$1,495,491	\$23,789,847
Cash and Cash Equivalents					
with Fiscal Agents	0	0	46,560	0	46,560
Accounts Receivable	5,844	16,195	3,240	7,099	32,378
Interfund Receivable	6,000	0	0	0	6,000
Intergovernmental Receivable	8,248	965,409	0	3,556	977,213
Accrued Interest Receivable	37,442	0	0	0	37,442
Prepaid Items	0	0	0	894	894
Inventory Held for Resale	0	0	0	6,581	6,581
Materials and Supplies Inventory	22,445	0	0	0	22,445
Taxes Receivable	3,643,047	0	0	0	3,643,047
Total Assets	\$14,855,467	\$1,005,776	\$11,187,543	\$1,513,621	\$28,562,407
Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	\$34,415	\$6,852	\$1,903	\$1,166	\$44,336
Accrued Wages Payable	570,760	66,560	0	37,978	675,298
Contracts Payable	0	0	597,510	0	597,510
Retainage Payable	0	0	46,560	0	46,560
Matured Compensated Absences Payable	16,004	15,510	0	0	31,514
Intergovernmental Payable	97,950	12,381	0	15,148	125,479
Interfund Payable	0	0	0	6,000	6,000
Deferred Revenue	3,496,929	0	930,407	0	4,427,336
Total Liabilities	4,216,058	101,303	1,576,380	60,292	5,954,033
Fund Balances					
Reserved for Encumbrances	56,686	4,114	6,084,714	123,958	6,269,472
Reserved for Property Taxes	146,118	0	0	0	146,118
Unreserved, Undesignated, Reported in:					
General Fund	10,436,605	0	0	0	10,436,605
Special Revenue Funds (Deficit)	0	(65,050)	0	490,874	425,824
Capital Projects Funds	0	0	4,491,858	838,497	5,330,355
Total Fund Balances	10,639,409	(60,936)	10,576,572	1,453,329	22,608,374
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$14,855,467	\$40,367	\$12,152,952	\$1,513,621	\$28,562,407

Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Assets of Governmental Activities June 30, 2008

Total Governmental Funds Balances  Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because		\$22,608,374
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		11,457,906
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds:  Property Taxes Intergovernmental	227,826 930,407	
Total		1,158,233
An internal service fund is used by management to charge the costs of insurance to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in governmental activities in the statement of net assets.		31,226
In the statement of activities interest is accrued on outstanding debt, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due.		
Accrued Interest Payable		(3,751)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:  Compensated Absences Capital Lease Energy Conservation Bonds School Facilities Loan	(340,056) (40,459) (154,036) (4,701,000)	
Total		(5,235,551)
Net Assets of Governmental Activities		\$30,016,437

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Blanaces Governmental Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

D.	General	Adult Education	Ohio School Facilities Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues	¢2 925 227	60	\$0	60	\$2.025.227
Property Taxes	\$2,825,227	\$0 187,322		\$0	\$2,825,227 14,411,708
Intergovernmental Interest	5,374,462 525,880	187,322	8,239,275	610,649	947,548
Tuition and Fees	5,672	1,249,925	368,421 0	53,247 69,525	1,325,122
Rentals	18,025	1,249,923	0	09,323	18,025
Gifts and Donations	2,798	500	0	39,816	43,114
Customer Sales and Services	135,538	0	0	123,924	259,462
Payments on Lieu of Taxes	140,275	0	0	0	140,275
Miscellaneous	13,828	4,967	3,300	302	22,397
Total Revenues	9,041,705	1,442,714	8,610,996	897,463	19,992,878
Expenditures					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	58,651	0	0	133,951	192,602
Vocational	4,815,517	0	0	264,841	5,080,358
Adult/Continuing	0	1,258,558	0	44,800	1,303,358
Support Services:	465 401	2.6		66.405	500.010
Pupil	467,481	26	0	66,405	533,912
Instructional Staff	473,098	170,018	0	75,342	718,458
Board of Education	14,364	0	0	0	14,364
Administration Fiscal	564,344	235,474	0	12,483	812,301
Business	389,334 54,233	0	0	0	389,334 54,233
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,049,062	0	0	43,464	1,092,526
Central	22,227	0	0	5,000	27,227
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	0	0	0	211,373	211,373
Extracurricular Activities	39,468	0	0	0	39,468
Capital Outlay	0	0	4,725,292	0	4,725,292
Debt Service:	O	· ·	7,723,272	V	7,723,272
Principal Retirement	193,569	0	0	0	193,569
Interest and Fiscal Charges	247,727	0	0	0	247,727
Total Expenditures	8,389,075	1,664,076	4,725,292	857,659	15,636,102
Excess of Revenues Over					
(Under) Expenditures	652,630	(221,362)	3,885,704	39,804	4,356,776
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	897	0	0	0	897
Transfers In	0	175,000	0	194,091	369,091
Transfers Out	(369,091)	0	0	0	(369,091)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(368,194)	175,000	0	194,091	897
Net Change in Fund Balances	284,436	(46,362)	3,885,704	233,895	4,357,673
Fund Balances (Deficit) Beginning of Year - Restated (See Note 3)	10,354,973	(14,574)	6,690,868	1,219,434	18,250,701
Fund Balances (Deficit) End of Year	\$10,639,409	(\$60,936)	\$10,576,572	\$1,453,329	\$22,608,374

