



Mater Academy East Charter School
W/L# 3100

Miami, Florida

(A charter school under
Mater Academy, Inc.)

Financial Statements and
Independent Auditors' Report
June 30, 2024

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2023-2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of
Mater Academy East Charter School
Miami, Florida

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Mater Academy East Charter School (the "School"), a charter school under Mater Academy, Inc., as of, and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Mater Academy East Charter School as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Mater Academy, Inc., and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

Emphasis of a Matter – Presentation

As described in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present only the financial position and change in financial position of Mater Academy East Charter School that is attributable to the transactions of the School and is not intended to be a complete presentation of Mater Academy, Inc. These financial statements do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Mater Academy, Inc., as of June 30, 2024, and its changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 5 through 9 and 31 through 32 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 12, 2024, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to solely describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Coral Gables, Florida
September 12, 2024

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Management's Discussion and Analysis
Mater Academy East Charter School
(A Charter School Under Mater Academy, Inc.)
June 30, 2024

The corporate officers of Mater Academy, Inc., have prepared this narrative overview and analysis of the Mater Academy East Charter School's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

Financial Highlights

1. The net position of the School at June 30, 2024 was \$4,119,488.
2. At year-end, the School had current assets on hand of \$2,907,793.
3. The net position of the School increased by \$1,660,514 during the year.
4. The unassigned fund balance at year end was \$1,872,877.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the School's basic financial statements. The School's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2024 are presented in accordance with GASB Codification Section 2200. The financial statements have three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the School's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all of the School's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. The difference between the four is reported as *net position*. Over time increases or decreases in net position may serve as an indicator of whether the financial position of the School is improving or deteriorating.

The *Statement of Activities* presents information on how the School's net position changed during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported when the underlying event occurs without regard to the timing of related cash flows. Accordingly, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 10-11 of this report.

Fund Financial Statements

A "fund" is a collection of related accounts grouped to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities, projects, or objectives. The School like other state and local governments uses fund accounting to ensure and report compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

All of the funds of the School are governmental funds. *Governmental Funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Governmental Fund financial statements, however, focus on *near-term* inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on the balances of spendable resources which are available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be used to evaluate a government's requirements for near-term financing.

The Board of the School adopts an annual appropriated budget for its major governmental funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for its major governmental funds to demonstrate compliance with the School's budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 12 - 15 of this report.

Notes to Financial Statements

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 16 – 30 of this report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a charter school's financial position. In the case of the School, the net position was \$4,119,488 at the close of the fiscal year. A summary of the School's net position as of June 30, 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

	2024	2023
Cash	\$ 416,291	\$ 439,755
Investments	1,797,000	357,000
Prepaid expenses and other assets	78,487	270,267
Due from other agencies	1,242,055	1,153,072
Due from other divisions of Mater Academy, Inc.	1,000,000	1,000,000
Capital assets and right of use capital assets, net	7,902,653	8,070,692
Total Assets	12,436,486	11,290,786
Deferred outflows of resources	-	-
Salaries and wages payable	211,623	140,601
Accounts Payable	258,652	447,471
Due to Mater Academy Foundation, Inc.	-	300,000
Lease liability	7,846,723	7,943,740
Total Liabilities	8,316,998	8,831,812
Deferred inflows of resources	-	-
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets	55,930	126,952
Restricted	484,748	71,625
Unrestricted	3,578,810	2,260,397
Total Net Position	\$ 4,119,488	\$ 2,458,974

At the end of the fiscal year, the School can report positive balances in net position.

A summary and analysis of the School's revenues and expenses for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

	2024	2023
REVENUES		
Program Revenues		
Operating Grants and Contributions	\$ 1,243,410	\$ 1,636,406
Capital Grants and Contributions	445,450	428,174
Charges for services and other revenues	33,365	28,000
General Revenues		
State and Local Sources	6,773,679	4,971,890
Other Revenues	425,586	128,810
Total Revenues	\$ 8,921,490	\$ 7,193,280
EXPENSES		
Governmental Activities:		
Instruction	\$ 3,574,563	\$ 3,367,730
Student support services	137,248	93,065
Instructional staff training	32,958	29,649
Board	101,444	38,679
General administration	41,867	-
School administration	661,412	768,917
Facilities acquisition	18,169	8,174
Fiscal services	86,687	84,150
Food services	312,085	291,383
Central services	167,654	219,550
Pupil transportation	24,093	-
Operation of plant	1,212,028	1,091,402
Maintenance of plant	401,828	324,659
Administrative technology services	75,452	-
Community services	18,504	6,921
Interest	394,984	399,706
Total Expenses	7,260,976	6,723,985
Change in Net Position	1,660,514	469,295
Net Position at Beginning of Year	2,458,974	1,989,679
Net Position at End of Year	\$ 4,119,488	\$ 2,458,974

The School's revenues and expenses increased by \$1,728,210 and \$536,991, respectively. The School had an increase in its net position of \$1,660,514 for the year.

Capital Improvement Requirements

The School maintains a continuous capital improvements program to enhance facilities and update fixtures and equipment as required.

School Location

For 2023-2024, the school continues to operate from its facility located at 450 SW 4th Street in Miami, Florida 33130.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUND

As noted earlier, the School uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the School's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the School's financing requirements. In particular, the *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

Most of the School's operations are funded in the General Fund. The majority of the General Fund revenues are distributed to the School by the District through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP), which uses formulas to distribute state funds and an amount of local property taxes (i.e., required local effort) established each year by the Florida Legislature.

