



OHIO VALLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER GUERNSEY COUNTY

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Ohio Valley Educational Service Center Guernsey County 128 East 8th Street Cambridge, Ohio 43725

To the Governing Board:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Guernsey County, Ohio (the Educational Service Center), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Educational Service Center's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Educational 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, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Guernsey County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2010, and the respective changes in financial position, and where applicable, cash flows, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 3, the Educational Service Center adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions.*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 23, 2012, on our consideration of the Educational 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, 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.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

January 23, 2012

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011 Unaudited

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

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for the fiscal year 2011 are as follows:

- In total, net assets of governmental activities increased \$136,028 which represents a 13 percent increase from the prior fiscal year ending net assets.
- General revenues accounted for \$883,066 in revenue or 10 percent of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, grants, and contributions accounted for \$7,843,501 or 90 percent of total revenues of \$8,726,567.
- The Educational Service Center had \$8,590,539 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$7,843,501 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants, and contributions. General revenues of \$883,066 were adequate to provide for the remainder of these activities.
- The Educational Service Center's major fund is the General Fund. The General Fund had \$8,360,808 in revenues, \$7,887,218 in expenditures and \$297,208 in other financing sources and uses. The General Fund's balance increased \$176,382.

Using this Annual Financial Report

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

The Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole Educational Service Center, presenting both an aggregate view of the Educational Service 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 Educational Service Center's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column.

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Reporting the Educational Service Center as a Whole

Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities

While this document contains information about the funds used by the Educational Service Center to provide programs and activities for school districts, the view of the Educational Service Center as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during fiscal year 2011?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Educational Service Center's net assets and changes in those assets. This change in net assets is important because it tells the reader that, for the Educational Service Center as a whole, the financial position of the Educational Service Center has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not.

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, all of the Educational Service Center's activities are reported as governmental including instruction and support services.

Reporting the Educational Service Center's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the Educational Service Center's major fund begins on page 8. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the Educational Service Center's major funds. The Educational Service Center uses many funds to account for a multiple of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the Educational Service Center's most significant funds. The Educational Service Center's major governmental fund is the General Fund.

Governmental Funds Most of the Educational Service Center's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at fiscal 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 statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Educational Service Center's general governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

Fiduciary Funds The Educational Service Center's fiduciary funds are private purpose trust funds. All of the Educational Service Center's fiduciary activities are reported in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets. These activities are separate from the Educational Service Center's governmental and fund financial statements because the Educational Service Center cannot use these assets to finance its operations. Fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting.

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The Educational Service Center as a Whole

Recall that the Statement of Net Assets provides the perspective of the Educational Service Center as a whole. Table I provides a summary of the Educational Service Center's net assets for 2011 compared to 2010.

Table 1 Net Assets

Governmental Activites

	2011	2010	Change
Assets			
Current and Other Assets	\$2,290,564	\$2,307,878	(\$17,314)
Capital Assets	465,385	503,085	(37,700)
Total Assets	2,755,949	2,810,963	(55,014)
Liabilities			
Long-Term Liabilities	431,118	682,916	(251,798)
Other Liabilities	1,119,093	1,058,337	60,756
Total Liabilities	1,550,211	1,741,253	(191,042)
Net Assets			
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Debt	449,329	224,401	224,928
Restricted for Other Purposes	12,238	228,119	(215,881)
Restricted for Unclaimed Monies	28,613	28,270	343
Unrestricted	715,558	588,920	126,638
Total Net Assets	\$1,205,738	\$1,069,710	\$136,028

Total assets decreased \$55,014. The majority of the decrease was due to a decrease in intergovernmental receivable due to the elimination of the CAFS program and the collection of the majority of all stimulus grants. Intergovernmental receivable decreased \$205,707. Cash with fiscal agents decreased \$105,314. These decreases were offset by an increase in cash and cash equivalents in the amount of \$296,366.

Total liabilities decreased \$191,042. The majority of this decrease was due to a decrease in long-term liabilities. This is attributable to the Educational Service Center paying off two notes at the end of fiscal year 2011. This decrease is offset by an increase in claims payable of \$65,545.

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Table 2 shows the changes in net assets for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

Table 2 Changes in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities		
	2011	2010	Change
Revenues			
Program Revenues			
Charges for Services	\$5,948,012	\$5,835,197	\$112,815
Operating Grants and Contributions	1,895,489	2,037,278	(141,789)
Total Program Revenues	7,843,501	7,872,475	(28,974)
G ID			
General Revenues	050 225	615.550	226 772
Grants and Entitlements	852,325	615,553	236,772
Investment Earnings	9,901	10,464	(563)
Miscellaneous	20,840	45,342	(24,502)
Total General Revenues	883,066	671,359	211,707
Total Revenues	8,726,567	8,543,834	182,733
Program Expenses			
Instruction			
Regular	227,053	224,746	2,307
Special	2,470,035	2,236,619	233,416
Special - Intergovernmental	149,700	211,115	(61,415)
Adult/Continuing	47,226	42,003	5,223
Intervention	0	1,830	(1,830)
Support Services			, ,
Pupils	1,762,585	1,936,879	(174,294)
Instructional Staff	2,617,678	2,507,622	110,056
Board of Education	46,039	43,159	2,880
Administration	812,878	878,374	(65,496)
Fiscal	241,854	275,666	(33,812)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	102,386	90,624	11,762
Pupil Transportation	14,650	12,806	1,844
Central	31,398	10,833	20,565
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	2,862	3,649	(787)
Extracurricular Activities	49,821	53,711	(3,890)
Interest	14,374	16,055	(1,681)
Total Expenses	8,590,539	8,545,691	44,848
Change in Net Assets	136,028	(1,857)	137,885
Net Assets Beginning of Year	1,069,710	1,071,567	(1,857)
Net Assets End of Year	\$1,205,738	\$1,069,710	\$136,028

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During fiscal year 2011, the Educational Service Center's net assets increased \$136,028. This slight change in net assets is due to the Educational Service Center increasing its revenues at a rate above what its expenditures increased. This is mostly attributable to an increase in charges for services in the amount of \$112,815. During these times of economic difficulties, some districts have turned to the Educational Service Center as a means to save money through consortium services. Overall expenses of the Educational Service Center increased \$44,848. The Educational Service Center has made an effort to cut expenditures during these times of state cuts and uncertainties. The Educational Service Center has continued to not give its employees a base increase in salary due to the economic climate and difficulties of its member districts. These decreases in expenditures are offset by the Educational Service Center experiencing a large increase in its health insurance premiums due to large claims incurred by the Educational Service Center.

