

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

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Board of Directors
The Academy of Charter Schools, Inc.
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Report on the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund, of The Academy of Charter Schools, Inc. (the "Academy") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Academy'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 The Academy of Charter Schools, Inc. as of June 30, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows, thereof 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) Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Academy of Charter Schools, Inc. and to meet our 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 the 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 the Academy's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS 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 judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 of 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 of the effectiveness of the Academy'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 judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Academy'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.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and required budgetary and pension information on pages 48-52 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 (GASB) 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.

John Luther & Associates, LLC

October 15, 2025

The Academy of Charter Schools, Inc.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025

As management of The Academy of Charter Schools, we offer readers of the School's basic financial statements this narrative and analysis of the financial activities of the School for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

Financial Highlights

- The liabilities of The Academy exceeded its assets at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$5,714,939 (net position). This is a significant positive change from the previous year's net position of \$10,708,425. The majority of this deficit is caused by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 68 (Note 7, pages 20-31), Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 75 (Note 8, pages 31-46), and Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 101 (Note 10, page 47). The positive change in net position of \$4,993,486 is due to the significantly increase in total assets. The school has consistently made a deliberate effort to prepare for upcoming facility projects, which has driven a year-over-year increase in our fund balance. In FY25, we successfully negotiated and secured a loan with Sunflower Bank, contributing to a substantial growth in our capital assets. Despite these investments, the school continues to uphold a conservative budgeting approach. Together, these factors have significantly strengthened The Academy's debt service structure.
- The General Fund balance increased \$3,542,419 from \$12,447,952 to \$15,990,371. Adding this to our General Fund balance was an intentional decision made at the Board level in order to place the school in the best position possible to meet the goals of the Futures Committee and their vision of long-term facilities projects over the next 1-3 years.
- The Proprietary Fund was created when the Academy used bond proceeds to construct its facilities and to add an addition and large remodel in 2025. In FY25, the Proprietary Fund net position decreased by \$654,474 and continues to run at a deficit, to the amount of (\$316,926). From the net position increase seen in FY21 as a result of our 2020 bond restructure as well as our 2024 addition and remodel loan, we now remain on a set, replicable payment schedule and therefore are achieving consistency in eliminating portions of this debt annually.

Overview of the Financial Statements

Management's discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the school's basic financial statements and provide an analytical overview of The Academy's financial activities. The basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) Government-wide financial statements, 2) Fund financial statements, and 3) Notes to the basic financial statements. This report also contains other required supplemental information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the financial activities in a manner similar to a private sector business.

The statement of net position presents information about all of The Academy's assets and liabilities. The difference between assets and liabilities is reported as net position. Over time, changes in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the school is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the net assets of the school changed during the current fiscal year. Changes in net assets are recorded in the statement of activities when the underlying event occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement even though the resulting cash flow may be recorded in a future period.

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements are designed to demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for special objectives. Fund financial statements for the Academy include two fund types - governmental and proprietary funds.

Governmental funds account for essentially the same information reported in the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide statements, the governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term financial resources and fund balances. Such information may be useful in evaluating financing requirements in the near term.

Since the governmental funds and the governmental activities report information using the same functions, it is useful to compare the information presented. Because the focus of each report differs, reconciliations are provided on the fund financial statements to assist the reader in comparing the near-term requirements with the long-term needs.

The Academy maintains one governmental fund, The Academy General Fund. The Academy adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. The budget is developed using estimates for enrollment and State and Federal Grant awards. The Academy Board then approves a modified budget and appropriation after the official enrollment count and grant award letters are finalized (typically, Dec/Jan of each fiscal year). A budgetary comparison schedule for the General Fund is included in the required supplemental information (page 45).

The School maintains one type of proprietary fund, The Academy Building Corporation. The Academy Building Corporation is considered a component unit of the charter school and is reported as business-type activities in the proprietary fund. This unit is presented with statements of net position, changes in net position and cash flows.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes to the basic financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements. The notes can be found on pages 9-47 of this report.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Net Position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of The Academy, liabilities exceeded assets by \$5,714,939.00 at the close of the most recent fiscal year. Again, the majority of this deficit is caused by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 68, GASB Statement 75. And GASB Statement 101. All Colorado Schools, The Academy included, are required to include its proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability and its OPEB liability as part of the net position of the governmental activities.