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$4,357,673
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.  Capital Outlay 5,009,777  Current Year Depreciation (292,075)  Total	4,717,702
Governmental funds only report the disposal of capital assets to the extent proceeds are received from the sale. In the statement of activities, a gain	
or loss is reported for each disposal. The difference is the net book value of the disposed assets.	(1,222)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.  Delinquent Property Taxes 96,792  Intergovernmental (8,239,275)	
Total	(8,142,483)
Repayments of energy conservation bonds, capital leases and the school facilities loan are an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayments reduce long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.	193,569
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as exenditures in governmental funds.	
Compensated Absences	(20,302)
In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding debt, whereas in governmental funds an interest expenditure is reported when due.	527
The internal service fund used by management to charge the costs of health net assets increases or reduces the interest expense on insurance is included in the statement of activities and not on the	
governmental fund expenditures.	4,224
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$1,109,688

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual General Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Total Revenues and Other Sources	\$9,408,458	\$9,408,458	\$9,947,865	\$539,407
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	9,439,034	9,473,311	8,980,932	492,379
Net Change in Fund Balance	(30,576)	(64,853)	966,933	1,031,786
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	10,028,422	10,028,422	10,028,422	0
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	75,742	75,742	75,742	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$10,073,588	\$10,039,311	\$11,071,097	\$1,031,786

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual Adult Education Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Total Revenues and Other Sources	\$1,981,956	\$1,733,956	\$1,747,807	\$13,851
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	1,739,001	1,777,249	1,775,111	2,138
Net Change in Fund Balance	242,955	(43,293)	(27,304)	15,989
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	31,506	31,506	31,506	0
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	11,999	11,999	11,999	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$286,460	\$212	\$16,201	\$15,989

Statement of Net Assets Proprietary Fund Type June 30, 2008

	Governmental Activities
	Internal Service
Assets	
Current Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$39,201
Liabilities Current Liabilities	
Claims Payable	7,975
Net Assets Unrestricted	\$31,226

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets
Proprietary Fund Type
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Governmental Activities
	Internal Service
Operating Revenues Charges for Services	\$69,642
Operating Expenses Purchased Services Claims	6,577 58,841
Total Operating Expenses	65,418
Change in Net Assets	4,224
Net Assets Beginning of Year	27,002
Net Assets End of Year	\$31,226

Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Fund Type
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Governmental Activities
	Internal Service
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Cash Received from Transactions with Other Funds	\$69,642
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(6,577)
Cash Payments for Claims	(54,879)
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	8,186
Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of Year	31,015
Cash and Cash Equivalents End of Year	\$39,201
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:	
Operating Income	\$4,224
Adjustments: Increase in Claims Payable	3,962
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Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$8,186
See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements	

Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets
Fiduciary Funds
June 30, 2008

	Private Purpose Trust Scholarship	Agency
<b>Assets</b> Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$16,327	\$23,932
Liabilities Due to Students	\$0	\$23,932
Net Assets Held in Trust for Scholarships	\$16,327	

Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets
Private Purpose Trust Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Private Purpose Trust
Additions	Scholarship
Interest	\$694
<b>Deductions</b> Payments in Accordance with Trust Agreements	617
Change in Net Assets	77
Net Assets Beginning of Year	16,250
Net Assets End of Year	\$16,327
See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements	

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

## **Note 1 - Description of the Center and Reporting Entity**

The Knox County Career Center (the "Center") is a body politic and corporate established for the purpose of exercising the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the Constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Center is a joint vocational center as defined by Section 3311.18 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Center includes six member school districts spread throughout Coshocton, Delaware, Holmes, Knox, Licking, Morrow and Richland counties.

The Center is a jointly governed organization operating under a seven member board: three members are appointed by the Knox County Educational Service Center Board, three by the City of Mount Vernon School Board, and one by the Richland County Educational Service Center Board. Each Board member is elected to their home district and then appointed to the Center's board. The Center provides educational services as authorized by state statute and/or federal guidelines. The Center employs 72 certified employees and 26 noncertified employees who provide services to 640 students and other community members.

## Reporting Entity

A reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure that the basic financial statements are not misleading. The primary government of the Center consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the Center. For Knox County Career Center, this includes the agencies and departments that provide the following services: general operations, food service, preschool and student related activities of the Center.

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

The Center participates in a jointly governed organization and two public entity risk pools. These organizations are the Tri-Rivers Educational Computer Association, the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program and the Ohio School Plan. These organizations are presented in Notes 17 and 18 to the basic financial statements.