At the end of the fiscal year, the School's governmental general fund reported ending fund balance of \$2,321,189. The fund balance unassigned and available for spending at the School's discretion is \$1,872,877. These funds will be available for the School's future ongoing operations.

Capital Assets

The School's investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2024, amounts to \$563,602 (net of accumulated depreciation) and right of use lease asset (building) of \$7,339,051 (net of accumulated amortization). This investment in capital assets includes right of use lease asset (building), improvements, furniture and equipment. As of June 30, 2024, the School had long-term liabilities of \$7,846,723 associated to its capital assets.

The lease asset is amortized using the straight-line method over the term of the lease and the lease liability amortizes based on the effective interest method resulting in a higher liability and expense during the early years of the lease

Governmental Fund Budget Analysis and Highlights

Prior to the start of the School's fiscal year, the Board of the Charter School adopted an annual budget. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the governmental fund to demonstrate compliance with the School's budget.

	Governmental Funds		
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual
REVENUES			
Program Revenues			
Capital grants and contributions	\$ 426,075	\$ 432,190	\$ 445,450
Federal sources	1,716,142	1,923,512	1,972,745
Charges for services and other revenue	20,500	32,200	32,331
General Revenues			
State and local sources	5,698,128	6,079,216	6,147,639
Charges for services and other revenues	424,405	400,167	426,620
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 8,285,250</u>	<u>\$ 8,867,285</u>	<u>\$ 9,024,785</u>
CURRENT EXPENDITURES			
Governmental Activities			
Instruction	\$ 3,759,302	\$ 3,658,149	\$ 3,545,308
Student support services	161,100	141,982	137,248
Instructional staff training	40,250	48,512	32,958
Board	139,563	102,044	101,444
General administration	43,185	42,500	41,867
School administration	711,109	701,373	660,119
Fiscal services	91,042	87,054	86,687
Food services	308,200	328,367	305,743
Central services	179,382	171,328	167,654
Pupil transportation	25,000	25,000	24,093
Operation of plant	966,893	960,589	948,502
Maintenance of plant	417,629	416,000	397,028
Administrative technology services	80,500	80,500	75,452
Community services	26,000	26,000	18,504
Total Current Expenditures	<u>\$ 6,949,155</u>	<u>\$ 6,789,398</u>	<u>\$ 6,542,607</u>

Most variances occurred as a result of the Budget adopted being more conservative than actual results for the year.

Requests for Information

This financial report is intended to provide a general overview of the finances of the Charter School. Requests for additional information may be addressed to Ms. Ana Martinez at Academica Dade, LLC, 6340 Sunset Drive, Miami, Florida 33143.

Mater Academy East Charter School
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Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2024

	Primary Government Governmental Activities
<u>Assets</u>	
Current assets:	
Cash	\$ 416,291
Investments	1,797,000
Prepaid expenses and other assets	78,487
Due from other agencies	616,015
Total Current Assets	2,907,793
Due from other agencies, long-term	626,040
Due from other divisions of Mater Academy, Inc.	1,000,000
	1,626,040
Capital assets, depreciable	1,029,363
Less: accumulated depreciation	(465,761)
Right-to-use lease asset	8,179,984
Less: accumulated amortization	(840,933)
Total Capital Assets, net	7,902,653
Total Assets	12,436,486
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	-
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Current liabilities:	
Salaries and wages payable	211,623
Lease liability, current	101,980
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	258,652
Total Current Liabilities	572,255
Lease liability	7,744,743
Total Liabilities	8,316,998
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	-
<u>Net Position</u>	
Net investment in capital assets	55,930
Restricted net position for:	
Lunch Program	114,923
Miami-Dade Referendum	369,825
Unrestricted	3,578,810
Total Net Position	\$ 4,119,488

The accompanying notes are an integral
part of this financial statement.

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Statement of Activities

For the year ended June 30, 2024

Primary Government	Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
Governmental activities:					
Instruction	\$ 3,574,563	\$ -	\$ 891,303	\$ -	\$ (2,683,260)
Student support services	137,248	-	-	-	(137,248)
Instructional staff training	32,958	-	26,741	-	(6,217)
Board	101,444	-	-	-	(101,444)
General administration	41,867	-	-	-	(41,867)
School administration	661,412	-	46,830	-	(614,582)
Facilities acquisition	18,169	-	-	-	(18,169)
Fiscal services	86,687	-	-	-	(86,687)
Food services	312,085	15,656	255,649	-	(40,780)
Central services	167,654	-	-	-	(167,654)
Pupil transportation	24,093	-	-	-	(24,093)
Operation of plant	1,212,028	1,034	22,887	445,450	(742,657)
Maintenance of plant	401,828	-	-	-	(401,828)
Administrative technology services	75,452	-	-	-	(75,452)
Community services	18,504	16,675	-	-	(1,829)
Interest	394,984	-	-	-	(394,984)
Total governmental activities	7,260,976	33,365	1,243,410	445,450	(5,538,751)
General revenues:					
State and local sources					6,773,679
Interest and other revenue					425,586
Change in net position					1,660,514
Net position, beginning					2,458,974
Net position, ending					\$ 4,119,488

The accompanying notes are an integral
part of this financial statement.