A detailed explanation of the Defined Benefit Pension Plan that impacted the financial statement as a result of GASB 68, GASB 75, and GASB 101 can be found in Note 7 (pages 20-28), Note 8 (pages 28-42), and Note 10 (page 43), respectively. Note 7 on page 23 shows The Academy's proportionate share of the Net Pension liability totaled \$26,849,700 for FY25. The Academy's proportion was 0.15561%, which is a decrease of 0.00772% from last year (Note 7, page 24).

The assets of the School are classified as current assets and capital assets. Cash and investments, receivables, internal balances and inventories are current assets. These assets are available to provide resources for the near-term operations of the school. The majority of the current assets are the result of unspent revenues received from the state. Capital assets are used in the operations of the School. These assets represent land, buildings, and equipment of the School.

Current and non-current liabilities are classified based on anticipated liquidation either in the near-term or in the future. Current liabilities include accounts payable, accrued salaries and benefits, deferred revenue, and current debt obligations. The liquidation of current liabilities is anticipated to be either from current available resources, current assets, or new resources that become available during fiscal year 2026.

Long-term liabilities such as long-term debt obligations will be liquidated from resources that will become available after fiscal year 2026. The noncurrent liabilities primarily relate to the debt incurred to fund the facilities of The Academy or are part of the school's portion of the state's pension liability.

Governmental Activities

	June 30, 2025		June 30, 2024	
Cash and Investments	\$	16,435,786	\$	13,226,917
Accounts Receivable	\$	813,511	\$	589,466
Capital Assets	\$	40,817,726	\$	25,816,169
Total Assets	\$	58,067,023	\$	39,632,552
Deferred Outflows - Related to OPEB Liability	\$	129,884	\$	153,170
Deferred Outflows - Related to Pensions	\$	4,675,868	\$	9,072,915
Deferred Outflows - Gain on Refunding of Bond	\$	931,290	\$	993,014
Current Liabilities	\$	2,959,326	\$	3,040,335
Other Liabilities	\$	38,111,000	\$	24,841,000
<i>OPEB Liability</i>	\$	476,389	\$	697,358
<i>Pension Liability</i>	\$	26,849,700	\$	28,880,908
Total Liabilities	\$	68,396,415	\$	57,549,601
Deferred Inflows - Related to OPEB Liability	\$	257,360	\$	216,873
Deferred Inflows - Related to Pensions	\$	865,229	\$	2,883,602
Net Position				
Investment in Capital Assets	\$	1,476,726	\$	(206,831)
Restricted for Emergencies (TABOR)	\$	694,963	\$	728,284
Unrestricted	\$	(7,886,628)	\$	(11,229,878)
	\$	(5,714,939)	\$	(10,708,425)

The Academy's Change in Net Position

For the Year Ending June 30, 2025

Governmental and Business-Type Activities

Program Revenue:	June 30, 2025		June 30, 2024	
Charges for Services	\$	1,957,276	\$	2,083,559
Operating Grants and Contributions	\$	3,051,035	\$	2,262,032
Capital Grants and Contributions	\$	711,906	\$	732,979
Total Program Revenues:	\$	5,720,217	\$	5,408,570
General Revenue:				
Per Pupil Revenue	\$	20,270,752	\$	19,040,238
Mill Levy Revenue	\$	3,684,628	\$	2,626,415
Investment Earnings	\$	827,179	\$	355,063
Other	\$	469,674	\$	59,897
Unrestricted State Aid	\$	233,356	\$	58,006
Total General Revenue:	\$	25,485,589	\$	22,139,619
Total Revenue:	\$	31,205,806	\$	27,548,189
Expenses:				
Current:				
Instruction	\$	12,610,436	\$	13,017,148
Supporting Services	\$	12,088,257	\$	10,382,773
Interest on Long-Term Debt	\$	1,513,627	\$	1,038,661
Total Expenses	\$	26,212,320	\$	24,438,582
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	\$	4,993,486	\$	3,109,607
Beginning Net Position	\$	(10,708,425)	\$	(13,818,032)
Ending Net Position	\$	(5,714,939)	\$	(10,708,425)