## **Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The financial statements of the Center have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Center also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) statements and interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, to its governmental and to its internal service fund unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. Following are the more significant of the Center's accounting policies.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

## A. Basis of Presentation

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

Government-wide Financial Statements The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the Center as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The activity of the internal service fund is eliminated to avoid "doubling up" revenues and expenses. These statements usually distinguish between those activities of the Center that are governmental and those that are considered business-type. The Center, however, has no business-type activities.

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

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

## B. Fund Accounting

The Center uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The various funds of the Center are grouped into the categories governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

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

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

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

*Adult Education Fund* – This fund is used to account for transactions made in connection with adult education classes.

*Ohio School Facilities Project Fund* — This fund is used to account for transactions made in connection with the Ohio School Facilities Project for both the State funded portion and locally funded portion.

The other governmental funds of the Center account for grants and other resources whose uses are restricted to a particular purpose.

**Proprietary Fund Type** Proprietary funds reporting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net assets, financial position and cash flows. Proprietary funds are classified as enterprise or internal service; the Center has no enterprise funds.

*Internal Service Fund* The internal service fund accounts for the financing of services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the Center on a cost reimbursement basis. The Center's only internal service fund is a self insurance fund that accounts for dental and vision claims of the Center's employees.

**Fiduciary Funds** Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net assets and changes in net assets. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds, and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the Center under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the Center's own programs. The Center's only trust fund is a private purpose trust which accounts for a college scholarship program for students. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The Center's agency funds account for student activities.

#### C. Measurement Focus

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

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

Like the government-wide statements, the internal service fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of this fund is included on the statement of net assets. The statement of changes in fund net assets presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the Center finances and meets the cash flow needs of its internal service fund activity.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

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

## D. Basis of Accounting

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

**Revenues - Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions** Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the Center, available means expected to be received within sixty days of fiscal year end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the Center receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (See Note 7). Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the Center must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Center on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year end: property taxes available as an advance, grants, interest, tuition and student fees.

**Deferred Revenue** Deferred revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Property taxes for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2008, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2009 operations, have been recorded as deferred revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are also recorded as deferred revenue.

On governmental fund financial statements, receivables that will not be collected within the available period have also been reported as deferred revenue.

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

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

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

## E. Budgetary Process

All funds, other than agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the appropriation resolution and the certificate of estimated resources, which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amounts that the Board of Education may appropriate. The appropriation resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at a level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board of Education at the fund level. Budgetary modifications at this level require a resolution of the Board of Education.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original and final budgeted amounts in the budgetary statements reflect the amounts in the certificate when the original and final appropriations were adopted.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment by the Board throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations may not exceed estimated revenues. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried over from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

#### F. Cash and Investments

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

During fiscal year 2008, investments were limited to Federal National Mortgage Association Bonds, Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds, Federal Farm Credit Bank Bonds, Negotiable Certificates of Deposit and STAROhio.

Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts, such as nonnegotiable certificates of deposit, are reported at cost.

STAROhio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAROhio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAROhio are valued at STAROhio's share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2008.

By Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2008 amounted to \$525,880, which includes \$26,294 assigned from other Center funds.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Center are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

## G. Inventory

Inventories are presented at cost on a first-in, first-out basis and are expended/expensed when used. Inventories consist of materials and supplies held for consumption and donated and purchased food.

## H. Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2008, are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of purchase and an expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which the services are consumed.

## I. Capital Assets

All capital assets of the Center are classified as general capital assets. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net assets but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and reductions during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Center maintains a capitalization threshold of five hundred dollars. The Center does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized.

All reported capital assets, other than land and construction in progress, are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description	Estimated Lives
Buildings and Improvements	100 years
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	5-25 years
Vehicles	10-15 years

## J. Interfund Balances

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables." These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column of the statement of net assets.

## K. Compensated Absences

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the termination method. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that benefits will result in termination payments. The liability is an estimate based on the Center's past experience of making termination payments.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

For governmental funds, compensated absences are recognized as liabilities and expenditures to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. These amounts are recorded in the account "matured compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have been resigned or retired will be paid. The non-current portion of the liability is not reported.

#### L. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

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

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

#### M. Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Center or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. The government-wide statement of net assets reports \$12,986,033 of restricted net assets, of which none is restricted by enabling legislation. Net assets restricted for other purposes include instructional activities and food service operations.

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

#### N. Fund Balance Reserves

The Center reserves those portions of fund equity which are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available expendable resources and therefore are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund equity which is available for appropriation in future periods. Fund equity reserves have been established for encumbrances and property taxes.

The reserve for property taxes represents taxes recognized as revenue under generally accepted accounting principles but not available for appropriation under State statute.

#### O. Internal Activities

Transfers between governmental and business-type activities on the government-wide statements are reported in the same manner as general revenues. Internal allocations of overhead expenses from one function to another or within the same function are eliminated on the Statement of Activities.

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

#### P. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Board of Education and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. The Center had no extraordinary or special items during fiscal year 2008.

#### Q. Estimates

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

#### Note 3 – Change in Accounting Principles and Restatement of Fund Balance/Net Assets

#### A. Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2008, the School District has implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 45, "Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions", GASB Statement No. 48, "Sales and Pledges of Receivables and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets and Future Revenues", and GASB Statement No. 50, "Pension Disclosures".

