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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Columbiana County Educational Service Center Columbiana County 38720 Saltwell Road Lisbon, Ohio 44432

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Columbiana County Educational Service Center, Columbiana County, Ohio (the Service Center), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Service Center's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Service 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 the 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 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 Columbiana County Educational Service Center, Columbiana County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2011, and the respective changes in financial position and where applicable, cash flows, thereof and for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 3 to the basic financial statements, the Service Center implemented Government Accounting Standards Board Statement 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions".

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 17, 2012, on our consideration of the Service Center's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. 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.

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

We conducted our audit to opine on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Service Center's basic financial statements taken as a whole. The federal awards expenditure schedule provides additional information 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. The federal awards expenditure schedule is management's responsibility, and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. This schedule was subject to the auditing procedures we applied to the basic financial statements. We also applied certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling this information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, this information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

January 17, 2012

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

The management's discussion and analysis of the Columbiana County Educational Service Center's (the "Center") financial performance provides an overall review of the Center's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Center's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Center's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2011 are as follows:

- The Center restated net assets at June 30, 2010 as described in Note 3.C to the basic financial statements. In total, net assets of governmental activities increased \$369,147 which represents a 716.96% increase from fiscal year 2010.
- General revenues accounted for \$482,898 in revenue or 4.53% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales, grants and contributions accounted for \$10,180,657 or 95.47% of total revenues of \$10,663,555.
- The Center had \$10,294,408 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$10,180,657 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues supporting governmental activities (primarily unrestricted grants and entitlements) of \$482,898 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- The Center's major governmental fund is the general fund. The Center restated fund balances at June 30, 2010 as described in Note 3.B to the basic financial statements. The general fund had \$9,956,332 in revenues and other financing sources and \$9,390,323 in expenditures and other financing uses. During fiscal year 2011, the general fund's fund balance increased \$566,009 from \$69,670 to \$635,679.

Using these Basic Financial Statements

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand 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 nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the Center, the general fund is by far the most significant fund, and the only governmental fund reported as a major fund.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

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 2011?" The statement of net assets and the statement of activities answer this question. These statements include *all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take 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 financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the Center's facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, the governmental activities include the Center's programs and services, including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, and extracurricular activities.

The Center's statement of net assets and statement of activities can be found on pages 13-14 of this report.

Reporting the Center's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the Center's major governmental funds begins on page 9. 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 only major governmental fund is the general fund.

Governmental Funds

Most of the Center's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual* accounting, which measures cash and all other *financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund financial 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 basic financial statements. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 15-18 of this report.

Proprietary Fund

The Center maintains proprietary funds. Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the Center's various functions. The Center's internal service funds account for medical/surgical and dental self-insurance, and a computer maintenance program. The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 19-21 of this report.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

Reporting the Center's Fiduciary Responsibilities

The Center acts in a trustee capacity as an agent for individuals or other entities. These activities are reported in agency funds. The Center's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate statement of fiduciary net assets on page 22. These activities are excluded from the Center's other financial statements because the assets cannot be utilized by the Center to finance its operations.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. These notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 23-45 of this report.

Supplementary Information

The Center has presented a budgetary comparison schedule for the general fund as supplementary information on pages 46-48 of this report.

The Center as a Whole

The statement of net assets provides the perspective of the Center as a whole. The table below provides a summary of the Center's net assets at June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010. The net assets of the Center were restated at June 30, 2010 as described in Note 3.C to the basic financial statements.

	Net A	ssets
	Governmental Activities 2011	Restated Governmental Activities 2010
Assets		
Current and other assets	\$ 1,849,586	\$ 1,463,185
Capital assets, net	713,932	708,327
Total assets	2,563,518	2,171,512
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Current liabilities	1,071,332	1,151,006
Long-term liabilities	1,071,551	969,018
Total liabilities	2,142,883	2,120,024
Net Assets		
Invested in capital		
assets, net of related debt	184,213	218,584
Restricted	12,013	7,026
Unrestricted (deficit)	224,409	(174,122)
Total net assets	<u>\$ 420,635</u>	\$ 51,488

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

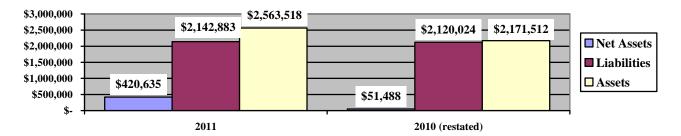
Over time, net assets can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2011, the Center's assets exceeded liabilities by \$420,635. Of this total, \$12,013 is restricted in use.

At year-end, capital assets represented 27.85% of total assets. Capital assets include land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. Capital assets, net of related debt to acquire the assets at June 30, 2011, were \$184,213. These capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending. Although the Center's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets may not be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of the Center's net assets, \$12,013, represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets of \$224,409 may be used to meet the Center's ongoing obligations to the students and creditors.

The table below illustrates the Center's assets, liabilities and net assets at June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010. The net assets of the Center were restated at June 30, 2010 as described in Note 3.C to the basic financial statements.

Governmental Activities



The table below shows the change in net assets for fiscal years 2011 and 2010. The net assets of the Center were restated at June 30, 2010 as described in Note 3.C to the basic financial statements.

Change in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities	Restated Governmental Activities 2010
Revenues		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services and sales	\$ 8,472,027	\$ 7,235,195
Operating grants and contributions	1,708,630	2,170,958
General revenues:		
Grants and entitlements	459,302	426,974
Investment earnings	620	2,676
Other	22,976	4,209
Total revenues	10,663,555	9,840,012

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

Change in Net Assets

	_	Restated
	Governmental	Governmental
	Activities	Activities
	2011	2010
<u>Expenses</u>		
Program expenses:		
Instruction:		
Regular	\$ 962,033	\$ 918,461
Special	1,904,000	2,028,363
Support services:		
Pupil	2,405,314	2,310,486
Instructional staff	3,077,853	2,997,986
Board of education	32,545	29,621
Administration	624,700	453,318
Fiscal	171,737	199,183
Operations and maintenance	150,601	138,798
Pupil transportation	537,459	555,591
Central	348,484	351,385
Operation of non-instructional services:		
Other non-instructional services	55,121	66,824
Interest and fiscal charges	24,561	24,296
Total expenses	10,294,408	10,074,312
Change in net assets	369,147	(234,300)
Net assets at beginning of year (restated)	51,488	285,788
Net assets at end of year	\$ 420,635	\$ 51,488

Governmental Activities

Net assets of the Center's governmental activities increased \$369,147. Total governmental expenses of \$10,294,408 were offset by program revenues of \$10,180,657 and general revenues of \$482,898. Program revenues supported 98.90% of the total governmental expenses.

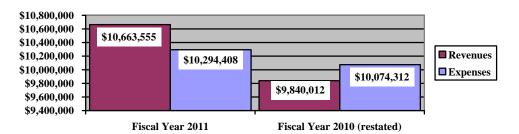
The primary source of revenue for governmental activities is derived from charges for services. This revenue source represents 79.45% of total governmental revenue.