Financial Analysis of Government and Business-Type Activities Net Position

The impact of the implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 68, GASB 75, and GASB 101 remains evident. In 2018, the Colorado General Assembly passed Senate Bill (SB) 18-200 which made some major changes in an attempt to eliminate the "high probability the unfunded liability of the plan within the next thirty years." The bill modified the contribution rates, modified some of the retirement benefits, and required the state to contribute annually to PERA. It was projected the then proposed changes would decrease the unfunded liability carried by schools by approximately 50%. As long as the unfunded liability on the state retirement plan remains, it will continue to be the primary driver of net position. It is important to note that even though The Academy's proportionate share of the unfunded liability is included in our financial reports, it will never be an expense realized by The

Academy. If an employee leaves, the liability leaves as well. If an employee retires, the expense shifts to the state agency and does not remain with The Academy.

Financial Analysis of the School's Governmental Funds

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, 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.

Proprietary Fund. The Proprietary Fund was created when the Academy used bond proceeds to construct its facilities as well as add an addition and perform a major remodel in 2025. In FY25, the Proprietary Fund net position decreased by \$654,474 and continues to run at a deficit, to the amount of (\$316,926). From the net position increase seen in FY21 as a result of our 2020 bond restructure as well as our 2024 addition and remodel loan, we now remain on a set, replicable payment schedule and therefore are achieving consistency in eliminating portions of this debt annually.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The Academy approves a budget in June based on enrollment projections for the following school year. In October after enrollment stabilizes, adjustments are made to the budget. Actual expenditures in the general fund were under revenues by \$3,528,552 primarily as a result of increased state support and planned budget strategies ahead of upcoming facility investments. The General Fund balance increased \$3,542,419 from \$12,447,952 to \$15,990,371.

The Academy refinanced its bonds in early 2020 and moved into a long-term loan agreement with a bank that resulted in Total Debt Service Savings of \$9,406,008 and a Net Present Value Savings of \$4,296,348. Monthly principal and interest payments are due under the loan agreements with interest accruing at a rate of 3.9%.

In November of 2024 with the approval of the Board and Finance Committee, The Academy took on additional financing in support of the Facilities Master Plan. These additional funds were used for a major remodel of the current main campus as well as the completion of an 8,800sq. ft. addition which is expected to be finalized by May of 2026.

Over the next fiscal year, it is a key priority of the Board and Finance Committee to closely monitor the ongoing financial impact of securing additional funding in support of the Facilities Master Plan, including evaluating the potential to include an upgrade of the athletics field and related facilities as part of the overall project scope.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

The Academy's FY 2025-26 budget starts in a very strong position, thanks to previous years of tight financial oversight and careful investment. There are growing concerns about State and Federal level funding and sustainability. The Academy's improved position has been heavily reliant on continued and potentially unsustainable, increases in Federal and State Funding. While PPR and Charter School access to MLE funds saw another notable increase for FY25, the School's stability remains closely tied to these external sources.

Although The Academy has continued to utilize conservative strategies regarding enrollment and budgeting, we will be using this year to spend more funds and move forward our long term investment vision in support of our Facilities Master Plan.

We are proud of our recent work to raise staff compensation above our geographic district's scale, move forward on short- and long-term facility projects, and expand mental health and social emotional supports for students. However, continuing to make substantial new investments like these will be unlikely if funding levels and enrollment plateau or decline. The Academy is budgeting for and expecting to see a reduction in enrollment for FY2026. In such a fiscal environment, we will have to be as precise as possible with our budgeting practices with a priority on sustaining recent investments rather than looking to make new ones.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the school's finances for all those with an interest in the school. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information shall be addressed to:

Executive Director

The Academy of Charter Schools, Inc.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