GASB Statement No. 45 improves the relevance and usefulness of financial reporting by requiring systematic, accrual-basis measurement and recognition of OPEB costs over a period that approximates employees' years of service and providing information about actuarial accrued liabilities associated with OPEB and whether and to what extent progress is being made in funding the plan.

GASB Statement No. 48 addresses how to account for the exchange of an interest in expected cash flows from collecting specific receivables or specific future revenues for immediate cash payments. The statement established criteria used to determine whether the transaction should be recorded as revenue or as a liability (a sale or a collateralized borrowing). The implementation of this statement did not result in any change to the financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 50 requires employers contributing to defined benefit pension plans to include the legal or contractual maximum contribution rates in the notes to the financial statements. The implementation of this statement did not result in any change to the financial statements.

#### B. Restatement of Fund Balance

Intergovernmental receivable was understated at June 30, 2008 due to the Ohio School Facilities Grant. This restatement had the following effect on fund balance of the major and nonmajor funds of the School District as they were previously reported.

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	General	Adult Education	Ohio School Facilities Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total
Fund Balances, June 30, 2007 Ohio School Facilities Grant	\$10,354,973 0	(\$14,574) 0	\$6,655,866 35,002	\$1,219,434 0	\$18,215,699 35,002
Restated Fund Balances, June 30, 2007	\$10,354,973	(\$14,574)	\$6,690,868	\$1,219,434	\$18,250,701

#### C. Restatement of Net Assets

The School District's net assets were understated at June 30, 2007, due to the Ohio School Facilities Grant. The restatement had the following effect on the net assets of governmental activities as previously reported.

	Governmental
	Activities
Net Assets June 30, 2007	\$19,702,065
Ohio School Facilities Grant	9,204,684
Restated Net Assets June 30, 2007	\$28,906,749

#### Note 4 – Accountability

Fund balances at June 30, 2008, included the following individual fund deficits:

Special Revenue Funds:	
Preschool Grant	\$18,042
Carl D. Perkins Grant	14,192
Food Service	3,181
Adult Education	60,936
Adult Basic Literacy Education Grant	1,392

The special revenue deficit balances resulted from adjustments for accrued liabilities. The general fund is liable for any deficit in these funds and will provide operating transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur.

#### **Note 5 - Budgetary Basis of Accounting**

While the Center is reporting its financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balance on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual presented for the General Fund and major special revenue funds is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP (modified accrual) basis are as follows:

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

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- 2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the fund liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
- 3. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (GAAP basis).
- 4. Advances in and advances out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statements to the budgetary basis statements for the general fund and the adult education major special revenue fund.

#### Net Change in Fund Balance

		Adult
	General	Education
GAAP Basis	\$284,436	(\$46,362)
Net Adjustment for Revenue Accruals	750,463	5,093
Advances In	154,800	125,000
Net Adjustment for Expenditure Accruals	(9,726)	21,936
Advances Out	(149,800)	(125,000)
Encumbrances	(63,240)	(7,971)
Budget Basis	\$966,933	(\$27,304)

#### **Note 6 - Deposits and Investments**

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

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

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

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

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

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;

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

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

At year end, the Center has \$575 in undeposited cash on hand which is included as part of "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

#### **Deposits**

Custodial Credit Risk Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Center will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Center has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirement of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposit be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the Center or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured. At fiscal year-end, the Center's bank balance of \$6,222,044 was either insured by FDIC or collateralized.

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#### **Investments**

As of June 30, 2008, the Center had the following investments. All investments are in an internal investment pool.

	Carrying	Investment Maturities (in Years)		
	and Fair	Less		_
	Value	than 1	1-2	3-5
Investment in State			_	
Treasurer's Investment Pool	\$12,851,154	\$12,851,154	\$0	\$0
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	198,000	99,000	99,000	0
Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	3,997,310	0	0	3,997,310
Federal Farm Credit Bank Bonds	494,220	0	0	494,220
Federal National Mortgage Association Bonds	503,440	0	0	503,440
Total Investments	\$18,044,124	\$12,950,154	\$99,000	\$4,994,970

*Interest Rate Risk* The Center has no investment policy that addresses interest rate risk. State statute requires that an investment mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Center, and that an investment must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

*Credit Risk* The Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds, Federal Farm Credit Bank Bonds and Federal National Mortgage Association Bonds carry a rating of AAA by Fitch. STAROhio carries a rating of AAAm by Standard and Poor's. Ohio law requires that STAROhio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service. The Center has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices.

**Concentration of Credit Risk** The Center places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer. The following is the Center's allocation as of June 30, 2008:

	Percentage
	of Investments
STAROhio	71.2 %
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	1.1
Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	22.2
Federal Farm Credit Bank	2.7
Federal National Mortgage Association Bonds	2.8

#### **Note 7 - Property Taxes**

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the Center fiscal year runs from July through June. First half tax collections are received by the Center in the second half of the fiscal year. Second half tax distributions occur in the first half of the following fiscal year.