The Educational Service Center provides special instruction, pupil support and instructional support services to its member districts and, in some cases, districts outside its service area. Charges for services are modeled to cover the cost of all services plus an administrative fee. As economic conditions warrant, the Educational Service Center will adjust its expenditures and charges for services to maintain expenditures within its resources.

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services, grants, and contributions offsetting those services. Table 3 shows the total cost of services and the net cost of services. In other words, it identifies the cost of those services supported by unrestricted revenue.

Table 3
Governmental Activities

	2011	2011	2010	2010
	Total Cost	Net Cost	Total Cost	Net Cost
	of Services	of Services	of Services	of Services
Program Expenses				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$227,053	(\$110,969)	\$224,746	(\$384,143)
Special	2,470,035	93,389	2,236,619	101,736
Special - Intergovernmental	149,700	31,591	211,115	(43,029)
Adult/Continuing	47,226	24,857	42,003	23,306
Intervention	0	0	1,830	1,830
Support Services:				
Pupil	1,762,585	48,928	1,936,879	484,235
Instructional Staff	2,617,678	919,346	2,507,622	740,021
Board of Education	46,039	25,911	43,159	22,909
Administration	812,878	(469,949)	878,374	(414,313)
Fiscal	241,854	58,163	275,666	35,386
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	102,386	52,071	90,624	46,179
Pupil Transportation	14,650	7,798	12,806	4,541
Central	31,398	28,823	10,833	7,804
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	2,862	1,149	3,649	1,371
Extracurricular Activities	49,821	21,556	53,711	29,328
Interest and Fiscal Charges	14,374	14,374	16,055	16,055
Totals	\$8,590,539	\$747,038	\$8,545,691	\$673,216

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Instruction programs comprise approximately 34 percent of total governmental program expenses, support services comprise approximately 65 percent of total governmental program expenses, and operation of non-instructional services, extracurricular activities, and interest expenses combined comprise approximately 1 percent of total governmental program expenses. Of the instruction expenses, approximately 85 percent is for special instruction. Of the support services expenses, approximately 31 percent is for pupils, 46 percent for instructional staff, and 14 percent for administration.

The Educational Service Center's Major Fund

The Education Service Center has one major fund: the General Fund. The Educational Service Center's major fund is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The General Fund had total revenues of \$8,360,808, expenditures of \$7,887,218 and other financing use of \$297,208. The General Fund had an increase in assets of \$300,279, which was mainly due to an increase in cash of \$386,604, and an increase in liabilities of \$9,169, which was mainly due to an increase in deferred revenue. The General Fund had an increase in fund balance in the amount of \$176,382.

Budgeting Highlights

Under Ohio law, Educational Service Centers are no longer required to prepare a budget. Therefore, at June 30, 2011, a budgetary statement is not presented within the basic financial statements because the Board did not approve estimated revenues or adopt appropriations.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2011, the School District had \$465,385 invested in land, buildings, improvements, furniture and equipment, and vehicles. Table 4 shows fiscal year 2011 balances compared to 2010.

Table 4
Capital Assets
(Net of Depreciation)

	Government	Governmental Activities	
	2011	2010	
Land	\$100,344	\$100,344	
Land Improvements	\$2,149	\$2,402	
Buildings	335,674	364,349	
Machinery, Equipment Furniture, and Fixtures	27,218	35,990	
Totals	\$465,385	\$503,085	

See Note 10 for more information on Capital Assets.

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Debt

At June 30, 2011, the School District had the following debt outstanding:

Table 5
Outstanding Debt at Fiscal Year End

	Governmenta	al Activities	
	2011 2010		
Building Note	\$0	\$222,632	
Building Improvement Note	0	33,786	
Capital Leases	16,056	22,266	
\$16,05		\$278,684	

See Notes 15 and 16 for more information on debt.

Economic Factors

As the preceding information shows, the Educational Service Center relies heavily on the contracts for services it provides to its local, city, and exempted village school districts. The majority of these services are special education in nature. The services these children are to be provided are mandated by Individual Education Plans (IEPs). The districts are required, by law, to serve these children. The school districts may provide the services through their own personnel, or contract out to have it provided. Many of the served districts rely solely on the Educational Service Center to provide these services. Special education service charges are based upon the actual cost of the service divided by the number of students who will benefit from the service. The financial positions of the school districts and their willingness to continue to contract for special education services with the Educational Service Center will continue to have an impact on the increase or decrease in revenues of the Educational Service Center.

Other significant revenue sources for the Educational Service Center are state foundation payments and grants. Existing contracts with the Educational Service Center's districts, as well as the Educational Service Center's cash balance, will provide the Educational Service Center with the necessary funds to operate during fiscal year 2012. However, the financial health of the Educational Service Center presents certain challenges. The Educational Service Center's state funding has been frozen since fiscal year 2000. The Educational Service Center relies on the state per pupil funding to support fiscal and administrative costs. For fiscal year 2012, the Educational Service Center's state allocation will be reduced an additional 10%.