The largest expense of the Center is for instructional staff support services programs. Instructional staff support services expenses totaled \$3,077,853 or 29.90% of total governmental expenses for fiscal year 2011.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

The graph below presents the Center's governmental activities revenue and expenses for fiscal years 2011 and 2010. The net assets of the Center were restated at June 30, 2010 as described in Note 3.C to the basic financial statements.

Governmental Activities - Revenues and Expenses



The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. The following table shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services for fiscal years 2011 and 2010. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by unrestricted State grants and entitlements. The net assets of the Center were restated at June 30, 2010 as described in Note 3.C to the basic financial statements.

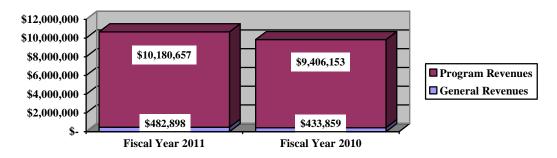
	G	overnmental	Activ	rities				
	Т	otal Cost of Services 2011		et Cost of Services 2011	Т	Restated of Cost of Services 2010	N	Restated et Cost of Services 2010
Program expenses								
Instruction:								
Regular	\$	962,033	\$	934,278	\$	918,461	\$	745,668
Special		1,904,000		(728,665)		2,028,363		(625,286)
Support services:								
Pupil		2,405,314		(140,921)		2,310,486		115,453
Instructional staff		3,077,853		(167,746)		2,997,986		35,967
Board of education		32,545		32,325		29,621		29,621
Administration		624,700		(29,608)		453,318		32,111
Fiscal		171,737		170,630		199,183		197,133
Operations and maintenance		150,601		150,601		138,798		138,798
Pupil transportation		537,459		(163,578)		555,591		(106,390)
Central		348,484		(18,761)		351,385		35,797
Operation of non-instructional services:								
Other non-instructional services		55,121		50,635		66,824		44,991
Interest and fiscal charges	_	24,561		24,561		24,296		24,296
Total expenses	\$	10,294,408	\$	113,751	\$	10,074,312	\$	668,159

For all governmental activities, program revenue support is 98.90% at June 30, 2011 and 93.37% at June 30, 2010. The Center's charges for services, as a whole, are by far the primary support for Center's students.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

The graph below presents the Center's governmental activities revenue for fiscal years 2011 and 2010.

Governmental Activities - General and Program Revenues



The Center's Funds

The Center's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$611,098, which is greater than last year's total restated fund deficit of \$63,712 (as described in Note 3.B). The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balance as of June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010.

		Restated		
	Fund Balance	Fund Balance		
	(Deficit)	(Deficit)		Percentage
	June 30, 2011	June 30, 2010	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Change</u>
General	\$ 635,679	\$ 69,670	\$ 566,009	812.41 %
Other governmental	(24,581)	(133,382)	108,801	81.57 %
Total	\$ 611,098	\$ (63,712)	\$ 674,810	1,059.16 %

General Fund

The Center's general fund balance increased \$566,009.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

The table that follows assists in illustrating the financial activities and fund balance of the general fund.

				Restated				
	2011			2010		Increase/	Percentage	
	_	Amount	_	Amount	(Decrease)_	Change	
Revenues								
Intergovernmental	\$	1,274,333	\$	1,238,751	\$	35,582	2.87	%
Tuition		7,125,483		5,995,124		1,130,359	18.85	%
Earnings on investments		620		748		(128)	(17.11)	%
Services provided to other entities		1,383,674		1,300,587		83,087	6.39	%
Other revenues		28,479		6,875		21,604	314.24	%
Total	\$	9,812,589	\$	8,542,085	\$	1,270,504	14.87	%
Expenditures								
Instruction	\$	2,301,747	\$	2,105,756	\$	195,991	9.31	%
Support services		6,894,373		6,728,697		165,676	2.46	%
Non-instructional services		50,079		45,045		5,034	11.18	%
Capital outlay		78,959		77,948		1,011	1.30	%
Debt service		63,106		56,977		6,129	10.76	%
Total	\$	9,388,264	\$	9,014,423	\$	373,841	4.15	%

The overall revenues of the general fund increased \$1,270,504 or 14.87%. The most significant increase was in the area of tuition. Tuition revenue increased \$1,130,359 or 18.85%. This increase is mainly attributable to increased services provided by the Center to participating school districts and other entities during fiscal year 2011.

The expenditures of the general fund increased \$373,841 or 4.15%. The most significant increases were in the areas of instruction and support services. These increases are mainly attributable to increased programs and services provided by the Center that resulted in an increase in the cost of operations.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2011, the Center had \$713,932 invested in land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. This entire amount is reported in governmental activities. The following table shows June 30, 2011 balances compared to June 30, 2010.

Capital Assets at June 30 (Net of Depreciation)

	<u>Government</u>	ntal Activities
	2011	2010
Land	\$ 61,900	\$ 61,900
Land improvements	30,187	31,912
Building and improvements	428,684	461,341
Furniture and equipment	131,917	80,795
Vehicles	61,244	72,379
Total	\$ 713,932	\$ 708,327

The overall increase in capital assets of \$5,605 is due to capital outlays of \$78,959 exceeding depreciation expense of \$73,354 during the fiscal year.

See Note 8 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the Center's capital assets.

Debt Administration

At June 30, 2011, the Center had \$401,548 in loans payable and \$128,171 in capital lease obligations outstanding. The amount due within one year is \$52,180 and the remaining \$477,539 is due in more than one year. The following table summarizes the loans payable and capital lease obligations outstanding at June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2010.

Outstanding Debt, at Year End

	Governmental Activities	Governmental Activities 2010		
Capital lease obligations Loans payable	\$ 128,171 401,548	\$ 65,986 423,757		
Total	\$ 529,719	\$ 489,743		

See Note 10 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the Center's debt administration.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

Current Financial Related Activities

The Center relies heavily on contracts with local, city, and exempted school districts within Columbiana and Mahoning Counties, as well as State foundation revenue, and grants. The request for services from local, city, and exempted school districts, along with the Center's cash balance, provided the Center with the necessary funds to meet its operating expenses in fiscal year 2011. However, the future financial stability of the Center is not without concerns.

Currently, the legislation regarding Ohio's Regional Education Delivery System and the implementation of that by the Ohio Department of Education is an ongoing process. This system will directly impact the Education Service Centers in Ohio and the method used to fund them. What effect this legislation will have on future State funding and on the Center's financial operations is uncertain at this time.

Declining enrollment in Columbiana County remains a concern of the Center. State funding is based on average daily membership of Columbiana County school districts. Continued decline in enrollment will have a direct impact on State revenues received by Columbiana County school districts and the amount of services they will need from the Center.

Each year, different services are needed by participating school districts. Therefore, the Center is constantly reviewing their program activity to provide services while maintaining a financially solvent operation.

The Center's systems of internal control and procedures are reviewed throughout the year by management to ensure a cost efficient operation.