Mater Academy East Charter School
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Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
June 30, 2024

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<u>Assets</u>				
Cash	\$ 299,962	\$ 116,329	\$ -	\$ 416,291
Investments	1,797,000	-	-	1,797,000
Due from other agencies	596,228	-	19,787	616,015
Due from fund	19,787	-	-	19,787
Prepaid expenses and other assets	78,487	-	-	78,487
Total Assets	2,791,464	116,329	19,787	2,927,580
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	-	-	-	-
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Salaries and wages payable	211,623	-	-	211,623
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	258,652	-	-	258,652
Due to fund	-	-	19,787	19,787
Total Liabilities	470,275	-	19,787	490,062
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	-	-	-	-
<u>Fund balance</u>				
Nonspendable, not in spendable form	78,487	-	-	78,487
Restricted	369,825	114,923	-	484,748
Assigned	-	1,406	-	1,406
Unassigned	1,872,877	-	-	1,872,877
	2,321,189	116,329	-	2,437,518
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance	\$ 2,791,464	\$ 116,329	\$ 19,787	\$ 2,927,580

The accompanying notes are an integral
part of this financial statement.

Mater Academy East Charter School
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Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2024

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds \$ 2,437,518

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Depreciable and non-depreciable capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and amortization used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the fund.

Capital assets, depreciable	1,029,363	
Less: accumulated depreciation	(465,761)	
Right-of-use lease asset	8,179,984	
Less: accumulated amortization	<u>(840,933)</u>	7,902,653

Long term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. (7,846,723)

Long term receivables in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds. 1,626,040

Total Net Position - Governmental Activities \$ 4,119,488

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund	Special	Capital Projects	Total Governmental
		Revenue Fund	Fund	Funds
Revenues:				
State capital outlay funding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 333,443	\$ 333,443
State passed through local	4,879,156	-	-	4,879,156
Local sources	1,268,483	-	112,007	1,380,490
Federal sources	-	1,972,745	-	1,972,745
Charges for services and other revenue	426,620	32,331	-	458,951
Total Revenues	6,574,259	2,005,076	445,450	9,024,785
Expenditures:				
Current				
Instruction	2,586,684	958,624	-	3,545,308
Student support services	137,248	-	-	137,248
Instructional staff training	6,217	26,741	-	32,958
Board	101,444	-	-	101,444
General administration	41,867	-	-	41,867
School administration	613,289	46,830	-	660,119
Facilities acquisition	-	-	-	-
Fiscal services	86,687	-	-	86,687
Food services	-	305,743	-	305,743
Central services	167,654	-	-	167,654
Pupil transportation	24,093	-	-	24,093
Operation of plant	925,615	22,887	-	948,502
Maintenance of plant	397,028	-	-	397,028
Administrative technology services	75,452	-	-	75,452
Community services	-	18,504	-	18,504
Capital Outlay:				
Other capital outlay	155,346	-	-	155,346
Debt Service:				
Principal	-	-	97,017	97,017
Interest	-	-	394,984	394,984
Total Expenditures	5,318,624	1,379,329	492,001	7,189,954
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenditures	1,255,635	625,747	(46,551)	1,834,831
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in (out)	615,463	(662,014)	46,551	-
Net change in fund balance	1,871,098	(36,267)	-	1,834,831
Fund Balance at beginning of year	450,091	152,596	-	602,687
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 2,321,189	\$ 116,329	\$ -	\$ 2,437,518

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

Mater Academy East Charter School
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Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the year ended June 30, 2024

Net Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds \$ 1,834,831

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.

Capital outlay	155,346	
Depreciation and amortization expense	<u>(323,385)</u>	(168,039)

Revenues are recognized using the full accrual basis of accounting in the government-wide statements. However, revenues are recognized when they are measurable and available in the governmental funds.

(103,295)

Increase in long-term liabilities is revenue in the governmental funds, but a decrease or repayment of such payables reduces liabilities in the statement of net position.

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Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 1,660,514

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

Mater Academy East Charter School (the "School"), is a charter school sponsored by the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "District"). The School's charter is held by Mater Academy, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act. The governing body of the School is the board of directors of Mater Academy, Inc., which is composed of six members and also governs other charter schools. The board of directors has determined that no component unit exists that would require inclusion in the School's financial statements.

The general operating authority of the School is contained in Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. The School operates under a charter granted by the sponsoring district, the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The current charter expires on June 30, 2027 and it can be renewed in accordance with the law. A charter can also be terminated before its date of expiration for reasons set forth in the charter and Section 1002.33 of the Florida Statutes.

The School is located in Miami, Florida for students from kindergarten through fifth grade. These financial statements are for the year ended June 30, 2024, when on average 547 students were enrolled for the school year.

Basis of Presentation

The School's accounting policies conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States applicable to state and local governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Accordingly, the basic financial statements include both the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. These statements report information about the School as a whole. Any internal interfund activity has been eliminated from these financial statements. Both statements report only governmental activities as the School does not engage in any business type activities. These statements also do not include fiduciary funds.

The statement of activities reports the expenses of a given function offset by program revenues directly connected with the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expenses and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity. Program revenues include: (1) charges for services, such as food service and student activity fees; (2) operating grants such as the National School Lunch Program, Federal grants, and other state allocations; and (3) capital grants specific to capital outlay. In addition, revenues not classified as program revenues are shown as general revenues, which include Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) revenues and other state and local sources.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements are provided for governmental funds. The operations of the funds are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, deferred outflow of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, equity, revenues and expenditures. The School reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund – is the School’s primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the school, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Fund – accounts for specific revenues, such as federal funding and federal lunch program that are legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes. Also, accounts for resources of the School’s Internal Fund, which is used to administer monies collected in connection with schools, student athletics, class, and club activities.