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility and tangible personal property (used in business) located in the Center. Real property tax revenue received in calendar 2008 represents collections of

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calendar year 2007 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2008 were levied after April 1, 2007, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2007, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State law at thirty-five percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar 2008 represents collections of calendar year 2007 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2008 became a lien December 31, 2006, were levied after April 1, 2007 and are collected in 2008 with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at thirty-five percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

Tangible personal property tax revenue received during calendar 2008 (other than public utility property) represents the collection of 2008 taxes. Tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2008 were levied after April 1, 2007, on the value as of December 31, 2007. In prior years, Tangible personal property was assessed at twenty-five percent of true value for capital assets and twenty-three percent of true value for inventory. The tangible personal property tax is being phased out – the assessment percentage for all property, including inventory for 2008 is 6.25 percent. This will be reduced to zero for 2009. Payments by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due April 30; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20. Tangible personal property taxes paid by April 30 are usually received by the Center prior to June 30.

The Center receives property taxes from Coshocton, Delaware, Holmes, Knox, Licking, Morrow, and Richland Counties. The County Auditors periodically advance to the Center its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2008, are available to finance fiscal year 2007 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real property, public utility property and tangible personal property taxes which are measurable as of June 30, 2008 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount of real property taxes available as an advance at June 30 was levied to finance current fiscal year operations and is reported as revenue at fiscal year end. The portion of the receivable not levied to finance current fiscal year operations is offset by a credit to deferred revenue.

The amount available as an advance in the general fund was \$146,118 at June 30, 2008 and \$864,114 at June 30, 2007.

On a full accrual basis, collectible delinquent property taxes have been recorded as a receivable and revenue, while on a modified accrual basis the revenue has been deferred.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2008 taxes were collected are:

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	2007 Second Half Collections		2008 First Half Collections	
	Amount	mount Percent Amount		Percent
Agricultural/Residential	_			
and Other Real Estate	\$1,113,276,440	89.39 %	\$1,125,199,360	90.69 %
Public Utility Personal	48,666,768	3.91	42,858,270	3.45
Tangible Personal Property	83,440,037	6.70	72,688,684	5.86
Total	\$1,245,383,245	100.00 %	\$1,240,746,314	100.00 %
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation	\$6.40		\$6.40	

#### **Note 8 - Receivables**

Receivables at June 30, 2008, consisted of taxes, accounts (customer services, student fees and insurance premiums), and intergovernmental grants. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs and the current fiscal year guarantee of Federal funds. All receivables except delinquent property taxes are expected to be collected within one year.

**Note 9 - Capital Assets** 

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, was as follows:

	Balance 6/30/07	Additions	Reductions	Balance 6/30/08
Governmental Activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated	<b>** ** * * * * * * * *</b>		•	<b>0.40 7.</b> 64
Land	\$40,564	\$0	\$0	\$40,564
Construction in progress	398,048	4,788,871	0	5,186,919
Total capital assets not being depreciated	438,612	4,788,871	0	5,227,483
Capital assets being depreciated				
Buildings and improvements	6,959,742	0	0	6,959,742
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	2,541,488	220,906	(22,339)	2,740,055
Vehicles	134,893	0	0	134,893
Total capital assets being depreciated	9,636,123	220,906	(22,339)	9,834,690
Accumulated depreciation				
Buildings and improvements	(1,735,074)	(71,114)	0	(1,806,188)
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	(1,527,828)	(207,844)	21,117	(1,714,555)
Vehicles	(70,407)	(13,117)	0	(83,524)
Total accumulated depreciation	(3,333,309)	(292,075)	21,117	(3,604,267)
Capital assets being depreciated, net	6,302,814	(71,169)	(1,222)	6,230,423
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$6,741,426	\$4,717,702	(\$1,222)	\$11,457,906

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

Instruction:	
Regular	\$2,002
Vocational	175,271
Adult/Continuing	29,115
Support Services:	
Pupil	4,998
Instructional Staff	21,046
Administration	19,726
Fiscal	5,680
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	32,697
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	1,540
Total Depreciation Expense	\$292,075

#### Note 10 - Risk Management

#### A. Property and Liability

The Center is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters. The Center maintains comprehensive insurance coverage with a private carrier for liability coverage. Real property, building contents and vehicles are through Ohio School Plan. The Center joined together with other school districts in Ohio to participate in the Ohio School Plan (OSP), a public entity insurance purchasing pool. Each individual participant enters into an agreement with the OSP and its premium is based on types of coverage, limits of coverage, and deductibles that it selects. The Center pays its annual premium to the OSP (see Note 18). The Center has general liability coverage with \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 general aggregate.

Settlements have not exceeded coverage in any of the last three fiscal years. There has not been a significant reduction in coverage from the prior year.