Contacting the Center's Financial Management

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 Ms. Penny Kale, Treasurer, Columbiana County Educational Service Center, 38720 Saltwell Road, Lisbon, Ohio 44432-8303.

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2011

	Governmental Activities		
Assets:			
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,276,002	
Cash with fiscal agent		6,345	
Receivables:			
Accounts		512,103	
Intergovernmental		49,922	
Prepayments		3,135	
Unamortized loan issue costs		2,079	
Capital assets:			
Land		61,900	
Depreciable capital assets, net		652,032	
Total capital assets, net		713,932	
Total assets		2,563,518	
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable		63,920	
Accrued wages and benefits		806,900	
Pension obligation payable		110,892	
Intergovernmental payable		81,095	
Unearned revenue		8,525	
Long-term liabilities:		,-	
Due within one year		198,921	
Due in more than one year		872,630	
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Total liabilities		2,142,883	
Net Assets:			
Invested in capital assets, net			
of related debt		184,213	
Restricted for:		,	
Federally funded programs		11,561	
Other purposes		452	
Unrestricted		224,409	
Total net assets	\$	420,635	

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Net (Expense)

				Program	Reven	ues	C	venue and hanges in et Assets
				harges for		rating Grants		vernmental
		Expenses	Serv	ices and Sales	and	Contributions	A	Activities
Governmental activities:								
Instruction:								
Regular	\$	962,033	\$	-	\$	27,755	\$	(934,278)
Special		1,904,000		1,477,065		1,155,600		728,665
Support services:								
Pupil		2,405,314		2,521,744		24,491		140,921
Instructional staff		3,077,853		2,973,473		272,126		167,746
Board of education		32,545		-		220		(32,325)
Administration		624,700		593,808		60,500		29,608
Fiscal		171,737		-		1,107		(170,630)
Operations and maintenance		150,601		-		-		(150,601)
Pupil transportation		537,459		558,223		142,814		163,578
Central		348,484		346,729		20,516		18,761
Operation of non-instructional services:								
Other non-instructional services		55,121		985		3,501		(50,635)
Interest and fiscal charges		24,561		-		_		(24,561)
Total governmental activities	\$	10,294,408	\$	8,472,027	\$	1,708,630		(113,751)
	G Ir	neral revenues: rants and entitle to specific progra vestment earnin liscellaneous	ams gs					459,302 620 22,976
	Tot	al general revent	ies					482,898
	Cha	ange in net assets						369,147
	Net	assets at begin	ning of	year (restated)				51,488
	Net	assets at end of	f year .				\$	420,635

BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2011

	General		Other Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
Assets:						
Equity in pooled cash						
and cash equivalents	\$	1,228,007	\$	30,413	\$	1,258,420
Cash with fiscal agent		6,345		-		6,345
Receivables:						
Accounts		512,103		-		512,103
Intergovernmental		-		49,922		49,922
Loans		1,203		-		1,203
Prepayments		3,135				3,135
Total assets	\$	1,750,793	\$	80,335	\$	1,831,128
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$	63,874	\$	_	\$	63,874
Accrued wages and benefits		723,583		83,317		806,900
Compensated absences payable		13,718		_		13,718
Pension obligation payable		99,228		11,664		110,892
Intergovernmental payable		76,187		4,908		81,095
Loans payable		-		1,203		1,203
Deferred revenue		129,999		3,824		133,823
Unearned revenue		8,525		-		8,525
Total liabilities		1,115,114		104,916		1,220,030
Fund Balances:						
Nonspendable:						
Long-term loans		1,203		_		1,203
Prepayments		3,135		-		3,135
Restricted:						
Other purposes		-		8,189		8,189
Committed:						
Student and staff support		56,359		-		56,359
Assigned:						
Student instruction		3,789		-		3,789
Student and staff support		61,133		-		61,133
Operation of non-instructional services		894		-		894
Unassigned (deficit)	_	509,166		(32,770)		476,396
Total fund balances (deficit)		635,679		(24,581)		611,098
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	1,750,793	\$	80,335	\$	1,831,128

RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2011

Total governmental fund balances		\$ 611,098
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		713,932
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds		
Accounts receivable	\$ 129,999	
Intergovernmental receivable	 3,824	
Total		133,823
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of computer maintenance and self-insurance operations to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service funds		
are included in governmental activities on the statement of net assets.		17,536
Unamortized loan issue costs are not recognized in the funds		2,079
Long-term liabilities, including loans payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Compensated absences payable	(528,114)	
Capital lease obligation payable	(128,171)	
Loans payable	 (401,548)	
Total		 (1,057,833)
Net assets of governmental activities		\$ 420,635

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

	General		Other Governmental Funds		Total vernmental Funds
Revenues:	_				_
From local sources:					
Tuition	\$ 7,125,483	\$	-	\$	7,125,483
Earnings on investments	620		-		620
Services provided to other entities	1,383,674		-		1,383,674
Extracurricular	5,503		-		5,503
Contributions and donations	4,987		722		5,709
Other local revenues	17,989		-		17,989
Intergovernmental - state	1,274,333		49,254		1,323,587
Intergovernmental - federal	 -		950,476		950,476
Total revenues	 9,812,589		1,000,452		10,813,041
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	922,709		27,903		950,612
Special	1,379,038		508,407		1,887,445
Support services:					
Pupil	2,361,610		24,418		2,386,028
Instructional staff	2,784,654		254,124		3,038,778
Board of education	31,927		234		32,161
Administration	556,100		54,434		610,534
Fiscal	171,159		1,033		172,192
Operations and maintenance	141,437		-		141,437
Pupil transportation	522,775		-		522,775
Central	324,711		19,294		344,005
Operation of non-instructional services:					
Other non-instructional services	50,079		3,863		53,942
Capital outlay	78,959		-		78,959
Debt service:					
Principal retirement	38,983		-		38,983
Interest and fiscal charges	24,123				24,123
Total expenditures	 9,388,264		893,710		10,281,974
Excess of revenues over expenditures	424,325		106,742		531,067
Other financing sources (uses):					
Transfers in	64,784		2,059		66,843
Transfers (out)	(2,059)		-		(2,059)
Capital lease transaction	78,959				78,959
Total other financing sources (uses)	 141,684		2,059		143,743
Net change in fund balances	566,009		108,801		674,810
Fund balances (deficit) at beginning of year (restated)	 69,670		(133,382)		(63,712)
Fund balances (deficit) at end of year	\$ 635,679	\$	(24,581)	\$	611,098

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. Tuition (41,713) Services provided to other entities (920) Intergovernmental (106,853) Total (106,853) Repayment of the loan and capital lease obligations is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities on the statement of net assets. Principal payments during the year were: Loans 22,209 Capital lease 16,774 Total 38,983 In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding loans, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due. The amortization of loan issue costs resulted in more interest being reported in the statement of activities. (438) Proceeds of capital lease transactions are recorded as other financing sources in the funds; however, in the statement of activities, they are not reported as revenues as they increase the liabilities on the statement of net assets. (78,955) Some expenses reported in the statement of activities, including compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. (63,175) The internal service funds used for self- insurance and computer maintenance are not reported in the expenditures and related internal service fund revenues are eliminated. The net revenue (expense) of the	Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds		\$ 674,810
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(60,776	maintenance are not reported in the expenditures and related internal service fund revenues are eliminated. The net revenue (expense) of the		(58,193)
Change in net assets of governmental activities \$ 369,147			\$ 369,147