Contacting the Educational Service Center's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, districts, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Educational Service Center's finances and to show the Educational Service Center's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Megan Atkinson, Treasurer at the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, 128 East 8th Street, Cambridge, Ohio 43725. You may also E-mail the Treasurer at megan.atkinson@omeresa.net.

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Statement of Net Assets June 30, 2011

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$2,006,417
Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal Agent	140,301
Accounts Receivable	7,960
Intergovernmental Receivable	131,393
Prepaids	4,493
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	100,344
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	365,041
Total Assets	2,755,949
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	26,608
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	659,051
Intergovernmental Payable	145,141
Claims Payable	288,293
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	115,206
Due in More Than One Year	315,912
Total Liabilities	1,550,211
Net Assets	
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	449,329
Restricted for Other Purposes	12,238
Restricted for Unclaimed Monies	28,613
Unrestricted	715,558
Total Net Assets	\$1,205,738

Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

		Processo	D	Net Revenue (Expense) and Change in
			n Revenues	Net Assets
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$227,053	\$283,059	\$54,963	\$110,969
Special	2,470,035	1,585,542	791,104	(93,389)
Special - Intergovernmental	149,700	1,365,542	118,109	(31,591)
Adult/Continuing	47,226	22,369	0	(24,857)
Support Services:	47,220	22,307	O	(24,037)
Pupils	1,762,585	1,279,659	433,998	(48,928)
Instructional Staff	2,617,678	1,369,574	328,758	(919,346)
Board of Education	46,039	20,128	0	(25,911)
Administration	812,878	1,118,103	164,724	469,949
Fiscal	241,854	183,691	0	(58,163)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	102,386	49,057	1,258	(52,071)
Pupil Transportation	14,650	6,852	0	(7,798)
Central	31,398	0	2,575	(28,823)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	2,862	1,713	0	(1,149)
Extracurricular Activities	49,821	28,265	0	(21,556)
Interest	14,374	0	0	(14,374)
Total Governmental Activities	\$8,590,539	\$5,948,012	\$1,895,489	(747,038)
		tlements not Rest	ricted to	
	Specific Progra			852,325
	Investment Earn	nings		9,901
	Miscellaneous			20,840
	Total General R	levenues		883,066
	Change in Net A	Assets		136,028
	Net Assets Begi	inning of Year		1,069,710
	Net Assets End	of Year		\$1,205,738

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2011

	General	Other Governmental	Total Governmental
Assets	General	Funds	Funds
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$1,938,635	\$39,169	\$1,977,804
Accounts Receivable	\$1,938,033 7,960	\$39,109 0	
Interfund Receivable	64,612	0	7,960 64,612
Intergovernmental Receivable	66,782	64,611	131,393
		721	
Prepaid Items Restricted Assets:	3,772	721	4,493
	20 612	0	20.612
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents Total Assets	28,613 \$2,110,374	\$104,501	28,613 \$2,214,875
Total Assets	\$2,110,574	\$104,301	\$2,214,673
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$26,240	\$368	\$26,608
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	637,576	21,475	659,051
Interfund Payable	0	64,612	64,612
Intergovernmental Payable	139,031	6,110	145,141
Deferred Revenue	15,000	7,966	22,966
Total Liabilities	817,847	100,531	918,378
Fund Balances			
Nonspendable	32,385	721	33,106
Restricted	0	3,249	3,249
Assigned	127,971	0	127,971
Unassigned	1,132,171	0	1,132,171
Total Fund Balances	1,292,527	3,970	1,296,497
Total Land Datanees	1,272,321	3,710	1,270,477
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$2,110,374	\$104,501	\$2,214,875

Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances To Net Assets of Governmental Activities June 30, 2011

Total Governmental Fund Balances		\$1,296,497
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.		465,385
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period		
expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds:		
Grants	7,966	
Contract Services	15,000	22,966
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:		
Capital Leases	(16,056)	
Compensated Absences Payable	(415,062)	(431,118)
An internal service fund is used by management to charge the costs of insurance to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal		
fund are included in governmental activities in the statement of net assets.		(147,992)
Net Assets of Governmental Activities		\$1,205,738

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

	G 1	Other Governmental	Total Governmental
	General	Funds	Funds
Revenues			
Intergovernmental	\$2,425,285	\$408,882	\$2,834,167
Interest	5,395	0	5,395
Tuition and Fees	830,195	0	830,195
Rent	17,723	0	17,723
Gifts and Donations	5,770	0	5,770
Contract Services	5,072,861	15,500	5,088,361
Miscellaneous	3,579	6,703	10,282
Total Revenues	8,360,808	431,085	8,791,893
Expenditures			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	170,845	50,577	221,422
Special	2,310,881	59,429	2,370,310
Adult/Continuing	42,735	0	42,735
Support Services:			
Pupils	1,733,929	15,000	1,748,929
Instructional Staff	2,362,250	171,878	2,534,128
Board of Education	39,557	0	39,557
Administration	787,252	9,730	796,982
Fiscal	237,478	0	237,478
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	101,945	0	101,945
Pupil Transportation	14,650	0	14,650
Central	25,575	5,823	31,398
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	2,810	52	2,862
Extracurricular Activities	48,779	0	48,779
Capital Outlay	441	0	441
Intergovernmental	0	149,700	149,700
Debt Service:			
Principal	6,210	256,418	262,628
Interest	1,881	12,493	14,374
Total Expenditures	7,887,218	731,100	8,618,318
Other Financing Sources (Use)			
Transfers In	0	297,208	297,208
Transfers Out	(297,208)	0	(297,208)
Total Other Financing Sources (Use)	(297,208)	297,208	0
Net Change in Fund Balances	176,382	(2,807)	173,575
Fund Balances Beginning of Year-Restated (see Note 3)	1,116,145	6,777	1,122,922
Fund Balances End of Year	\$1,292,527	\$3,970	\$1,296,497