Capital Projects Fund – is used to account for the resources restricted for the acquisition or construction of specific capital assets and from state and local capital funding that are legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the School are prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). The School’s reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance*.

The government-wide statements report using the economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. The School recognizes assets of non-exchange transactions in the period when the underlying transaction occurs, when an enforceable legal claim has arisen, or when all eligibility requirements are met. Revenues are recognized, on the modified accrual basis, when they are measurable and available. Non-exchange transactions occur when the school provides (or receives) value to (from) another party without receiving (or giving) equal or nearly equal value in return. Most donations are examples of non-exchange transactions. Revenues from grants and donations are recognized on the accrual basis, in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. In addition, revenue not classified as program revenues are shown as general revenues, which include Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) revenues and other miscellaneous sources.

Governmental fund financial statements report using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. “Measurable” means the amount of the transaction can be determined. “Available” means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) revenues are recognized when received. A one-year availability period is used for revenue recognition for all other governmental fund revenues. Charges for services and fees are recognized when cash is collected as amounts are not measurable. When grant terms provide that the expenditure of funds is the prime factor for determining eligibility for federal, state, and other grant funds, revenue is recognized at the time the expenditure is made. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for long-term debt principal and interest which are reported as expenditures in the year due.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

In compliance with Florida Statutes, the Board of Directors adopts an annual budget using the modified accrual basis of accounting. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the object level (e.g. salaries and benefits, purchased services, materials and supplies and capital outlay) within each activity (e.g. instruction, pupil personnel services and school administration). Revisions to the annual budget are approved by the Board.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The School does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The School does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

Cash and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, non-marketable time deposits with maturities of three months or less when purchased, and money market/savings accounts. The School has not adopted a formal deposit and investment policy that limits the School's allowable deposits or investments and address specific types of risk; however the School invests excess deposit funds in a government money market mutual fund.

The School follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and External Investment Pools, GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*, and other related standards which establish accounting and financial reporting standards for all investments (see Note 2). Money market investment that have maturities of one year or less from the date of acquisition are reported at amortized cost rather than fair value. Amortized cost closely approximates fair value.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Capital Assets

The School's property, plant and equipment with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical cost and comprehensively reported in the statement of net position in the government-wide financial statements. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair market value on the date donated. The School generally capitalizes assets with a cost of \$1,000 or more. Building improvements, additions and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the asset value or materially extend useful lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. When capital assets are sold or disposed of, the related cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in the governmentwide statements. Proceeds received from the sale or disposal of capital assets are recorded as Other Financing Sources in the governmental funds. The right to use assets are initially measure at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related lease liability plus any lease payments made prior to the lease term, less lease incentives, and plus ancillary charges necessary to place the lease into service. The right to use assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease. Estimated useful lives, in years, for capital assets are as follows:

Right-of-use asset (building)	35 Years
Building and improvements	5-20 Years
Furniture and equipment	5 Years

Compensated Absences

The School grants a specific number of personal time off. Full time instructional employees are eligible to one day per month to up to ten days of active work during the ten-month period (a "benefit year"). In the event that available time is not used by the end of the benefit year, employees may "rollover" all unused days for use in future benefit years. Employees "cash out" unused days for personal time off, however, the employees may only cash out if they have used three days or less in that benefit year. Employees may not cash out more than ten days per school year and are required to maintain a minimum of twenty-one unused days in order to cash out. The cash out value is eighty percent of their current daily rate. There is no termination payment for accumulated unused days. Non-exempt and office salaried employees are not eligible to "cash out" unused personal time off days.

GASB Codification Section C60, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*, provides that compensated absences that are contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee should be accounted for in the period those events take place. Accordingly, these financial statements do not include an accrual for compensated absences available to be used in future benefits years.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Revenue Sources

Revenues for current operations are received primarily from State through the District pursuant to the funding provisions included in the School's charter. In accordance with the funding provisions of the charter and Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes, the School will report the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the District.

Under the provisions of Section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, the District reports the number of the full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) for funding through the FEFP.

Funding for the School is adjusted during the year to reflect the revised calculations by the FDOE under the FEFP and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students reported by the School during the designated full-time equivalent student survey periods. After review and verification of FTE reports and supporting documentation, the FDOE may adjust subsequent fiscal period allocations of FEFP funding for prior year errors disclosed by its review as well as to prevent statewide allocations from exceeding the amount authorized by the Legislature. Normally, such adjustments are treated as reductions of revenue in the year the adjustment is made. In addition, the School receives a portion of the local operating millage revenues levied by the District (Secure our Future Referendum).

The School receives state funds through the District under charter school capital outlay funding pursuant to Section 1013.62, Florida Statutes. Funds are based on a capital outlay plan submitted to the District and are to be used for lease of school facilities. In addition, the School may receive a portion of the local capital improvement tax revenues levied by the District.

Finally, the School also receives Federal awards for the enhancement of various educational programs. Federal awards are generally received based on applications submitted to and approved by various granting agencies. For Federal awards in which a claim to these grant proceeds is based on incurring eligible expenditures, revenue is recognized to the extent that eligible expenditures have been incurred. Any excess amounts are recorded as deferred revenues until expended. Additionally, other revenues may be derived from various fundraising activities and certain other programs.

Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets

Other assets consist mainly of prepaid expenses which are payments for goods or services that have not been consumed or used at year end. The expenditure will be recorded when the asset is used. Accordingly, prepaid expenses are equally offset by a nonspendable fund balance classification.

Long-Term Debt and Liabilities

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term liabilities are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities statement of net position. In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types report the face amount of debt issued as other financing sources.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Net Position and Fund Balance Classification

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Equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- a) Net investment in capital assets and long-term receivables - consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition or improvement of those assets.
- b) Restricted net position - consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments.
- c) Unrestricted net position - all other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for a specific purpose, it is the School's policy to use restricted resources first, until exhausted, before using unrestricted resources.

Fund financial statements

GASB Codification Section 1800.142, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, defines the different types of fund balances that a governmental entity must use for financial reporting purposes. GASB requires the fund balance amounts to be properly reported within one of the fund balance categories listed below:

- a) Nonspendable - includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Consists of fund balance associated with inventories, prepaid expenses, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed, or assigned).
- b) Restricted - this classification includes fund balance category amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation. Restricted fund balance at year end pertains to the School's National School Lunch Program and unspent local referendum funds.
- c) Committed - fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the School's Board of Directors. There are no committed fund balances at year end.
- d) Assigned - fund balance classification that is intended to be used by the School's management for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. Assigned fund balances at year end pertain to the School's Internal Student Activities Account.
- e) Unassigned - portion of the fund balance that has not been restricted, committed or assigned for a specific purpose. This is the residual classification for the School's general fund.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Committed amounts would be reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

Inter-fund Transfers

Inter-fund receivables/payables (“due from/to”) are short-term balances that represent reimbursements between funds for payments made by one fund on behalf of another fund.

Due from Other Governments or Agencies

Amounts due to the School by other governments or agencies relate to grants or programs for which the services have been provided by the School.

Income Taxes

Mater Academy, Inc., qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and is, therefore, exempt from income tax. Accordingly, no tax provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

Subsequent Events

In accordance with GASB Codification Section 2250.106, the School has evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through September 12, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

New Accounting Standard Adopted

During the fiscal year, the School adopted a new statement of financial accounting standard issued by Governmental Accounting Standard Board: GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*. This adoption had no material effect on the School’s financial statements as of June 30, 2024.

Pronouncements Issued But Not Yet Effective

GASB has issued GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensating Absences*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for certain types of compensated absences including parental leave, military leave, and injury duty leave. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2023. The School is currently evaluating the effect that implementation of the new standard will have on its financial statements.

Note 2 – Cash and Investments

Deposits

The School maintains its cash and cash equivalents in two financial institutions. Deposits at FDIC-insured institutions are insured up to \$250,000 per depositor, per financial institution. The School is a charter school under Mater Academy, Inc., which also operates various other charter schools. All bank accounts are opened under the account ownership of Mater Academy, Inc., therefore, bank balances at times may potentially be in excess of FDIC coverage. As of June 30, 2024, bank balances in potential excess of FDIC coverage was \$423,982.

Investments

The School follows the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, credit risk, etc.); Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

At June 30, 2024, the School had \$2,380,000 invested in a governmental money market mutual fund that is exempt from GASB 72 fair value hierarchy disclosures. The governmental money market mutual fund values its portfolio securities at amortized cost which approximates fair value. The government money market mutual fund primarily invests in cash, high quality, short-term U.S. government securities and/or repurchase agreements that are collateralized fully by government securities that have been valued by the fund as Level 2. As of June 30, 2024, maturities of the fund's portfolio holdings are approximately 86% within 30 days.

Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of investments in a single issuer. The School manages its exposure to credit risk by limiting investments to highly rated government money market mutual funds. The fund is rated Aaa-mf by Moody's.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a failure of a depository financial institution or counterparty that is in possession of investment or collateral securities, the School will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, the School will not be able to recover the value of investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At June 30, 2024, all of the School's investments in government money market mutual funds were held in a separate account and designated as assets of the School.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rate will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The School manages its exposure to declines in fair values by limiting all investments to government money market mutual funds that can be redeemed daily.

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Note 3 – Due from Other Agencies

The following is due from other agencies as of June 30, 2024:

Funding Source	Governmental Fund	Balance
Due from Miami-Dade County Public Schools, referendum	General Fund	\$ 596,228
Capital Outlay	Capital Projects Fund	19,787
Total Due from Other Agencies, current		<u>\$ 616,015</u>
Due from Miami-Dade County Public Schools, referendum, long-term portion		626,040
Total Due from Other Agencies		<u>\$ 1,242,055</u>

Note 4 – Capital Assets

The following schedule provides a summary of changes in capital assets, acquired substantially with public funds, for the year ended June 30, 2024:

	Balance 07/01/23	Additions	Retirement	Balance 06/30/24
Capital Assets, depreciable:				
Improvements	\$ 580,481	\$ 133,923	\$ -	\$ 714,404
Computer equipment and software	94,494	2,563	(43,869)	53,188
Furniture and equipment	254,653	18,860	(11,742)	261,771
Total Capital Assets	<u>\$ 929,628</u>	<u>\$ 155,346</u>	<u>\$ (55,611)</u>	<u>\$ 1,029,363</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Improvements	\$ (241,856)	\$ (40,142)	\$ -	\$ (281,998)
Computer equipment and software	(75,471)	(7,309)	43,869	(38,911)
Furniture and equipment	(110,005)	(46,589)	11,742	(144,852)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(427,332)</u>	<u>(94,040)</u>	<u>55,611</u>	<u>(465,761)</u>
Depreciable capital assets, net	<u>\$ 502,296</u>	<u>\$ 61,306</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 563,602</u>
Capital Assets:				
Right-of-use lease asset (building)	\$ 8,179,984	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,179,984
Accumulated amortization	(611,588)	(229,345)	-	(840,933)
Right-of-use lease asset, net	<u>7,568,396</u>	<u>(229,345)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,339,051</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, net	<u>\$ 8,070,692</u>	<u>\$ (168,039)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,902,653</u>