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2011

	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds	
Assets:		
Current:		
Equity in pooled cash		
and cash equivalents	\$	17,582
Total assets		17,582
Liabilities:		
Current:		
Accounts payable		46
Total liabilities		46
Net assets:		
Unrestricted		17,536
Total net assets	\$	17,536

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds	
Operating revenues:		
Other	\$	9,300
Total operating revenues		9,300
Operating expenses:		
Fringe benefits		120
Purchased services		2,044
Materials and supplies		545
Total operating expenses		2,709
Operating income before transfers		6,591
Transfer out		(64,784)
Change in net assets		(58,193)
Net assets at beginning of year (restated)		75,729
Net assets at end of year	\$	17,536

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

	Governmental Activities - Internal	
		ice Funds
Cash flows from operating activities:		-
Cash received from other operations	\$	9,300
Cash payments for personal services		(120)
Cash payments for purchased services		(2,044)
Cash payments for materials and supplies		(499)
Net cash provided by		
operating activities		6,637
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:		
Cash used in transfers out		(145,564)
Net cash used in noncapital		
financing activities		(145,564)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(138,927)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		156,509
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	17,582
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Operating income	\$	6,591
Changes in assets and liabilities: Increase in accounts payable		46
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	6,637

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS FIDUCIARY FUND JUNE 30, 2011

	Agency	
Assets: Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$	13,720
Total assets	\$	13,720
Liabilities: Due to students	\$	13,720
Total liabilities	\$	13,720

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER

The Columbiana County Educational Service 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 operates under a locally elected five-member Board form of government and provides educational services as mandated by State and/or federal agencies. The Board controls the Center's support facilities staffed by 56 non-certified and 78 certified teaching personnel and 5 administrators who provide services to 14,241 students and other community members.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basic financial statements of the Center have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (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) guidance issued on or before November 30, 1989, to its governmental activities and to its proprietary funds provided it does not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The Center's significant accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, "<u>The Financial Reporting Entity</u>" as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "<u>Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units</u>". The reporting entity is composed of the primary government and component units. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Center. For the Center, this includes general operations, 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; or (3) the Center is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (4) 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. Certain organizations are also included as component units if the nature and significance of the relationship between the primary government and the organization is such that exclusion by the primary government would render the primary governments financial statements incomplete or misleading. Based upon the application of these criteria, the Center has no component units. The basic financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the Center (the primary government).

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The following organizations are described due to their relationship to the Center:

JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

Area Cooperative Computerized Educational Service System (ACCESS)

ACCESS is a jointly governed organization among 22 school districts and 2 county educational service centers. ACCESS was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to the administrative and instructional functions among member districts. Each of the governments of these schools supports ACCESS based upon a per pupil charge dependent upon the software package utilized. ACCESS is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of superintendents of the members school districts. The degree of control exercised by any school district is limited to its representation on the Board. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, the Center does not have any equity interest in ACCESS. Financial information can be obtained from the treasurer for the Mahoning County Educational Service Center, who serves as fiscal agent, at 100 DeBartolo Place, Suite 104, Youngstown, Ohio 44512-7019.

PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOLS

Risk Sharing Pool

The Stark County Schools Council of Governments Health Benefit Plan is a shared risk pool created pursuant to State statute for the purpose of administering health care benefits. The consortium is governed by an assembly which consists of one representative from each participating school district (usually the superintendent or designee). The assembly elects officers for one year terms to serve on the Board of Directors. The assembly exercises control over the operation of the Consortium. All Consortium revenues are generated from charges for services.

Insurance Purchasing Pool

The Stark County Schools Council of Governments Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan has created a group insurance pool for the purpose of creating a group rating plan for workers' compensation. The group is comprised of the treasurers of the members who have been appointed by the respective governing body of each member.

The intent of the pool is to achieve a reduced rate for the Center by the group with other members of the group. The injury claim history of all participating members is used to calculate a common rate for the group. An annual fee is paid to CompManagement, Inc. to administer the group and to manage any injury claims. Premium savings created by the group are prorated to each member annually based on its payroll percentage of the group.

B. Fund Accounting

The Center uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self balancing set of accounts. There are three categories of funds: 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.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The following is the Center's major governmental fund:

<u>General fund</u> - The general fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Other governmental funds of the Center are used to account for specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to an expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Proprietary funds are used to account for the Center's ongoing activities which are similar to those often found in the private sector. The Center has no enterprise funds. The following is a description of the Center's internal service funds:

<u>Internal service funds</u> - An internal service fund is used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the district, or to other governments, on a cost-reimbursement basis. The internal service funds of the Center account for a self-insurance program which provides medical/surgical, dental, vision and life benefits to employees and to account for a computer maintenance program. Effective July 1, 2010, the Center joined the Stark County Schools Council of Governments Health Benefits Plan, which is a fully insured shared risk pool that administers health care benefits.

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 has no trust funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The Center's agency fund accounts for student activities.

C. Basis of Presentation and Measurement Focus

<u>Government-wide Financial Statements</u> - 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. Internal service fund operating activity is eliminated to avoid overstatement of revenues and expenses.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the governmental activities of the Center. 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 amounts paid by the recipient of goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the Center.

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.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the Center. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column, and all nonmajor funds are aggregated into one column. The internal service funds are presented in a single column on the face of the proprietary fund statements. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

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

Like the government-wide statements, the internal service funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of fund 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 proprietary activity.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operation. The principal operating revenues of the Center's internal service funds are from other operations. Operating expenses for internal service funds include the cost of sales and services and administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Agency funds do not report a measurement focus as they do not report operations.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary and fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting.

<u>Revenues - Exchange and Nonexchange Transactions</u> - 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 are expected to be collected 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 grants, entitlements and donations. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the 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: tuition, grants and student fees.

<u>Unearned Revenue and Deferred Revenue</u> - Unearned revenue and deferred revenue arise when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Revenues received in advance of the fiscal year for which they are intended to finance have been recorded as unearned revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are recorded as deferred revenue.

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

<u>Expenses/Expenditures</u> - 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, 2011

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

E. Budgets

Although not legally required, the Center adopts its budget for all funds. The budget includes the estimated resources and expenditures for each fund and consists of three parts; Part (A) includes entitlement funding from the State, Part (B) includes the cost of all other lawful expenditures of the Center (which are apportioned by the State Department of Education to each local board of education under the supervision of the Center) and Part (C) includes the adopted appropriation resolution.