Reconciliation of the Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds		\$173,575	
Amounts reported for governmental activity	ties in the statement of activities are dif	ferent because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays the cost of those assets is allocated over This is the amount by which depreciation	their estimated useful lives as depreciati		(37,700)
Revenues in the statement of activities that reported as revenues in the funds:	•		, , ,
reported us revenues in the runds.	Contract Services	11,883	
	Intergovernmental	(92,123)	
	Tuition	(150)	
	Miscellaneous	(396)	(80,786)
Repayment of principal is an expenditure	in the governmental funds, but the repa	yment reduces	
long-term liabilities in the statement of n	et assets.		256,418
Repayment of capital leases is an expendi reduces long-term liabilities in the staten	_	repayment	6,210
Expenses from compensated absences repuse of current financial resources and the governmental funds.		•	(10,830)
The internal service fund used by manage funds is not reported in the entity-wide service fund is reported with governme	statement of activities. The net change		(170,859)
Change in Net Assets of Governmental A	ctivities		\$136,028

Statement of Fund Net Assets Health Self-Insurance Internal Service Fund June 30, 2011

	Self-Insurance Fund
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal Agent	\$140,301
Current Liabilities	
Claims Payable	288,293
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	(\$147,992)

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Assets Health Self-Insurance Internal Service Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

	Self-Insurance Fund
Onesating Devenues	T dild
Operating Revenues	¢1 204 011
Charges for Services	\$1,284,811
Other Revenues	10,558
Total Operating Revenues	1,295,369
Operating Expenses	
Purchased Services	432,677
Claims	1,038,057
	1,000,007
Total Operating Expenses	1,470,734
Operating Income	(175,365)
Non-Operating Revenue	
Interest	4,506
Change in Net Assets	(170,859)
Net Assets Beginning of Year	22,867
Net Assets End of Year	(\$147,992)

Statement of Cash Flows Health Self-Insurance Internal Service Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

	Self-Insurance Fund
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Cash Received from Transactions with Other Funds	\$1,284,811
Other Cash Receipts	10,558
Cash Payments for Goods and Services	(432,677)
Cash Payments for Claims	(972,512)
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	(109,820)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	
Interest on Investments	4,506
Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(105,314)
Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of Year	245,615
Cash and Cash Equivalents End of Year	\$140,301
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	
Operating Loss	(\$175,365)
Increase in Claims Payable	65,545
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	(\$109,820)
See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements	

Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets
Fiduciary Funds
June 30, 2011

	Private Purpose Trust
Assets Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$259,065
Net Assets Held in Trust for Scholarships	\$259,065

Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets Fiduciary Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

	Private Purpose Trust
Additions	
Gifts and Contributions	\$2,878
Interest	655
Total Additions	3,533
Deductions Scholarships Awarded	3,628
Change in Net Assets	(95)
Net Assets Beginning of Year	259,160
Net Assets End of Year	\$259,065

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER AND REPORTING ENTITY

The Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Guernsey County (the "Educational Service 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 Educational Service Center is a combined educational service center as defined by Section 3311.053 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Educational Service Center provides supervisory, special education, administrative, and other services to the Belpre City, Caldwell Exempted Village, Cambridge City, East Guernsey Local, Fort Frye Local, Frontier Local, Marietta City, Noble Local, Rolling Hills Local, Switzerland of Ohio Local, Union Local, Wolf Creek Local, and Warren Local School Districts. The Educational Service Center furnishes leadership and consulting services designed to strengthen the school districts in areas they are unable to finance or staff independently.

The Educational Service Center operates under a locally-elected Board form of government consisting of eleven elected members. Members are elected to staggered four year terms. The Educational Service Center has 124 certificated and 111 non-certificated employees that provide services to the school districts.

Reporting Entity

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

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

The Educational Service Center is associated with the Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency (OME-RESA), the Coalition of Rural and Appalachian Schools (CORAS), and the Ohio Coalition of Equity and Adequacy of School Funding which are defined as jointly governed organizations; the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), and the Ohio School Plan (OSP), which are defined as group insurance purchasing pools; and the Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency (OME-RESA) Self-Insurance Program, which is defined as a claims servicing pool. Additional information concerning these organizations is presented in Notes 17, 18, and 19 to the basic financial statements.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Educational Service Center have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Educational Service Center also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) statements and interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, to its governmental activities and internal service fund provided they do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant of the Educational Service Center's accounting policies are described below.

A. Basis of Presentation

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

Government-wide Financial Statements

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the Educational Service Center as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The activity of the internal service fund is eliminated to avoid "doubling up" revenues and expenses. The statements usually distinguish between those activities of the Educational Service Center that are governmental in nature and those that are considered business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services. The Educational Service Center does not have any business-type funds.

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

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Fund Financial Statements

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

B. Fund Accounting

The Educational Service Center uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Educational Service Center fall within three categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds

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

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is the operating fund of the Educational Service Center and is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The other governmental funds of the Educational Service Center account for grants and other resources of the Educational Service Center whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

Proprietary Fund Type

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

<u>Internal Service Fund</u> - The Self-Insurance Internal Service Fund accounts for the financing of services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the Educational Service Center on a cost reimbursement basis. The Educational Service Center's only internal service fund accounts for the operation of the Educational Service Center's self-insurance program for employee medical, vision, prescription drug, and dental claims.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Fiduciary Fund Types

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 Educational Service Center under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the Educational Service Center's own programs. The Educational Service Center's private purpose trust fund accounts for a college scholarship program.

C. Measurement Focus

Government-wide Financial Statements

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

Fund Financial Statements

All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, 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 fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the statement of net assets. The statement of changes in fund net assets presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the Educational Service Center finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activity.