Note 4 – Capital Assets (continued)

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, depreciation and amortization expense are allocated in the Statement of Activities by function as follows:

	<u>Depreciation</u>	<u>Amortization</u>
Instruction	\$ 29,255	\$ -
School administration	1,293	-
Food services	6,342	-
Facilities acquisition	18,169	-
Maintenance of plant	4,800	-
Operation of plant	34,181	229,345
Total Expense	<u>\$ 94,040</u>	<u>\$ 229,345</u>

Note 5 –Education Service and Support Provider

Academica Dade, LLC, an educational service and support provider, provides administrative services to the School including, but not limited to, facility design, staffing recommendations, human resource coordination, regulatory compliance, legal and corporate upkeep, maintenance of the books and records, bookkeeping, budgeting, financial reporting, and virtual education services. The agreement calls for a fee on a per student basis.

The agreement is with Mater Academy, Inc., through June 30, 2028, and unless terminated by the board will have an option to renew for an additional five year period. During the year ended June 30, 2024, the School incurred \$259,825 in fees related to this agreement.

Note 6 –Transactions With Other Divisions of Mater Academy, Inc.

Mater Academy, Inc., charged all of its affiliated schools an assessment for shared corporate costs and accreditation expenses. The School paid Mater Academy, Inc., approximately \$81,975 in connection with these charges during the year.

The School has made long-term, non-interest bearing advances to other divisions of Mater Academy, Inc. The following schedule provides a summary of changes in long-term receivables for the year ended June 30, 2024:

	<u>Balance 07/01/23</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Balance 06/30/24</u>
Mater Academy, Inc. - Corporate account	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000
Total Long Term Receivables	<u>\$ 1,000,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,000,000</u>

Note 7 – Interfund Balances

Interfund balances in governmental funds as of June 30, 2024 consist of the following:

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
To fund lease payments in capital outlay fund.	\$ (46,551)	\$ -	\$ 46,551
To fund federal expenditures for which revenues were not available	(93,858)	93,858	-
To reimburse general fund for prior year's expenditures	<u>755,872</u>	<u>(755,872)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Transfers, net	<u>\$ 615,463</u>	<u>\$ (662,014)</u>	<u>\$ 46,551</u>
Due to General Fund from Capital Projects Fund for Capital Outlay	\$ 19,787	\$ -	\$ (19,787)
Due to General Fund from Special Revenue Fund for Federal Funds	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Due from/(Due to) Funds	<u>\$ 19,787</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (19,787)</u>

Note 8 – Long-Term Liabilities

On October 20, 2020, Mater Academy, Inc., entered into a lease and security agreement with Mater Academy Foundation Inc., through June 30, 2056, with two options to renew of five additional years each. This agreement calls for rent at a rate of \$1,250 per full-time student equivalent with a minimum enrollment of 480 students per year. Annual payments under this agreement are adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) plus additional property costs including repairs, maintenance, and insurance. Mater Academy Foundation, Inc., is a not-for-profit supporting organization of Mater Academy, Inc. under Section 509(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Under the agreement, Mater Academy, Inc., must meet certain requirements and covenants including maintaining a “Fixed Charges Coverage Ratio” of not less than 1.10 to 1.00 and in addition, it grants a valid first lien on pledge revenues, which includes all funds related to the School. All of the School’s revenues (except for revenues restricted or assigned for specific programs) are pledged to the lease and security agreement for the outstanding principal and interest balance until maturity. The revenues pledged during the school year ended June 30, 2024, exceeded the required principal and interest for that period.

At the time of the initial measurement, there was no interest rate specified in the original lease agreement. The School has used an average effective interest for several borrowings during FY 2021. The average borrowing rate was 5% which was used to discount the annual lease payments to recognize the intangible right to use this asset and the lease liability.

During 2023, Mater Academy East Preparatory moved into the School's facility and the right of use asset and liability was allocated 82% for the School and 18% to Mater Academy East Preparatory. As a result, the School transferred to Mater East Preparatory \$1,711,699 of net right of use asset and \$1,764,007 of lease liability. For the 2024-2025 School year these two schools will consolidate (see Note 13).