In fiscal year 2004, the Center's requirement to file budgetary information with the Ohio Department of Education was eliminated. Even though the budgetary process for the Center was discretionary, the Center continued to have its Board approve appropriations and estimated resources. The Center's Board adopts an annual appropriation resolution, which is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The level of control has been established by the Board at the fund, function and object level for all funds. Budgetary information for the general fund has been presented as supplementary information to the basic financial statements.

F. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Center is pooled in a central bank account. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Center's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the basic financial statements.

During fiscal year 2011, investments were limited to repurchase agreements which are reported at cost.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund. By policy of the Governing Board, investment earnings are assigned to the general fund. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2011 amounted to \$620, which includes \$36 assigned from other funds.

For presentation on the basic financial statements, investments of the cash management pool and investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Center are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months are reported as investments.

An analysis of the Center's investment account at year end is provided in Note 4.

G. Pass Through Grants

The Center is the primary recipient of grants, which are passed-through to or spent on behalf of the local school districts within the County. When the Center has a financial or administrative role in the grants, the grants are reported as revenues and intergovernmental expenditures in a special revenue fund. Grants in which the Center has no financial or administrative role and are passed-through to the local school districts in the County are reported in an agency fund.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

H. Capital Assets

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary funds. 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 deductions during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Center maintains a capitalization threshold of \$1,000. 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. The Center does not possess infrastructure.

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

•	Governmental
	Activities
<u>Description</u>	Estimated Lives
Land improvements	5 - 20 years
Buildings and improvements	20 - 50 years
Furniture and equipment	5 - 20 years
Vehicles	6 - 10 years

I. Interfund Balances

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund loans receivable/payable". These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column on the statement of net assets. The Center did not report any interfund loan receivable/payable activity during fiscal year 2011. On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from long-term interfund loans are classified as "loans receivable/payable". These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column on the statement of net assets.

J. Compensated Absences

Compensated absences of the Center consist of vacation leave and sick leave liability to the extent that payments to the employee for these absences are attributable to services already rendered and are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the Center and the employee.

In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences", a liability for vacation leave is accrued if a) the employees' rights to payment are attributable to services already rendered; and b) it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or other means, such as cash payment at termination or retirement. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination (severance) payments. A liability for sick leave is accrued using the termination method. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employees' wage rates at fiscal year end, taking into consideration any limits specified in the Center's termination policy.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The total liability for vacation and sick leave payments has been calculated using pay rates in effect at June 30, 2011 and reduced to the maximum payment allowed by labor contract and/or statute, plus any applicable additional salary related payments.

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

For governmental fund financial statements, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount expected to be paid using expendable available resources. These amounts are recorded in the account "compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated unpaid leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported.

K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements, and all payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations payable from the internal service funds are reported on the proprietary fund financial statements.

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

L. Fund Balance

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

<u>Nonspendable</u> - The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

<u>Restricted</u> - Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints are placed on the use of resources that are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

<u>Assigned</u> - Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Center for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted nor committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the Center's Governing Board, which includes giving the Treasurer the authority to constrain monies for intended purposes.

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

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

M. Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt consist 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 or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. The amount restricted for other purposes represents amounts restricted for special trusts.

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

N. Prepayments

Certain payments to vendors reflect the costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements. These items are reported as assets on the balance sheet using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amounts is recorded at the time of the purchase and the expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed.

O. Estimates

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

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

P. Unamortized Loan Issuance Costs

On government-wide financial statements, issuance costs are deferred and amortized over the term of the loan using the straight-line method. Unamortized issuance costs are recorded as a separate line item on the statement of net assets.

Q. Interfund Activity

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 proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the basic financial statements.

R. 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 Governing Board and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during fiscal year 2011.

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

A. Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2011, the Center has implemented GASB Statement No. 54, "<u>Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions</u>", and GASB Statement No. 59, "<u>Financial Instruments</u> Omnibus".

GASB Statement No. 54 establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. GASB Statement No. 54 also clarifies the definitions of governmental fund types.

GASB Statement No. 59 updates and improves guidance for financial reporting and disclosure requirements of certain financial instruments and external investment pools. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 59 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Center.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE - (Continued)

B. Fund Reclassifications

Fund reclassifications are required in order to report funds in accordance with GASB Statement No 54. These fund reclassifications had the following effect on the Center's governmental fund balances as previously reported:

	(General	Vonmajor vernmental	Gov	Total vernmental
Fund balance (deficit) as previously reported	\$	63,991	\$ (127,703)	\$	(63,712)
Fund reclassifications: Public school support fund Total fund reclassifications		5,679 5,679	(5,679) (5,679)		<u>-</u>
Restated fund balance (deficit) at July 1, 2010	\$	69,670	\$ (133,382)	\$	(63,712)

The fund reclassifications did not have an effect on net assets as previously reported.

C. Restatement of Net Assets

The Center's net assets for both government-wide and internal service fund activities have been restated to reflect a decrease in claims payable at June 30, 2010 due to run-out claims for which the Center is no longer considered liable. The change in the Center's reporting of claims payable had the following effect on net assets as previously reported by the government-wide and internal service fund activities:

	 Government-wide Activities		Internal Service Fund Activities	
Net assets (deficit), June 30, 2010	\$ (109,121)	\$	(84,880)	
Adjustment for claims payable	 160,609		160,609	
Restated net assets, June 30, 2010	\$ 51,488	\$	75,729	

D. Deficit Fund Balances

Fund balances at June 30, 2011 included the following individual fund deficits:

Nonmajor governmental funds	D	eficit
Management information systems	\$	30
Alternative schools		122
Miscellaneous state grants		243
IDEA VI-B	2	23,849
Preschool incentive grant		8,526

The general fund is liable for any deficits in these funds and provides transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur. The deficit fund balances resulted from adjustments for accrued liabilities.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the Center into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the 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 Governing 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 monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use, but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories.

Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Interim monies may be deposited or invested in the following securities:

- 1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
- 2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other 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 provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
- 5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in items (1) and (2) above and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio);
- 7. Certain banker's acceptance and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the purchase date in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time; and,
- 8. Under limited circumstances, corporate debt interests rated in either of the two highest classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

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

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. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Center, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

A. Cash on Hand

At fiscal year end, the Center had \$100 in undeposited cash on hand which is included on the financial statements of the Center as part of "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents".

B. Cash with Fiscal Agent

At fiscal year end, the Center had \$6,345 in cash held with fiscal agent. This amount is not included in "Deposits with Financial Institutions" below.

C. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At June 30, 2011, the carrying amount of all Center deposits was \$10,855, exclusive of the \$1,278,767 repurchase agreement included in investments below. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of June 30, 2011, the Center's entire bank balance of \$35,381 was covered by the FDIC.

D. Investments

As of June 30, 2011, the Center had the following investment and maturity:

		Investment
		Maturity
		6 months or
Investment type	Fair Value	less
Repurchase agreement	\$ 1,278,767	\$ 1,278,767

Interest Rate Risk: As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates and according to State law, the Center's investment policy limits investment portfolio maturities to five years or less.