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

D. Basis of Accounting

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

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Revenues - Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions

Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined, and "available" means that the resources are collectible 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 Educational Service Center, available means expected to be received within sixty days of fiscal year end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the Educational Service 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 year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the Educational Service Center must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Educational Service Center on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, grants and contract services are considered to be both measurable and available at year end.

Deferred Revenue

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

Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are also recorded as deferred revenue

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

Expenses/Expenditures

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 the governmental funds.

E. Budgetary Data

No budgetary information is presented because the Board did not approve estimated revenues or adopt appropriations. Under Ohio law, Educational Service Centers are no longer required to prepare a budget.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, cash received by the Educational Service Center is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Educational Service Center's records. Interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents" on the financial statements. The Educational Service Center participates in the OME-RESA insurance consortium for self-insurance. These monies are held separate from the Educational Service Center's central bank account and are reflected in the financial statements as "Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal Agent".

At fiscal year end 2011, the Educational Service Center had no investments.

Following Ohio statutes, the Governing Board has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2011 amounted to \$5,395, which includes \$1,164 assigned from other Educational Service Center funds.

G. Receivables and Payables

Receivables and payables on the Educational Service Center's financial statements are recorded to the extent that the amounts are determined material and substantiated not only by supporting documentation, but also by a reasonable, systematic method of determining their existence, completeness, valuation, and in the case of receivables, collectability.

H. Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2011, are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of purchase and an expenditure/expense is recorded in the year in which services are consumed.

I. Capital Assets

All of the Educational Service Center's capital assets are general capital assets resulting 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 retirements during the year. The Educational Service Center was able to estimate the historical cost for the initial reporting of capital assets by backtrending (i.e., estimating the current replacement cost of the assets to be capitalized and using an appropriate price-index to deflate the costs to the acquisition year or estimated acquisition year.) Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Educational Service Center maintains a capitalization threshold of five thousand dollars. 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.

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:

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

	Governmental Activities
Description	Estimated Lives
Buildings and Improvements	10-40 Years
Machinery, Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures	5-30 Years

J. Compensated Absences

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the Educational Service Center will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The Educational Service Center records a liability for accumulated unused vacation time when earned for all eligible employees.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those the Educational Service Center has identified as probable of receiving payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employees' wage rates at fiscal year end, taking into consideration any limits specified in the Educational Service Center's termination policy. The Educational Service Center records a liability for accumulated unused sick leave for all employees after ten years of qualifying service credit.

On the governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are recognized as liabilities and expenditures to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. These amounts are recorded in the account "matured compensated absences payable" in the funds from which these payments will be paid.

K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations

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

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources, are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments 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 in the current year.

L. Fund Balance

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

Nonspendable: The nonspendable fund category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans and notes receivable, as well as property acquired for resale, unless the use of the proceeds from the collection of those receivables or from the sale of those properties is restricted, committed, or assigned.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Restricted: The restricted fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation. Fund balance is reported as restricted when contraints placed on the use of the resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

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

<u>Assigned:</u> Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Educational Service Center for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses by the Board of Education.

<u>Unassigned:</u> The unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Educational Service Center applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first, followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which the 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 consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Educational Service Center or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws and regulations of other governments.

Net assets restricted for other purposes include state and federal grants restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

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

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

N. Interfund Balances/Interfund Transactions

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables". These amounts are eliminated on the statement of net assets. Internal allocations of overhead expenses from one program to another or within the same program are eliminated on the statement of activities. Payments for interfund goods and services provided and used are not eliminated on the government wide financial statements.

Transfers among governmental activities are eliminated on the statement of activities.

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

O. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary fund. For the Educational Service Center, these revenues are charges for services for the self-insurance program. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the goods or services that are the primary activities of the fund. Revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating.

P. Estimates

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

Q. Flow-Through Grants

The Educational Service Center is the primary recipient of grants which are passed through or spent on behalf of the local, exempted village, and city school districts. When the Educational Service Center has a financial or administrative role in the grants, the grants are reported as revenues and intergovernmental expenditures/expenses. For fiscal year 2011, this included the Early Childhood Special Education Grant Special Revenue Fund.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

NOTE 3 - CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND RESTATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE

A. Change in Accounting Principles

For 2011, the Educational Service Center has implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) Statement No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions." GASB Statement No. 54 enhances the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying the existing governmental fund type definitions. This statement 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. The implementation of this statement resulted in the reclassification of certain funds and the restatement of the Educational Service Center's statements.

B. Restatement of Prior Year's Fund Balance

The implementation of GASB Statement No, 54 had the following effect on fund balances of the major and nonmajor funds as they were previously reported.

	Other	Governmental
	Governmental	Activities
General	Funds	Total
\$1,001,417	\$121,505	\$1,122,922
114,728	(114,728)	0
\$1,116,145	\$6,777	\$1,122,922
	\$1,001,417 114,728	General Governmental Funds \$1,001,417 \$121,505 114,728 (114,728)

NOTE 4 – FUND BALANCES

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the Educational Service Center is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds. The constraints placed on the fund balance for the General Fund and all other governmental funds are presented below:

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

	General	Other Governmental	
Fund Balances	Fund	Funds	Total
Nonspendable:			
Prepaids	\$3,772	\$721	\$4,493
Unclaimed Monies	28,613		28,613
Total Nonspendable	32,385	721	33,106
Restricted for:			
Miscellaneous Local Funds Expenditures	0	566	566
State Grant Funds Expenditures	0	1,392	1,392
Federal Grant Funds Expenditures	0	1,291	1,291
Total Restricted	0	3,249	3,249
Assigned to:			
Other Purposes	127,971	0	127,971
Total Assigned	127,971	0	127,971
Unassigned:	1,132,171	0	1,132,171
Total Fund Balances	\$1,292,527	\$3,970	\$1,296,497

NOTE 5 – ACCOUNTABILITY

The Management Information Systems, Homeless Grant Special Revenue Funds and the Health Self-Insurance Fund had deficit balances in the amount of \$142, \$160 and \$147,992, respectively, at June 30, 2011. The deficits were the result of the application of generally accepted accounting principles. The General Fund provides transfers to cover deficit balances; however, this is done when cash is needed rather than when accruals occur.