#### B. Workers' Compensation

The Center participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (See Note 18). The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the Center by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participants is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all participants in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Participation in the GRP is limited to participants that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Gates McDonald & Company provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

#### C. Employee Medical Benefits

The Center offers vision and dental insurance to all eligible employees through a self-insurance fund. The Center has a third party administrator, Medical Claims Services, review and administer the claims activity. The claims liability of \$7,975 reported in the internal service fund at June 30, is based on an estimate provided by the third party administrator and the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board

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Statement No. 30, which requires that a liability for unpaid claim costs, including estimates of costs relating to incurred but not reported claims, be reported. The estimate was not affected by incremental claim adjustment expenses and does not include other allocated or unallocated claim adjustment expenses. Changes in claims activity for the past three fiscal years are as follows:

	Balance at	Current		Balance at
	Beginning of	Year	Claims	End of
	Fiscal Year	Claims	Payments	Fiscal Year
2007	\$2,038	\$58,008	\$56,033	\$4,013
2008	4,013	58,841	54,879	7,975

#### Note 11 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

#### A. School Employee Retirement System

Plan Description - The School District contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer pension plan. SERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746.

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the School District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current School District rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the School District's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits; for fiscal year 2008, 9.16 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to a statutory maximum amount of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. The School District's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$111,071, \$116,944 and \$117,170 respectively; 100.00 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006.

#### B. State Teachers Retirement System

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

New members have a choice of three retirement plans, a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on a member's lifetime contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment.

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The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal. The Combined Plan offers features of both the DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The DB portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60; the DC portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

Funding Policy - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2007, the portion used to fund pension obligations was also 13 percent. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The School District's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$657,443, \$637,148, and \$571,798 respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2008 were \$12,509 made by the School District and \$24,717 made by the plan members.

#### **Note 12 – Postemployment Benefits**

#### A. School Employee Retirement System

Plan Description – The School District participates in two cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit OPEB plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries, a Health Care Plan and a Medicare Part B Plan. The Health Care Plan includes hospitalization and physicians' fees through several types of plans including HMO's, PPO's and traditional indemnity plans as well as a prescription drug program. The Medicare Part B Plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries up to a statutory limit. Benefit provisions and the obligations to contribute are established by the System based on authority granted by State statute. The financial reports of both Plans are included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which is available by contacting SERS at 300 East Broad St., Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746.

Funding Policy – State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401h. For 2008, 4.18 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined amount; for 2008, this amount was \$19,181.

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

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The School District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$50,685, \$49,345, and \$49,976 respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For 2008, this actuarially required allocation was 0.66 percent of covered payroll. The School District's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$8,003, \$7,952, and \$9,326 respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006.

#### B. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description – The School District contributes to the cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS Ohio. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS Ohio which may be obtained by visiting <a href="https://www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a> or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy – Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For 2008, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The School District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$50,573, \$49,011, and \$45,814 respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006.

#### **Note 13 - Other Employee Benefits**

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave benefits are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. Classified employees earn twelve to twenty seven days of vacation per fiscal year, depending upon length of service. Accumulated, unused vacation time is paid to classified employees and administrators upon termination of employment. Teachers do not earn vacation time.

All employees are entitled to a sick leave credit equal to one and one-quarter days for each month of service. This sick leave will either be absorbed by time off due to illness or injury or, within certain limitations, be paid to the employee upon retirement. The amount paid to certified and classified employees upon retirement is limited to one-third of accumulated sick days not to exceed 276 days. The total maximum payment is for 92 days.

#### Note 14 – Capital Lease

During fiscal years 2006 and 2007, the Center entered into lease agreements for equipment. The leases meet the criteria of a capital lease as defined by Financial Accounting Standards No. 13, "Accounting for Leases," which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee. Capital lease payments are reflected as debt service expenditures on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance for the governmental funds.

Principal payments in fiscal year 2008 were \$10,904 for governmental funds.

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The carrying value of the leased equipment at June 30, 2008 was \$51,117, the initial cost of \$57,613 net of accumulated depreciation of \$6,496.

The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments required under the capital lease and the present value of the minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2008:

Fiscal Year	Governmental Activities		
Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	
2009	\$11,373	\$2,930	
2010	10,915	2,011	
2011	11,859	1,067	
2012	6,312	154	
Total	\$40,459	\$6,162	

#### Note 15 - Long-term Obligations

The changes in the Center's long-term obligations during fiscal year 2008were as follows:

	Outstanding 6/30/07	Additions	Reductions	Outstanding 6/30/08	Amounts Due in One year
Energy Conservation Bonds 4.87%					
Issued January 15, 1999	\$175,701	\$0	\$21,665	\$154,036	\$22,665
Capital Leases	51,363	0	10,904	40,459	11,373
School Facilities Loan 4.84%					
Issued August 17, 2006	4,862,000	0	161,000	4,701,000	169,000
Compensated Absences	319,754	340,056	319,754	340,056	59,133
Total General Long-Term Obligations	\$5,408,818	\$317,826	\$513,323	\$5,235,551	\$262,171

Compensated absences will be paid from the general fund and the adult education special revenue fund. The Energy Conservation Bonds were used to update lighting and heating and air conditioning. The bonds are paid from property tax revenue and mature on January 15, 2014. The Energy Conservation Bonds were originally issued in the amount of \$557,414. The School Facilities loan will be used for the local portion of the Ohio School Facilities Commission Project. The loan is paid from property tax revenue and matures June 30, 2026.