Credit Risk: The Center's investments in the federal agency securities that underlie the repurchase agreement were rated AAA and Aaa by Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investor Services, respectively. The Center's investment policy does not specifically address credit risk beyond the adherence to all relevant sections of the Ohio Revised Code.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

Concentration of Credit Risk: The Center places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the Center at June 30, 2011:

<u>Investment type</u>	Fair Value	% of Total
Repurchase agreement	\$ 1,278,767	100.00

E. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Assets

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments as reported in the note above to cash and investments as reported on the statement of net assets as of June 30, 2011:

Cash an	<u>d investments</u>	per	note

Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 10,855
Investments	1,278,767
Cash on hand	100
Cash with fiscal agent	 6,345
Total	\$ 1,296,067
Cash and investments per statement of net assets	
Governmental activities	\$ 1,282,347
Agency fund	 13,720
Total	\$ 1,296,067

NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

A. Long-term interfund balances at June 30, 2011 as reported on the fund statements consist of the following individual loans receivable and payable:

Receivable fund	Payable fund	Amount
General fund	Nonmajor governmental funds	\$ 1,203

The primary purpose of the long-term interfund balances is to cover costs in specific funds where revenues were not received by June 30. The long-term interfund balances are not expected to be repaid within one year.

Long-term interfund balances between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS - (Continued)

B. Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2011, consisted of the following, as reported on the fund financial statements:

	 Amount
Transfers from general fund to:	
Nonmajor governmental funds	\$ 2,059
Transfers from internal service fund to:	
General fund	 64,784
Total	\$ 66,843

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and (2) use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations. The \$64,784 transfer from the internal service fund to the general fund was a residual equity transfer, as the Center is no longer self-insured effective July 1, 2010.

Interfund transfers between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements; therefore no transfers are reported on the statement of activities.

All transfers were made in compliance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.14, 5705.15 and 5705.16.

NOTE 6 - STATE FUNDING

The Center is funded by the State Board of Education from State funds for the cost of Part (A) of the budget.

Part (B) of the budget is funded in the following way: \$6.50 times the Average Daily Membership (ADM-the total number of pupils under the Center's supervision) is apportioned by the State Board of Education from the local school districts to which the Center provides services from payments made under the State's foundation program. Simultaneously, \$37.00 times the sum of the ADM is paid by the State Board of Education from State funds to the Center.

If additional funding is required and if a majority of the Boards of Education of the participating school districts approve, the cost of Part (B) of the budget that is in excess of \$43.50 times ADM approved by the State Board of Education is apportioned to the participating school districts through reductions in their State foundation. The State Board of Education initiates and supervises the procedure by which the participating Boards approve or disapprove the apportionment. The local school districts to which the Center provides services have agreed to pay \$8.50 per pupil to provide additional funding for services provided by the Center.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 7 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2011 consisted of accounts (billings for user charged services and student fees) and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the stable condition of State programs and the current year guarantee of federal funds. A summary of the principal items of receivables reported on the statement of net assets follows:

Governmental activities:

Accounts	\$ 512,103
Intergovernmental	 49,922
Total	\$ 562,025

Receivables have been disaggregated on the face of the basic financial statements. All receivables are expected to be collected within the subsequent year.

NOTE 8 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	06/30/10	Additions	Deductions	06/30/11
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 61,900	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61,900
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	61,900			61,900
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Land improvements	59,195	-	-	59,195
Buildings and improvements	1,266,281	-	-	1,266,281
Furniture and equipment	443,491	78,959	-	522,450
Vehicles	511,577			511,577
Total capital assets, being depreciated	2,280,544	78,959		2,359,503
Less: accumulated depreciation				
Land improvements	(27,283)	(1,725)	-	(29,008)
Buildings and improvements	(804,940)	(32,657)	-	(837,597)
Furniture and equipment	(362,696)	(27,837)	-	(390,533)
Vehicles	(439,198)	(11,135)		(450,333)
Total accumulated depreciation	(1,634,117)	(73,354)		(1,707,471)
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 708,327	\$ 5,605	<u>\$</u>	\$ 713,932

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 8 - CAPITAL ASSETS - (Continued)

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

<u>Instruction</u> :	
Regular	\$ 2,885
Special	4,614
Support services:	
Pupil	1,599
Instructional staff	38,905
Board of education	384
Administration	4,265
Operations and maintenance	8,836
Pupil transportation	11,135
Central	731
Total depreciation expense	\$ 73,354

NOTE 9 - CAPITALIZED LEASE - LESSEE DISCLOSURE

During fiscal year 2011 and in prior fiscal years, the Center entered into capitalized leases for copier equipment and a school bus. These lease agreements met the criteria of a capital lease as defined by FASB Statement 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 have been reclassified and are reflected as debt service expenditures in the fund financial statements for the governmental funds. These expenditures are reported as function expenditures on the budgetary statements.

Capital assets related to the copier equipment and school bus have been capitalized in the amount of \$156,907. This amount represents the present value of the minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. Accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2011 for the copier equipment and school bus was \$24,599, leaving a current book value of \$132,308. A corresponding liability is recorded in the government-wide financial statements. Principal payments in fiscal year 2011 totaled \$16,774 paid by the general fund.

The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the capital leases and the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2011:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30.		Amount
2012	\$	36,774
2013		36,774
2014		36,774
2015		22,139
2016		16,010
Total minimum lease payments		148,471
Less amount representing interest	_	(20,300)
Total	\$	128,171

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

A. During fiscal year 2011, the following changes occurred in governmental activities long-term obligations:

	Oi	Balance atstanding 06/30/10	<u> </u>	Additions	<u>R</u>	<u>leductions</u>	Balance Outstanding 06/30/11	-	Amounts Due in One Year
Governmental activities: Loan payable - 2009 Capital lease obligation Compensated absences	\$	423,757 65,986 479,275	\$	78,959 190,552	\$	(22,209) (16,774) (127,995)	\$ 401,548 128,171 541,832	\$	23,262 28,918 146,741
Total long-term obligations, governmental activities	\$	969,018	\$	269,511	\$	(166,978)	\$ 1,071,551	\$	198,921

A loan was issued in fiscal year 2009 to refinance the central office building. The loan was issued on March 30, 2009 and matures with a balloon payment due on March 30, 2016. The loan bears an interest rate of 4.80% and is being repaid from the general fund.

The capital lease obligations were paid from the general fund. See Note 9 for detail.

Compensated absences of the Center are paid primarily from the general fund and the IDEA VI-B fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

B. The following is a summary of the Center's future annual debt service requirements to maturity for the loan payable:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal on loan	Interest on loan	<u>Total</u>
2012	\$ 23,262	\$ 19,080	\$ 42,342
2013	24,474	17,868	42,342
2014	25,689	16,651	42,340
2015	26,967	15,373	42,340
2016	301,156	10,663	311,819
Total	\$ 401,548	\$ 79,635	\$ 481,183

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Comprehensive

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. During fiscal year 2011, the Center contracted with The Hollaway Insurance Company for property insurance, fleet insurance and general liability insurance.