Note 8 – Long-Term Liabilities (continued)

For 2024, interest expense totaled \$394,983 as it relates to this agreement. For 2024, variable and other payments of \$219,482 in connection with the lease agreement not previously included in the measurement of the lease liability were recorded in rent expense. Annual requirements to amortize this lease liability and related interest are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>	
2025	\$ 101,980	\$ 390,020	\$ 492,000	
2026	107,197	384,803	492,000	
2027	112,682	379,318	492,000	
2028	118,447	373,553	492,000	
2029	124,507	367,493	492,000	
2030-2034	724,857	1,735,143	2,460,000	(total for five-year period)
2035-2039	930,251	1,529,749	2,460,000	(total for five-year period)
2040-2044	1,193,846	1,266,154	2,460,000	(total for five-year period)
2045-2049	1,532,132	927,868	2,460,000	(total for five-year period)
2050-2054	1,966,275	493,725	2,460,000	(total for five-year period)
2055-2056	934,549	49,451	984,000	(total for two-year period)
	<u>\$ 7,846,723</u>	<u>\$ 7,897,277</u>	<u>\$15,744,000</u>	

Changes in long-term liabilities during the year are as follows:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>07/01/23</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>06/30/24</u>
Lease liability	<u>\$ 7,943,740</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (97,017)</u>	<u>\$ 7,846,723</u>
	<u>\$ 7,943,740</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (97,017)</u>	<u>\$ 7,846,723</u>

Note 9 – Contingencies, and Concentrations

Contingencies and Concentrations

The School receives substantially all of its funding from the District under the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP), which is based in part on a computation of the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students attending different instructional programs. The accuracy of FTE student data submitted by individual schools and used in the FEFP computations is subject to audit by the state and, if found to be in error, could result in refunds to the state or in decreases to future funding allocations. Additionally, the School receives various forms of federal, state and local funding which are subject to financial and compliance audits. It is the opinion of management that the amount of funding, if any, which may be remitted back to the state due to errors in the FTE student data or the amount of grant expenditures which may be disallowed by grantor agencies would not be material to the financial position of the School.

Note 9 – Contingencies, and Concentrations (continued)

Pursuant to the Charter School contract with the School District, the District withholds an administrative fee of 2% (for high performing schools) of the qualifying revenues of the School.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, administrative fees withheld by the School District totaled \$41,867.

Note 10 – Risk Management

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; thefts of, damage to and destruction of assets; administrative errors and omissions; personal injury; workers compensation and natural disasters for which the School carries commercial insurance. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. In addition, there were no reductions in insurance coverage from those in the prior year.

The School has entered into a strategic relationship with ADP TotalSource, Inc., a human resource management firm, typically known as “Professional Employer Organization” (PEO). Under a co-employment agreements, the PEO is the employer of record and is responsible for administering payroll, payroll taxes, provide employee benefits and assist with human resources and risk management. Accordingly, certain human resource related risks are transferred to the PEO. Nevertheless, the School may be subject to risks, including loss, penalties and fines related to employment practices, administrative error and omissions.

Note 11 – Defined Contribution Retirement Plan

The School’s personnel, which are leased through ADP TotalSource Group, Inc., are eligible to participate in a defined contribution 401(k) plan sponsored by the leasing company, covering employees who meet certain age and tenure requirements. Under the ADP TotalSource Retirement Savings Plan (the “Plan”), the School provides a match of 100% of the employee’s contribution up to 4% of the employee’s compensation. The School contributed to the Plan \$53,785 for the year ended June 30, 2024. The School does not exercise any control or fiduciary responsibility over the Plans’ assets, which are administered by Voya Financial.

Note 12 – Referendum

On November 6, 2018, and November 8, 2022, the voters of Miami-Dade approved and renewed, respectively, the Secure Our Future Referendum to raise/maintain teacher compensation and improve school safety and security. The Miami-Dade County School District shares a portion with charter schools. The District entered into a settlement agreement with the School for the 2018 Referendum funds not received for the 2019-2020; 2020-2021; 2021-2022 school years. The District agreed to pay these funds totaling \$1,222,738 (including interest) to the School in two installments in August 2024 and July 2025.

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Note 12 – Referendum (continued)

The following is the referendum funds allocated and expended as of and for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2024:

	<u>2022-2023</u>
Funds Allocation	\$ 520,543
Less: Actual Expenditures	(360,377)
Rollover revenues as of June 30, 2023	<u>\$ 160,166</u>
Less: 2022-2023 Funds re-allocated to charterholder based on actual expenditures	(39,592)
Less: Actual Expenditures	(120,574)
Restricted 2022-2023 Referendum as of June 30, 2024	<u>\$ -</u>
	<u>2023-2024</u>
Actual Allocation	\$ 797,742
Less: 2023-2024 Contingency	(39,887)
2023-2024 Referendum Funds, net of contingency	\$ 757,855
Less: Actual Expenditures	(388,030)
Restricted 2023-2024 Referendum as of June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 369,825</u>

The following are referendum funds recognized by the School during the School year ended June 30, 2024:

Total Referendum Revenue Recognized:-	
2022-2023 Referendum Funds	\$ 120,574
2023-2024 Referendum Funds, net of contingency	757,855
2018 Referendum Settlement Agreement, excluding interest of \$206,644	<u>1,016,094</u>
Total per Government-Wide Statement of Activities	<u>1,894,523</u>
Less: Due from Miami-Dade County Public Schools, referendum, long-term portion	(626,040)
Total per Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	<u>\$ 1,268,483</u>

Note 13 – Consolidation with Another Charter School

Effective for the 2024-2025 school year, the District approved a charter school consolidation under Section 1002.331, High Performing Charter Schools, of the School with Mater Academy East Preparatory (7037) consolidating both charter contracts into a single school and charter contract under the new school name of Mater Academy East Charter School (3100), serving students in kindergarten through eighth grade at 450/458 SW 4th Street, Miami, FL 33130 with a maximum enrollment of 800 students. New charter contract is for a 2-year term through June 30, 2026.

The following table shows the assets, liabilities and net position of Mater Academy East Preparatory (7037) that were transferred to the School effective July 1, 2024.