NOTE 6 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

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

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

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board of Education 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.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

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

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

At June 30, 2011, the Educational Service Center's internal service fund had a balance of \$140,301 with OME-RESA, a jointly governed organization (see Note 17). The balance is held by the claims administrator in a pooled account which is representative of numerous entities and therefore cannot be included in the risk disclosures reported by the Educational Service Center. Disclosures for the OME-RESA Self-Insurance Plan as a whole may be obtained from the Plan's fiscal agent, the Jefferson County Educational Service Center. To obtain financial information, write to the Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency Self-Insurance Plan, Treasurer, Jefferson County ESC, Steubenville, Ohio 43695.

Deposits Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Educational Service Center will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. At year end, \$2,441,589 of the Educational Service Center's bank balance of \$2,691,589 was uninsured and uncollateralized. Although all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, non-compliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the Educational Service Center to a successful claim by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

The Educational Service Center has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the Educational Service Center or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured.

Investments As of June 30, 2011, the Educational Service Center had no investments.

NOTE 7 - STATE AND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDING

The Educational Service Center, under state law, provides supervisory services to school districts within its territory. Each local, city, and exempted village school district that entered into an agreement with the Educational Service Center is considered to be provided supervisory services. The cost of the supervisory services is determined by formula under State law. The State Department of Education apportions the costs for all supervisory services among the Educational Service Center's local, city, and exempted village school districts based on each school's total student count.

The Department of Education deducts each school district's amount from their State Foundation Program settlements and remits the amount to the Educational Service Center. The Educational Service Center may provide additional supervisory services if the majority of the local and client school districts agree to the services and the apportionment of the costs to all of the local and client school districts.

The Educational Service Center also receives funding from the State Department of Education in the amount of \$40.52 times the average daily membership of the Educational Service Center. Average daily membership includes the total student counts of all local school districts within the Educational Service Center's territory and all of the Educational Service Center's client school districts. This amount is paid from State resources. The State Department of Education also deducts from the State Foundation Program settlement of each of the Educational Service Center's local and client school district an amount equal to \$6.50 times the school district's total student count and remits this amount to the Educational Service Center.

The Educational Service Center may contract with city, exempted village, local, joint vocational, or cooperative education school districts to provide special education and related services or career-technical education services. The individual boards of education pay the costs for these services directly to the Educational Service Center.

NOTE 8 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2011, consisted of contract services, grants and refunds. All receivables are considered collectible in full and will be received within one year. A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables follows:

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

	Amount
Governmental Activities:	
Alternative Education Challenge Grant	\$12,245
Employment Incentive Grant	18,000
Parent Mentor Grant	9,058
ARRA Homeless Grant	2,585
Early Childhood Special Education Grant	20,906
ARRA Early Childhood Special Education Grant	1,817
CAFS	504
Contract Services	64,956
COBRA Refund	652
BWC Refund	670
Total Intergovernmental Receivable	\$131,393

NOTE 9 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS AND BALANCES

A. Interfund Transfers

	Transfers To
	Other
	Nonmajor
Transfers From	Governmental Funds
General Fund	\$297,208

During fiscal year 2011, the General Fund transferred \$268,911 to the Debt Service Fund for payments on the Building Note and Building Improvement Note. The General Fund also transferred \$28,297 to the EMIS fund to cover expenses in excess of the money provided by the State.

B. Interfund Balances

	Receivable	Payable
General Fund	\$64,612	\$0
Special Revenue Funds:		
Miscellaneous Local Fund	0	18,000
Alternative School Grant	0	12,245
Miscellaneous State Grant Fund	0	9,058
Homeless Grant	0	2,585
Preschool Grant	0	22,724
Total Special Revenue Funds	0	64,612
Total All Funds	\$64,612	\$64,612

Interfund balances at June 30, 2011, consisted of monies advanced from the General Fund to various Special Revenue funds to cover deficit balances at fiscal year end.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

NOTE 10 - CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	Balance			Balance
	June 30, 2010	Additions	Deletions	June 30, 2011
Nondepreciable Capital Assets				
Land	\$100,344	\$0	\$0	\$100,344
Total Nondepreciable Assets	100,344	0	0	100,344
Depreciable Capital Assets				
Land Improvements	15,115	0	0	15,115
Buildings	974,105	0	0	974,105
Machinery, Equipment, Furniture and				
Fixtures	61,585	0	0	61,585
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	1,050,805	0	0	1,050,805
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Land Improvements	(12,713)	(253)	0	(12,966)
Buildings	(609,756)	(28,675)	0	(638,431)
Machinery, Equipment, Furniture and				
Fixtures	(25,595)	(8,772)	0	(34,367)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(648,064)	(37,700) *	0	(685,764)
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	402,741	(37,700)	0	365,041
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$503,085	(\$37,700)	\$0	\$465,385

^{*} Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Instruction:	
Regular	\$2,186
Special	4,750
Adult/Continuing	448
Support Services:	
Pupils	3,335
Instructional Staff	7,766
Board of Education	6,482
Administration	10,965
Fiscal	1,768
Total Governmental Depreciation	\$37,700

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Insurance

The Educational Service Center is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2011, the Educational Service Center joined together with other school districts in Ohio to participate in the Ohio School Plan (OSP), a public entity insurance purchasing pool. Each individual school district enters into an agreement with the OSP and its premium is based on types of coverage, limits of coverage, and deductibles that it selects. The Educational Service Center pays this annual premium to the OSP (see Note 19).