Professional liability is protected by Ohio Casualty with a \$2,000,000 annual aggregate/\$1,000,000 single occurrence limit and no deductible. Vehicles are covered by Ohio Casualty and hold a deductible for comprehensive and a \$1,000 deductible for collision. Automobile liability has a \$1,000,000 combined single limit of liability for property damage and bodily injury, and \$5,000 medical payment coverage per person. There is also an umbrella policy over the liability and vehicle coverage of \$2,000,000 per policy. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three years. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from last fiscal year.

B. Employee Health Benefits

As of July 1, 2010, the Center has contracted with Stark County Schools Council of Governments (a shared risk pool) (see Note 2) to provide employee health benefits. Rates are set through an annual calculation process. The Center pays a monthly contribution which is placed in a common fund from which claim payments are made for all participating districts. The Center's Governing Board pays a portion of the monthly premium.

Claims are paid for all participants regardless of claims flow. Upon termination, all Center claims would be paid without regard to the Center's account balance. The Directors have the right to hold monies for an exiting district subsequent to the settlement of all expenses and claims.

Prior to fiscal year 2011, the Center was self-insured through OME-RESA. OME-RESA is a claims servicing pool, consisting of multiple school districts within the State, in which monthly premiums are paid to a fiscal agent who in turn pays claims on the participants' behalf. OME-RESA has a stop loss coverage exceeding \$35,000 up to a maximum of \$400,000 of expected claims. As of July 1, 2010, the Center was no longer a member of OME-RESA.

Post employment health care is provided to plan participants or their beneficiaries through the respective retirement systems discussed in Note 13. As such, no funding provisions are required by the Center.

C. Workers' Compensation

The Center participates in the Stark County Schools Council of Governments Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (see Note 2). 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 participating districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all districts in the GRP.

Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performances is compared to the overall savings percent of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of CompManagement, Inc. provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 12 - PENSION PLANS

A. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The Center contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement, disability, survivor benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746. It is also posted on the SERS' Ohio website, www.ohsers.org, under "Media/Financial Reports".

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Center is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current Center rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the Center's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits. For fiscal year 2011, 11.77 percent and 0.04 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations and death benefits, respectively. 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 Center's required contributions for pension obligations and death benefits to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 were \$266,967, \$276,198 and \$183,626, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009.

B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

Plan Description - The Center 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, under "Publications".

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. 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.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 12 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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 fiscal year 2011, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Center was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The Center's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 were \$516,210, \$476,125 and \$468,232, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2011 were \$17,503 made by the Center and \$12,502 made by the plan members.

C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the SERS/STRS Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the SERS/STRS Ohio. As of June 30, 2011, certain members of the Governing Board have elected Social Security. The Center's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

NOTE 13 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The Center participates in two cost-sharing, multiple employer postemployment benefit plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System (SERS) 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, Medicare Advantage, and traditional indemnity plans. A prescription drug program is also available to those who elect health coverage. SERS employs two third-party administrators and a pharmacy benefit manager to manage the self-insurance and prescription drug plans, respectively. The Medicare Part B Plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries as set forth in Section 3309.69 of the Ohio Revised Code. Qualified benefit recipients who pay Medicare Part B premiums may apply for and receive a monthly reimbursement from SERS. The reimbursement amount is limited by statute to the lesser of the January 1, 1999 Medicare Part B premium or the current premium. The Medicare Part B premium for calendar year 2011 was \$96.40 and SERS' reimbursement to retirees was \$45.50. 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. It is also posted on the SERS' Ohio website, www.ohsers.org, under "Media/Financial Reports".

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 13 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). For 2011, 1.43 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2.0 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2011, the actuarially determined amount was \$35,800.

Active members do not contribute to the postemployment benefit plans. The Retirement Board establishes the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility and retirement status.

The Center's contributions for health care (including surcharge) for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$65,523, \$9,941 and \$112,806, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For fiscal year 2011, this actuarially required allocation was 0.76 percent of covered payroll. The Center's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$17,180, \$16,425 and \$15,151, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009.

B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

Plan Description - The Center contributes to the cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan (the "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 www.strsoh.org, under "Publications" 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 2011, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The Center's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 were \$39,708, \$36,625 and \$36,018, respectively; 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 14 - CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The Center receives significant financial assistance from numerous federal, State and local agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the Center. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material effect on the financial position of the Center.

B. Litigation

The Center is involved in no material litigation as either plaintiff or defendant.

NOTE 15 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A. Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave benefits are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. Classified employees, administrator and supervisors earn five to twenty days of vacation per year depending upon length of service. Accumulated unused vacation time is paid upon termination of employment. Teachers do not earn vacation time. All employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Sick leave may be accumulated up to 200 days. Upon retirement, payment is made for one-fourth of the total sick leave accumulation, up to a maximum accumulation of 50 days.

B. Medical, Dental, Vision and Prescription Drug Insurance

The Center maintains a health and welfare plan that provides medical, dental, vision and prescription drug card benefits. The monthly family and single premium for medical, dental, vision and life insurance is \$1,440.83 and \$592.47, respectively.

C. Life Insurance

The Center provides life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance to most employees.

NOTE 16 - OTHER COMMITMENTS

The Center utilizes encumbrance accounting as part of its budgetary controls. Encumbrances outstanding at year end may be reported as part of restricted, committed, or assigned classifications of fund balance. At year end, the Center's commitments for encumbrances in the governmental funds were as follows:

	Y	ear-End				
<u>Fund</u>	Encumbrances					
General fund	\$	112,150				
Other governmental		230				
Total	\$	112,380				

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) GENERAL FUND

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

		Budgeted	Amo				Fi	riance with nal Budget Positive
D.		Original		Final		Actual	(]	Negative)
Revenues:								
From local sources:	ф		Φ.	7 000 046	Φ.	5 050 5 04	Φ.	2 < 5 10
Tuition	\$	6,363,843	\$	7,022,246	\$	7,058,786	\$	36,540
Earnings on investments		559		617		620		3
Services provided to other entities		1,256,298		1,386,274		1,393,488		7,214
Other local revenues		11,472		12,659		12,725		66
Intergovernmental - state		1,148,874		1,267,736		1,274,333		6,597
Total revenues		8,781,046		9,689,532		9,739,952		50,420
Expenditures:								
Current:								
Instruction:								
Regular		833,599		1,005,431		896,288		109,143
Special		1,240,651		1,496,391		1,333,953		162,438
Support services:								
Pupil		2,235,954		2,696,858		2,404,105		292,753
Instructional staff		2,576,330		3,107,396		2,770,078		337,318
Board of education		29,889		36,050		32,137		3,913
Administration		525,318		633,603		564,823		68,780
Fiscal		235,879		284,502		253,618		30,884
Operations and maintenance		148,205		178,754		159,350		19,404
Pupil transportation		529,399		638,525		569,211		69,314
Central		306,230		369,354		329,259		40,095
Operation of non-instructional services:		4				7 0.400		
Other non-instructional services		46,596		56,201		50,100		6,101
Debt service:		20.656		24.012		22.200		2.504
Principal retirement		20,656		24,913		22,209		2,704
Interest and fiscal charges		18,725		22,585		20,133		2,452
Total expenditures		8,747,431		10,550,563		9,405,264		1,145,299
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over								
(under) expenditures		33,615		(861,031)		334,688		1,195,719
Other financing sources (uses):								
Transfers in		58,407		64,450		64,785		335
Transfers (out)		(28,635)		(34,537)		(30,788)		3,749
Advances in		71,707		79,125		79,537		412
Advances (out)		(230)		(277)		(247)		30
Sale of capital assets		3,961		4,371		4,394		23
Total other financing sources (uses)		105,210		113,132		117,681		4,549
Net change in fund balance		138,825		(747,899)		452,369		1,200,268
Fund balance at beginning of year		292,131		292,131		292,131		-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated		308,112		308,112		308,112		-
Fund balance (deficit) at end of year	\$	739,068	\$	(147,656)	\$	1,052,612	\$	1,200,268