June 30, 2025

	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	
	2025	2024
ASSETS		
Cash and Investments	\$ 16,435,786	\$ 13,226,917
Restricted Cash and Investments	14,277,615	1,286,511
Accounts Receivable	813,511	589,466
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	5,748,176	4,120,406
Capital Assets, Depreciated, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	20,791,935	20,409,252
TOTAL ASSETS	58,067,023	39,632,552
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Related to OPEB Liability	129,884	153,170
Related to Pensions	4,675,868	9,072,915
Gain on Refunding of Bond	931,290	993,014
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	5,737,042	10,219,099
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	83,349	169,669
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	1,130,335	1,134,816
Unearned Revenue	45,242	63,946
Accrued Interest Payable	2,355	2,355
Compensated Absences	468,045	487,549
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Due Within One Year	1,230,000	1,182,000
Due in More Than One Year	38,111,000	24,841,000
OPEB Liability	476,389	697,358
Pension Liability	26,849,700	28,880,908
TOTAL LIABILITIES	68,396,415	57,459,601
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Related to OPEB Liability	257,360	216,873
Related to Pensions	865,229	2,883,602
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,122,589	3,100,475
NET POSITION		
Investment in Capital Assets	1,476,726	(206,831)
Restricted for Emergencies	694,963	728,284
Unrestricted	(7,886,628)	(11,229,878)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ (5,714,939)	\$ (10,708,425)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended June 30, 2025

FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	Expenses	PROGRAM REVENUES			Net Expense (Revenue) and Changes in Net Position	
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	
					2025	2024
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT						
Governmental Activities						
Instruction	\$ 13,312,225	\$ 794,363	\$ 3,051,035	\$ -	\$ (9,466,827)	\$ (9,596,774)
Supporting Services	11,386,468	1,162,913	-	711,906	(9,511,649)	(8,394,577)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	1,513,627	-	-	-	(1,513,627)	(1,038,661)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 26,212,320</u>	<u>\$ 1,957,276</u>	<u>\$ 3,051,035</u>	<u>\$ 711,906</u>	<u>(20,492,103)</u>	<u>(19,030,012)</u>
GENERAL REVENUES						
Per Pupil Revenue					20,270,752	19,040,238
Mill Levy Revenue					3,684,628	2,626,415
Investment Earnings					827,179	355,063
Other					469,674	59,897
Unrestricted State Aid					233,356	58,006
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES					<u>25,485,589</u>	<u>22,139,619</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION					4,993,486	3,109,607
NET POSITION, Beginning, Restated					<u>(10,708,425)</u>	<u>(13,818,032)</u>
NET POSITION, Ending					<u>\$ (5,714,939)</u>	<u>\$ (10,708,425)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

BALANCE SHEET
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
June 30, 2025

	GENERAL FUND	
	2025	2024
ASSETS		
Cash and Investments	\$ 16,435,786	\$ 13,226,917
Accounts Receivable	813,511	589,466
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 17,249,297	\$ 13,816,383
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$ 83,349	\$ 169,669
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	1,130,335	1,134,816
Unearned Revenue	45,242	63,946
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,258,926	1,368,431
FUND BALANCES		
Restricted for Emergencies	694,963	728,284
Unassigned	15,295,408	11,719,668
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	15,990,371	12,447,952
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the funds.	2,722,587	1,755,228
Long-term liabilities and related assets related to pensions and OPEB are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported in the funds. This liability includes net pension liability (\$26,849,700), OPEB liability (\$476,389), deferred outflows related to pensions and OPEB \$4,805,752, deferred inflows related to pensions and OPEB (\$1,122,589), and compensated absences (\$468,045).	(24,110,971)	(23,940,205)
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the lease costs to governmental funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in the governmental activities in the statement of net position.	(316,926)	(971,400)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ (5,714,939)	\$ (10,708,425)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
Year Ended June 30, 2025