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

During fiscal year 2011, the Educational Service Center purchased the following coverage:

Ohio School Plan		
Fleet Insurance:		
Liability	\$1,000,000	any one accident
Educational General Liability:		
General Aggregate Limit	\$3,000,000	
Employee Benefits Liability:		
Aggregate Limit	\$3,000,000	\$2,500 deducitble
Employers' Liability:		
Bodily Injury	\$1,000,000	any one accident
Educational Legal Liability:		
Errors and Ommissions Aggregate Limit	\$3,000,000	\$2,500 deducitble
Employment Practices Injury Aggregate Limit	\$3,000,000	\$2,500 deducitble
Declatory, Equitable, and Injunctive Relief		
Defense Aggregate	\$100,000	\$2,500 deductible
Violence Coverage:		
Plan Aggregate Limit	\$1,000,000	
Building	\$2,775,043	
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Settled claims have not exceeded their commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There has been a reduction in insurance coverage from the prior year in the area of fleet insurance due to the Educational Service Center not owning any vehicles.

B. Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

For fiscal year 2011, the Educational Service Center participated in the Ohio SchoolComp: A Program of OSBA & OABSO Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 17). The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the Educational Service Center by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of CompManagement, Inc. provides administrative, cost control, and actuarial services to the GRP.

C. Medical/Surgical, Dental, Vision, and Prescription Drug Insurances

Medical/surgical, dental, vision, and prescription drug insurance is offered through a self-insurance internal service fund. The Educational Service Center pays for 80% of single, family, employee plus spouse or employee plus child coverage premiums for this insurance. The Educational Service Center is a member of a claims servicing pool in which monthly premiums are paid to the fiscal agent who in turn pays the claims on the Educational Service Center's behalf. The claims liability of \$288,293 reported in the internal service fund at June 30, 2011, is based on an estimate provided by the third party administrator and the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 30 which requires that a liability for unpaid claims costs, including estimates of costs relating to incurred but not reported claims, be reported. The estimate was not affected by the incremental claims adjustment expenses and does not include other allocated or unallocated claim adjustment expenses.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Changes in claims activity for the past two fiscal years are as follows:

,	Balance at Beginning of Year	Current Year Claims	Claim Payments	Balance at End of Year
2010	\$256,339	\$777,818	\$811,409	\$222,748
2011	222,748	1,038,057	972,512	288,293

NOTE 12 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A. Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave benefits are derived from board policies and State laws. Eligible classified employees earn twelve to twenty days of vacation per year, depending upon length of service. Administrators earn twenty days of vacation per year. Teachers do not earn vacation time. The liability for vacation benefits is recorded as long-term liabilities.

Teachers, administrators, and classified employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. All employees can accumulate sick leave days up to a maximum of 240 days. Upon retirement, payment is made for twenty-five percent of the employees' accumulated sick leave with a maximum payment being limited to 45 days.

B. Other Employee Benefits

The Educational Service Center provides term life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance through Colonial Life Insurance Company in the amount of \$30,000 for all of its full time employees.

NOTE 13 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

A. School Employees Retirement System

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

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Educational Service Center is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current Educational Service Center rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the Educational Service Center's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits; for fiscal year 2011, 11.81 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to a statutory maximum amount of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. The Educational Service Center's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 were \$198,000, \$220,265, and \$167,564 respectively; 89.58 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2010 and 2009.

B. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description - The Educational Service 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.

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.

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

Funding Policy - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Educational Service Center was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2011, the portion used to fund pension obligations was also 13 percent. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

The Educational Service Center's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$508,470, \$523,007, and \$590,371 respectively; 89.58 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2010 and 2009. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2011 were \$542 made by the Educational Service Center and \$387 made by the plan members.

C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the School Employees Retirement System. As of June 30, 2011, the two board members of the Educational Service Center elected Social Security. The contribution rate is 6.2 percent of wages.

NOTE 14 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. School Employee Retirement System

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

Funding Policy – State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401h. For 2011, 1.43 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined amount; for 2011, this amount was \$35,800.

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

The Educational Service Center's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$25,835, \$26,611, and \$77,681 respectively; 90.33 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011 and 100 percent for fiscal years 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 2011, this actuarially required allocation was 0.76 percent of covered payroll. The Educational Service Center's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$12,849, \$12,687, and \$14,001 respectively; 89.67 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2010 and 2009.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

B. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description – The Educational Service Center contributes to the cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS Ohio. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS Ohio which may be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org 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 Educational Service Center's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$39,113, \$40,231, and \$45,411 respectively; 89.58 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2010 and 2009.

NOTE 15 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The changes in the Educational Service Center's long-term obligations during the fiscal year 2011 were as follows:

	Outstanding 06/30/10	Additions	Deductions	Outstanding 06/30/11	Amount Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities					
2007 Building Note - 5.1%	\$222,632	\$0	\$222,632	\$0	\$0
2007 Building - 5.1% Improvement Note	33.786	0	33.786	0	0
Capital Leases Payable	22,266	0	6,210	16,056	6,837
Compensated Absences	404,232	131,807	120,977	415,062	108,369
Total Governmental					
Long-Term Liabilities	\$682,916	\$131,807	\$383,605	\$431,118	\$115,206

Capital leases and compensated absences will be paid from the General Fund.

The 2007 building note was issued in the amount of \$255,000 for the purchase of an administration building. The 2007 building improvement note was issued in the amount of \$50,000 for making improvements to the administration building. The 2007 building note and 2007 building improvement note were paid in full during fiscal year 2011.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

NOTE 16 – CAPITAL LEASES

During fiscal year 2009, the Educational Service Center entered into capitalized lease agreements for two copying machines in the amount of \$17,484 and \$14,500 respectively. These leases meet the criteria of a capital lease as defined by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 13, "Accounting for Leases," which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee. Capital lease payments have been reclassified from support service expenditures in the budgetary statements to principal debt service expenditures in the basic financial statements for the General Fund.