SEE ACCOMPANYING BUDGETARY NOTES

BUDGETARY NOTES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 1 - BUDGETARY PROCESS

The Center is no longer required under State statute to file budgetary information with the State Department of Education. However, the Center's Governing Board does follow the budgetary process for control purposes.

The Center's Governing Board budgets for resources estimated to be received during the fiscal year. The estimated revenues may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary schedule reflect the amounts of the estimated revenues when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary schedule reflect the amounts of the estimated revenues in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Governing Board.

The Center's Governing Board adopts an annual appropriation resolution, which is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures at the level of control selected by the Governing Board. The level of control has been established by the Governing Board at the fund, function and object level for all funds. The Treasurer has been authorized to allocate appropriations to the fund, function and object level within all funds.

Throughout the fiscal year, appropriations may be amended or supplemented as circumstances warrant. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary schedule reflect the amounts on the first appropriation resolution for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior fiscal years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary schedule represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Governing Board during the fiscal year.

NOTE 2 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While the Center is reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balances on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The schedule of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance - budget and actual (budget basis) - for the general fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget.

The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP basis are that:

- Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
- 2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
- 3. In order to determine compliance with Ohio law, and to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, total outstanding encumbrances (budget basis) are recorded as the equivalent of an expenditure, as opposed to assigned or committed fund balance for that portion of outstanding encumbrances not already recognized as an account payable (GAAP basis).

BUDGETARY NOTES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE 2 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - (Continued)

- 4. Advances in and out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).
- 5. Some funds are included in the general fund (GAAP basis), but have separate legally adopted budgets (budget basis).

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP and budgetary basis schedule for the general fund:

	<u>General</u>
Budget basis	\$ 452,369
Net adjustment for revenue accruals	61,277
Net adjustment for expenditure accruals	(147,701)
Net adjustment for other sources/uses	24,003
Funds budgeted elsewhere	4,346
Adjustment for encumbrances	 171,715
GAAP basis	\$ 566,009

Certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds are considered part of the general fund on a GAAP basis. This includes the public school support fund.

FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor	Pass Through Entity	Federal CFDA		
Program Title	Number	Number	Receipts	Disbursements
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:				
Special Education Cluster: Special Education Grants to States (IDEA Part B) Total IDEA Part B	046417-6BSF-2010 046417-6BSF-2011	84.027	\$149,594 400,981 550,575	\$149,594 379,973 529,567
Special Education - Preschool Grant	046417-PGS1-2010	84.173	50,702	50,702
Special Education - Preschool Grant, Recovery Act	ARRA	84.392	43,961	43,961
Total Special Education Cluster Grant			645,238	624,230
Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers		84.287	21,907	24,500
Total Ohio Department of Education			667,145	648,730
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Direct Assistance:				
Foreign Language Assistance	T293B070048-09 T293B070048-11	84.293	0 9,219	900 7,403
Total Foreign Language Assistance	12936070040-11		9,219	8,303
Teaching American History Grant	FY 2010 FY 2011	84.215	51,571 234,404 285,975	71,946 225,451 297,397
Total Department of Education			295,194	305,700
Totals			\$962,339	\$954,430

The accompanying notes to this schedule are an integral part of this schedule.

NOTES TO THE FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES SCHEDULE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

NOTE A - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying Federal Awards Expenditures Schedule (the Schedule) reports the Columbiana County Educational Service Center's (the Center's) federal award programs' receipts and disbursements. The schedule has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting.

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

Columbiana County Educational Service Center Columbiana County 38720 Saltwell Road Lisbon, Ohio 44432

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Columbiana County Educational Service Center, Columbiana County, (the Service Center) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Service Center's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 17, 2012, in which we noted the Service Center implemented Government Accounting Standards Board Statement 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions". 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Service Center's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of opining on the effectiveness of the Service Center's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Service Center's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in more than a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Service Center's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and timely corrected.

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

Columbiana County Educational Service Center Columbiana County Independent Accountants' Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting And On Compliance And Other Matters Required By Government Auditing Standards Page 2

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Service Center's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, 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 we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the audit committee, Board of Education, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and others within the Service Center. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

January 17, 2012

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Columbiana County Educational Service Center Columbiana County 38720 Saltwell Road Lisbon, Ohio 44432

To the Board of Education:

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Columbiana County Educational Service Center (the Service Center) with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that could directly and materially affect the Service Center's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2011. The *summary of auditor's results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings identifies the Service Center's major federal program. The Service Center's management is responsible for complying with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each major federal program. Our responsibility is to opine on the Service Center's compliance based on our audit.

Our compliance audit followed auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits included in the Comptroller General of the United States' Government Auditing Standards; and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. These standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether noncompliance occurred with the 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 Government's compliance with these requirements and performing other procedures we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Government's compliance with these requirements.

In our opinion, the Columbiana County Educational Service Center complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2011.

Columbiana County Educational Service Center Columbiana County Independent Accountants' Report On Compliance With Requirements Applicable to Each Major Federal Program And On Internal Control Over Compliance Required By OMB Circular A-133 Page 2

Internal Control Over Compliance

The Service 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 Service Center's internal control over compliance with requirements that could directly and materially affect a major federal program, to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of opining on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of opining on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Service Center's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or to timely detect and correct, noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement will not be prevented, or timely detected and corrected.

Our consideration of 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 over compliance that might be deficiencies, 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 the audit committee, management, Board of Education, others within the entity, federal awarding agencies, and pass-through entities. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

January 17, 2012

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS OMB CIRCULAR A -133 § .505 JUNE 30, 2011

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under § .510(a)?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Special Education Cluster (84.027 Grants to States (IDEA, Part B), 84.173 Preschool Grants (IDEA Preschool) and 84.392 Preschool Grant, Recovery Act.
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: > \$ 300,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	No

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

None

3. FINDINGS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS	
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None





COLUMBIANA COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER

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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED FEBRUARY 7, 2012