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
REVENUES		
Local Sources	\$ 26,666,587	\$ 23,967,656
State and Federal Sources	<u>3,920,137</u>	<u>3,515,003</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>30,586,724</u>	<u>27,482,659</u>
EXPENDITURES		
Instruction	13,056,372	12,354,583
Supporting Services	<u>14,001,800</u>	<u>12,474,897</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>27,058,172</u>	<u>24,829,480</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>3,528,552</u>	<u>2,653,179</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		
Transfers In	<u>13,867</u>	<u>4,498</u>
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>13,867</u>	<u>4,498</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	3,542,419	2,657,677
FUND BALANCES, Beginning	<u>12,447,952</u>	<u>9,790,275</u>
FUND BALANCES, Ending	<u><u>\$ 15,990,371</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 12,447,952</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
Year Ended June 30, 2025

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

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 3,542,419
Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities those costs are shown in the statement of net position and allocated over their estimated useful lives as annual depreciation expense in the statement of activities. This is the amount of capital outlay, \$1,143,358, that exceeded depreciation expense, (\$175,999) for the year.	967,359
Repayment of long-term is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but repayment of principal reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. This is the amount of the change in compensated absences for the year.	19,504
The Internal Service fund is used by management to charge the cost of lease payments to the governmental funds. The net revenue of the internal service fund is reported with the governmental activities.	654,474
Deferred Charges related to pensions and OPEB are not recognized in the governmental funds. However, in the government-wide statements these amounts are capitalized and amortized.	<u>(190,270)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 4,993,486</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES
 June 30, 2025

	<u>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</u>	
	<u>Internal Service Fund</u>	
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and Investments	\$ -	\$ -
Restricted Cash and Investments	14,277,615	1,286,511
Total Current Assets	<u>14,277,615</u>	<u>1,286,511</u>
Long-term Assets		
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	23,817,524	22,774,430
Gain on Refunding of Debt	931,290	993,014
Total Long-term Assets	<u>24,748,814</u>	<u>23,767,444</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>39,026,429</u>	<u>25,053,955</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Accrued Interest Payable	2,355	2,355
Bond Payable - Current Portion	1,230,000	1,182,000
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,232,355</u>	<u>1,184,355</u>
Long-Term Liabilities		
Bond Payable	38,111,000	24,841,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>39,343,355</u>	<u>26,025,355</u>
NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	<u>(316,926)</u>	<u>(971,400)</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ (316,926)</u>	<u>\$ (971,400)</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES
AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES
Year Ended June 30, 2025

	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	
	Internal Service Fund	
	2025	2024
OPERATING REVENUES		
Rent	\$ 2,776,009	\$ 2,176,216
Investment Income	385,726	7,524
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	<u>3,161,735</u>	<u>2,183,740</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Purchased Services	333,367	250
Depreciation	584,676	584,676
Amortization	61,724	61,724
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>979,767</u>	<u>646,650</u>
OPERATING INCOME	<u>2,181,968</u>	<u>1,537,090</u>
NON-OPERATING EXPENSES		
Interest Expense	(1,513,627)	(1,038,661)
Transfer to General Fund	(13,867)	(4,498)
TOTAL NON-OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>(1,527,494)</u>	<u>(1,043,159)</u>
NET INCOME (LOSS)	654,474	493,931
NET POSITION, Beginning	<u>(971,400)</u>	<u>(1,465,331)</u>
NET POSITION, Ending	<u>\$ (316,926)</u>	<u>\$ (971,400)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES
 Year Ended June 30, 2025
 Increase (Decrease) in Cash

	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	
	Internal Service Fund	
	2025	2024
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash Received from Rental Operations	\$ 2,776,009	\$ 2,176,216
Cash Paid to Suppliers	(333,367)	(250)
Investment Income	385,726	7,524
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>2,828,368</u>	<u>2,183,490</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of Property and Equipment	(1,627,770)	-
Interest Expense	(1,513,627)	(1,038,661)
Loan Proceeds	14,500,000	-
Principal Payments on Loan	(1,182,000)	(1,137,000)
Net Cash Used by Financing Activities	<u>10,176,603</u>	<u>(2,175,661)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Transfer to General Fund	<u>(13,867)</u>	<u>(4,498)</u>
NET DECREASE IN CASH	12,991,104	3,331
CASH, Beginning	<u>1,286,511</u>	<u>1,283,180</u>
CASH, Ending	<u>\$ 14,277,615</u>	<u>\$ 1,286,511</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating Income	<u>\$ 2,181,968</u>	<u>\$ 1,537,090</u>
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities		
Depreciation Expense	584,676	584,676
Amortization Expense	61,724	61,724
Total Adjustments	<u>646,400</u>	<u>646,400</u>
Net Cash (Used) by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 2,828,368</u>	<u>\$ 2,183,490</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Academy of Charter Schools, Inc. (the “Academy”) was formed in 1994 pursuant to the Colorado Charter Schools Act to form and operate a charter school. The accounting policies of the Academy conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units. Following is a summary of the more significant policies.