Actual principal payments in fiscal year 2011 totaled \$6,210. The equipment was originally capitalized in the amount of \$31,984, the present value of the minimum lease payments at the inception of the leases. The accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2011 was \$17,833 and the book value was \$14,151.

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

Fiscal Year	Amount
2012	\$8,091
2013	8,091
2014	1,718
Total Minimum Lease Payments	17,900
Less: Amount Representing Interest	(1,844)
Present Value of Minumim Lease Payments	\$16,056

NOTE 17 - JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

A. Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency (OME-RESA)

OME-RESA was created as a regional council of governments pursuant to State statutes. OME-RESA includes school districts from 12 participating counties consisting of Belmont, Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Holmes, Jefferson, Monroe, Muskingum, Noble, and Tuscarawas Counties. OME-RESA provides financial accounting services, educational management information, legal services, and cooperative purchasing services to member districts. OME-RESA is governed by a governing board which is selected by the member districts. OME-RESA possesses its own budgeting authority. The Educational Service Center's payment for computer services to OME-RESA in fiscal year 2011 was \$24,332. To obtain financial information write to the Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency, Treasurer, at 2023 Sunset Blvd., Steubenville, Ohio 43952.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

B. Coalition of Rural and Appalachian Schools (CORAS)

The Coalition of Rural and Appalachian Schools is a jointly governed organization composed of over 136 school districts and other educational institutions in the 35-county region of Ohio designated as Appalachia. The Coalition is operated by a Board which is composed of seventeen members. One elected and one appointed from each of the seven regions into which the 35 Appalachian counties are divided; and three from Ohio University College of Education. The Council provides various in-service training programs for school district administrative personnel; gathers data regarding the level of education provided to children in the region; cooperates with other professional groups to assess and develop programs designed to meet the needs of member districts; and provides staff development programs Educational Service Center personnel. The Council is not dependent on the continued participation of the Educational Service Center and the Educational Service Center does not maintain an equity interest in or financial responsibility for the Council. The School District's membership fee was \$325 for fiscal year 2011. The financial information for the Coalition can be obtained from the Executive Director, at McCraken Hall, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio 45701.

C. Ohio Coalition of Equity and Adequacy of School Funding

The Ohio Coalition of Equity and Adequacy of School Funding is organized as a regional council of governments established in January 1991. The purpose of the Coalition is to bring about greater equity and adequacy of public school funding in Ohio. The Coalition is governed by a Steering Committee consisting of representative from the membership group. The steering committee consistes of not more than 78 representatives, who are Superintendents of Board of Education that are Coalition members, plus an additional 12 representatives may be appointed by the Chairperson. During fiscal year 2011, the Educational Service Center paid \$840 to the Coalition. Financial information can be obtained by contacting the Coalition's fiscal agent, Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center, 205 North Seventh Street, Zanesville, Ohio 43701-3709.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

NOTE 18 – RISK SHARING, CLAIMS SERVICING POOL, AND INSURANCE PURCHASING POOL

The Educational Service Center participates in the Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency (OME-RESA) Self-Insurance Plan, a risk sharing, claims servicing, and insurance purchasing pool comprised of eighty-four members, including two insurance consortiums. Each participant appoints a member of the insurance plans' assembly. The Plans' business and affairs are conducted by a nine member Board of Directors elected from the assembly. The plan offers medical, dental and prescription drug coverage to the members on a self-insured basis, as well as the opportunity to participate in the group purchasing of life insurance coverage. The medical coverage plan provides each plan participant the opportunity to choose a self-insurance deductible limit which can range from \$35,000 to \$100,000 under which the individual member is responsible for all claims through the claims servicing pool. Plan participants also participate in a shared risk internal pool for individual claims between the self-insurance deductible limit and \$400,000, and all claims between the deductible and the \$400,000 are paid from the internal shared risk pool. The internal pool is not owned by the plan participants. All participants pay a premium rate that is actuarially calculated based on the participants' actual claims experience which are utilized for the payment of claims within the claims servicing pool up to the self-insurance deductible limit; and for this portion of the plan, all plan participants retain their own risk. All participants pay an additional fee for participation in the internal pool that is based on the claims of the internal pool in aggregate and is not based on individual claims experience. In the event of a deficiency in the internal pool, participants would be charged a higher rate for participation, and in the event of a surplus, the internal pool pays dividends to the participants. For all individual claims exceeding \$400,000, stop loss coverage is purchased, as well as for an annual total plan aggregate claims amount. All plan participants also pay a monthly administrative fee for fiscal services and third party administrative services. The plan also purchases fully insured life insurance for plan participants provided by Met Life.

NOTE 19 - INSURANCE PURCHASING POOLS

A. Ohio SchoolComp: A Program of OSBA & OASBO Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP)

The Educational Service Center participates in the Ohio SchoolComp: A Program of OSBA & OASBO Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three member Board of directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the program. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program. The Educational Service Center's enrollment fee for fiscal year 2011 was \$740.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

B. Ohio School Plan (OSP)

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

NOTE 20 - CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The Educational Service Center received financial assistance from federal and State agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Educational Service Center at June 30, 2011.

B. Litigation

The Educational Service Center is currently not party to any litigation.

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

Ohio Valley Educational Service Center Guernsey County 128 East 8th Street Cambridge, Ohio 43725

To the Governing Board:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center, Guernsey County, Ohio (the Educational Service Center), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Educational Service Center's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 23, 2012, wherein we noted that the Educational Service Center has adopted Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No 54. 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 Educational Service Center's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of opining on the effectiveness of the Educational Service Center's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Educational 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 Educational 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.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Educational 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*.

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We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the audit committee, the Board of Education and others within the Educational Service Center. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

January 23, 2012



OHIO VALLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER

GUERNSEY COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED FEBRUARY 9, 2012