	Mater Academy East Preparatory 7037
	<u>Carrying Values</u>
Transferred Assets (Net):	
Cash	\$ 178,399
Investments	260,000
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	84,317
Due from other agencies	299,767
Capital Assets, net	<u>1,650,096</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 2,472,579</u>
Transferred Liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 20,192
Lease liability	1,722,451
Due to Mater Academy, Inc.	<u>425,000</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 2,167,643</u>
Net Position of transferred charter school operations	
Net investment in capital assets	\$ (72,355)
Unrestricted	<u>377,291</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 304,936</u>

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Mater Academy East Charter School
(A charter school under Mater Academy, Inc.)

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
For the year ended June 30, 2024

		General Fund	
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual
REVENUES			
State passed through local	\$ 4,966,253	\$ 4,855,049	\$ 4,879,156
Local sources	731,875	1,224,167	1,268,483
Charges and other revenue	424,405	400,167	426,620
Total Revenues	6,122,533	6,479,383	6,574,259
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
Instruction	2,651,360	2,606,037	2,586,684
Student support services	161,100	141,982	137,248
Instructional staff training	10,000	10,000	6,217
Board	139,563	102,044	101,444
General administration	43,185	42,500	41,867
School administration	660,958	652,552	613,289
Fiscal services	91,042	87,054	86,687
Central services	179,382	171,328	167,654
Pupil transportation	25,000	25,000	24,093
Operation of plant	941,773	936,735	925,615
Maintenance of plant	417,629	416,000	397,028
Administrative technology services	80,500	80,500	75,452
Total Current Expenditures	5,401,492	5,271,732	5,163,278
Excess (deficit) of Revenues Over Current Expenditures	721,041	1,207,651	1,410,981
Capital Outlay			
Other Capital Outlay	155,500	155,500	155,346
Total Capital Outlay and Debt Service Expenditures	155,500	155,500	155,346
Total Expenditures	5,556,992	5,427,232	5,318,624
Excess (deficit) of Revenues Over Expenditures	565,541	1,052,151	1,255,635
Other financing sources (uses):			
Transfers in (out)	123,053	378,235	615,463
Net change in fund balance	688,594	1,430,386	1,871,098
Fund Balance at beginning of year	450,091	450,091	450,091
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 1,138,685	\$ 1,880,477	\$ 2,321,189

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

An annual budget is adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting, consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Amendments to the budget can only be made with the approval of the Board of Directors.

Mater Academy East Charter School
(A charter school under Mater Academy, Inc.)

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
For the year ended June 30, 2024

	Special Revenue Fund		
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual
REVENUES			
Federal sources	\$ 1,716,142	\$ 1,923,512	\$ 1,972,745
Charges for services and other revenue	20,500	32,200	32,331
Total Revenues	1,736,642	1,955,712	2,005,076
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
Instruction	1,107,942	1,052,112	958,624
Instructional staff training	30,250	38,512	26,741
School administration	50,151	48,821	46,830
Food services	308,200	328,367	305,743
Operation of plant	25,120	23,854	22,887
Community services	26,000	26,000	18,504
Total Current Expenditures	1,547,663	1,517,666	1,379,329
Deficit of Revenues			
Over Current Expenditures	188,979	438,046	625,747
Capital Outlay	-	-	-
Total Capital Outlay and			
Debt Service Expenditures	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	1,547,663	1,517,666	1,379,329
Deficit of Revenues Over Expenditures	188,979	438,046	625,747
Other financing sources (uses)			
Transfers in (out)	(188,979)	(438,046)	(662,014)
Net change in fund balance	-	-	(36,267)
Fund Balance at beginning of year	152,596	152,596	152,596
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 152,596	\$ 152,596	\$ 116,329

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

An annual budget is adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting, consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Amendments to the budget can only be made with the approval of the Board of Directors.



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

Board of Directors of
Mater Academy East Charter School
Miami, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States., the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Mater Academy East Charter School (the "School"), as of, and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 12, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

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Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

We issued a separate management letter dated September 12, 2024, of pursuant to Chapter 10.850, Rules of the Auditor General.

Purpose of This Report

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



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida
September 12, 2024



MANAGEMENT LETTER

Board of Directors of
Mater Academy East Charter School
Miami, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Mater Academy East Charter School as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 and have issued our report thereon dated September 12, 2024.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.850, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in those reports and schedules, which are dated September 12, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.854(1)(e)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding audit report.

Official Title

Section 10.854(1)(e)5., Rules of the Auditor General, requires the name or official title of the entity and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education be disclosed in this management letter. The official title and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education of the entity is: Mater Academy East Charter School (W/L# 3100)

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Financial Condition and Management

Section 10.854(1)(e)2 and 10.855(11), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate whether or not Mater Academy East Charter School has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that Mater Academy East Charter School did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.854(1)(e)6.a and 10.855(12), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for Mater Academy East Charter School. It is management's responsibility to monitor Mater Academy East Charter School's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.854(1)(e)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendation to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have such recommendations.

Transparency

Sections 10.854(1)(e)7 and 10.855(13), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether Mater Academy East Charter School maintains on its Web site the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we determined that Mater Academy East Charter School maintained on its Web site the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes.

Additional Matters

Section 10.854(1)(e)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or fraud, waste, or abuse, that has occurred, or is likely to have occurred, that has an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, School Board of Miami-Dade County, Federal and other granting agencies, the Board of Directors, and applicable management and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "HLB Gravier, LLP".

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida
September 12, 2024