The Center's overall legal debt margin was \$111,513,132 with an unvoted debt margin of \$1,240,746 at June 30, 2008. Principal and interest requirements to retire the debt outstanding at June 30, 2008, are as follows:

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	Energy Conservation Bonds So		School Faci	School Facilities Loan		
Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Total	
2009	\$22,665	\$7,502	\$169,000	\$227,528	\$426,750	
2010	23,827	6,395	177,000	219,349	426,571	
2011	24,987	5,235	186,000	210,782	427,004	
2012	26,204	4,018	195,000	201,780	427,002	
2013	27,480	2,741	205,000	192,342	427,563	
2014-2026	28,873	1,403	3,769,000	1,397,550	5,196,771	
Total	\$154,036	\$27,294	\$4,701,000	\$2,449,331	\$7,331,661	

#### **Note 16 - Set-Asides**

The Center is required by State statute to annually set aside in the General Fund an amount based on a statutory formula for the purchase of textbooks and other instructional materials and an equal amount for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by the end of the fiscal year or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the year must be held in cash at year end. These amounts must be carried forward to be used for the same purposes in future years. In prior years, the Center was also required to set aside money for budget stabilization.

The following cash basis information describes the change in the fiscal year end set aside amounts for textbooks, capital acquisition, and budget stabilization. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

	Capital Improvements Reserve	Textbook Instructional Materials Reserve
Set-aside Reserve Balance as of June 30, 2007	\$0	\$0
Current Year Set-aside Requirement	103,105	103,105
Qualifying Disbursements	(103,105)	(103,105)
Totals	\$0	\$0
Set-aside Reserve Balance as of June 30, 2008	\$0	\$0

#### **Note 17- Jointly Governed Organization**

Tri-Rivers Educational Computer Association (TRECA) is a jointly governed organization among 31 public school districts within the boundaries of Delaware, Marion, Morrow, Knox and Wyandot Counties. TRECA was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to administrative and instructional functions among member school districts. TRECA operates under the direction of a Board consisting of two representatives from each county, elected by a majority vote of all charter member school districts within each county. The continued existence of TRECA is not dependent on the School District's continued participation and no equity interest exists. TRECA has no outstanding debt. To obtain financial information write to: Tri-Rivers Educational Computer Association, Mike Carder, who serves as Director, 2222 Marion-Mount Gilead Road, Marion, Ohio 43302. The Center contributed \$24,283 to TRECA during fiscal year 2008.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

#### **Note 18 - Public Entity Risk Pools**

#### A. Insurance Purchasing Pool

Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program - The Center participates in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three member Board of directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the program. Each year, the participating Centers pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

#### B. Shared Risk Pool

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

#### **Note 19 - Contingencies**

#### A. Grants

The Center received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditures of funds received under these programs generally require compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the general fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Center at June 30, 2008.

#### B. Litigation

The Center is in Phase II of a significant renovation project. The project is funded 75 percent by the Ohio School Facilities Commission and 25 percent by the Center. The Center is aware that some of the contractors on the project may be preparing claims related to their work. Those claims have not materialized in a formal manner that would allow us to quantify them.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

#### **Note 20 – Interfund Transactions**

#### A. Interfund Balances

	Interfund Receivable
Interfund Payable	General
Nonmajor Governmental Fund: Uniform School Supply	\$6,000

The interfund payable is for grant monies that were not received by fiscal year end. The Center expects to receive the grant monies and repay the advance within the next fiscal year.

#### B. Interfund Transfers

Transfers made during the year ended June 30, 2008 were as follows:

	Transfers From
Transfers To	General
Major Governmental Fund: Adult Education Nonmajor Governmental Fund:	\$175,000
OSFC Maintenance Fund	194,091
Total	\$369,091

The transfer from the General Fund to the Adult Education Fund was to cover the difference in revenue and expenses of the adult education program that sometimes does not generate enough tuition revenue to cover expenses. The transfer from the General Fund to the OSFC Maintenance Fund is to meet the requirements for the Ohio School Facilities Commission to fund future maintenance costs for the addition and renovation of the Center.

Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor/ Program Title	Pass Through Entity #	Federal CFDA Number	Receipts	Non-Cash Receipts	Disbursements	Non-Cash Disbursements
United States Department of Agriculture  Passed through Ohio Department of Education	_					
Nutrition Cluster:						
School Breakfast Program	05-PU	10.553	. ,	\$ -	\$ 20,536	\$ -
National School Lunch program	LL-P4	10.555	70,120	-	70,120	
Total Nutrition Cluster			90,656	-	90,656	-
Child and Adult Care Food Program	CC-MO	10.558	1,852	-	1,852	-
Food Donation	N/A	10.550		11,853	-	11,853
<b>Total United States Department of Agriculture</b>			92,508	11,853	92,508	11,853
<b>United States Department of Education</b>						
Direct from the Federal Agency						
Student Financial Aid Cluster						
Federal Direct Student Loans	N	84.268	663,877	-	663,877	-
Federal Pell Grant Program	N	84.063	290,563	-	290,563	-
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants	N	84.007	11,202	-	11,202	
Total Student Financial Aid Cluster			965,642	-	965,642	-
Rural Education	N	84.358	50,019	-	50,019	-
Passed through the Madison Local School District						
Vocational Education - Basic Grants to States  Passed through Ohio Department of Education	N/A	84.048	35,254	-	35,625	-
Vocational Educational - Basic Grants to States	20-C1	84.048	163,875	-	163,875	-
			199,129	-	199,500	-
Passed through Ohio Department of Education						
Adult Education - State Grant Program	AB-S1	84.002	80,174	-	79,607	-
State Grants for Innovative Programs	C2-S1	84.298	1,589	-	1,589	-
Safe & Drug Free Schools and Communities - State Grants	DR-S1	84.186	1,324	-	1,324	-
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	TR-S1	84.367	3,693	-	3,693	
<b>Total United States Department of Education</b>			1,301,570	-	1,301,374	
Total Federal Financial Assistance			\$1,394,078	\$ 11,853	\$ 1,393,882	\$ 11,853

N/A - Not Available

N - direct from the federal government

See Accompanying Notes to the Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures

Notes to the Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

#### NOTE A – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying schedule of federal awards expenditures includes the federal grant activity of the Knox County Career Center and is presented on the cash basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.* Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

#### NOTE B - FOOD DONATION

Program regulations do not require the Center to maintain separate inventory records for purchased food and food received from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. This nonmonetary assistance (expenditures) is reported in the Schedule at the fair market value of the commodities received.

#### NOTE C - GUARANTEED STUDENT LOANS

Nonmonetary assistance is reported in the schedule at the dollar amount of guaranteed student loans disbursed.

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Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards* 

Members of the Board Knox County Career Center 306 Martinsburg Road Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Knox County Career Center (the Center), Knox County, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Center's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated January 16, 2009 in which we noted the District implemented GASB Statements No. 45, 48 and 50. 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.

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

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Districts internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2008-001 to be a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, resulting in more than a remote likelihood that that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. We consider the item 2008-001 described above to be a material weakness.

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

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

The District's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. We did not audit the District's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the management, members of the Board, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

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January 16, 2009

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Report on Compliance With Requirements Applicable to Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133

Knox County Career Center Knox County 306 Martinsburg Road Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050

#### **Compliance**

We have audited the compliance of the Knox County Career Center, Knox County (the Center), with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that apply to its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2008. The summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs identifies the Center's major federal program. The Center is responsible for complying with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal program. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Center's compliance based on our audit.

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 OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether noncompliance occurred with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect a major federal program. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Center's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Center's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Center complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that apply to its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2008.

#### **Internal Control Over Compliance**

The Center's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Center's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could directly and materially affect a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Center's internal control over compliance.

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A control deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the entity's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that the Center's internal control will not prevent or detect material noncompliance with a federal program's compliance requirement.

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

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, Members of the Board, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc.

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January 16, 2009

Knox County Career Center Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs OMB Circular A-133 Section .505 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

#### 1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unqualified	
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	Yes	
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any other significant internal control deficiencies reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No	
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No	
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?	No	
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any other significant internal control deficiencies reported for major federal programs?	No	
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Program's Compliance Opinion	Unqualified	
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under section .510?	No	
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Student Financial Aid Cluster: CFDA# 84.268, 84.063, and 84.007.	
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs  Type A: > \$300,000 Type B: all others		
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	Yes	

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs OMB Circular A-133 Section .505 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

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

#### Finding Number 2008-001

#### **Material Weakness**

The Center identified material financial statement misstatements which should have been prevented or detected by District's internal controls over financial reporting. Material misstatements were identified in the following areas:

• Improperly recorded intergovernmental receivable and grant revenue in fiscal year 2007

Prior period adjustments had to be made by the District to correct beginning balances in the Ohio School Facilities Project Fund and beginning net assets of Governmental Activities fund for improperly recording intergovernmental receivable and grant revenue.

The District should implement application and monitoring controls over financial reporting to ensure that all financial statement transactions are accurately and completely reported.

#### **Client Response**

The improperly recorded intergovernmental receivable was corrected by the District before the FY2008 Financial Statements were submitted by making the restatement journal entries. The error was discovered by the District because of internal controls in place by the District. The error was missed by both Local Government Services Division of the Auditor of State in the review of the compilation of the FY2007 Statements and the audit from Balestra, Harr & Sherer, CPA's of the FY2007 Financial Statements.

Potential receivables will be reviewed closely in the future to insure proper reporting.

#### 3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None.



# Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

# KNOX COUNTY CAREER CENTER

#### **KNOX COUNTY**

#### **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED MARCH 19, 2009