Reporting Entity

The financial reporting entity consists of the Academy and organizations for which the Academy is financially accountable. All funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments and offices that are not legally separate are part of the Academy. In addition, any legally separate organizations for which the Academy is financially accountable are considered part of the reporting entity. Financial accountability exists if the Academy appoints a voting majority of the organization’s governing board and is able to impose its will on the organization, or if the organization provides benefits to, or imposes financial burdens on the Academy.

Based upon the application of these criteria, the following organization is included in the Academy’s reporting entity.

The Academy of Charter Schools Building Corporation

The purpose of the Corporation is to provide a mechanism to issue and pay debt on behalf of the Academy. The Corporation is considered to be part of the Academy for financial reporting purposes because its resources are entirely for the direct benefit of the Academy and is blended into the Academy’s financial statements as an internal service fund. As part of its ongoing responsibilities, the Corporation provides the Academy with monthly financial statements. Separate financial statements are not available.

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the Academy. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by intergovernmental revenues, are reported in a single column.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of the given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to students or others who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Major individual governmental funds are reported in separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the 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. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period, not to exceed 60 days. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

Intergovernmental revenues, grants, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Academy.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

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June 30, 2025

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation
(Continued)

Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Academy's policy to use restricted resources first and the unrestricted resources as they are needed.

The Academy reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund – This fund is the general operating fund of the Academy. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Additionally, the Academy reports the following fund types:

The *Internal Service Fund* is used to account for activity of the Building Corporation.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position and balance sheets will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows or resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflow of resources, represents a consumption of net position and fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position and balance sheets will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows or resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflow of resources, represents an acquisition of net position and fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance/Net Position

Investments – Investments are recorded at fair value.

Receivables – Receivables are reported at their gross value, and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectable.

Capital Assets – Capital assets, which include property and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Academy as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated acquisition value at the date of donation.

Depreciation of exhaustible capital assets is charged as an expense against operations, and accumulated depreciation is reported on the statement of net position in the government-wide financial statements. Depreciation has been provided over the following estimated useful lives of the capital assets using the straight-line method: buildings 20 - 50 years, furniture and equipment 5 to 25 years.

Long Term Obligations - In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund type in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Compensated Absences – Eligible employees earn vacation time up to 160 hours per year depending on their length of service to the Academy. Employees may carry over up to 80 hours to the next contract year. Any unused vacation time in excess of 80 hours will be paid to the employee in August of each year.

Net Position– The government-wide and business-type fund financial statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is categorized as investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

NOTE 1: **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance/Net Position (Continued)

- Investment in Capital Assets is intended to reflect the portion of net position which are associated with non-liquid, capital assets less outstanding capital asset related debt. The net related debt is the debt less the outstanding liquid assets and any associated unamortized cost.
- Restricted Net Position are liquid assets, which have third party limitations on their use.
- Unrestricted Net Position represents assets that do not have any third party limitation on their use. While Academy management may have categorized and segmented portion for various purposes, the Academy Board has the unrestricted right to revisit or alter these managerial decisions.

Fund Balance Classification – The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the Academy is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent. The classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements are as follows:

- Nonspendable – This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in a spendable form (such as inventories and prepaid amounts) or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The Academy does not report any fund balances as nonspendable as of June 30, 2025.
- Restricted – This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through a debt covenant), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The Academy has classified Emergency Reserves as being restricted because their use is restricted by State Statute for declared emergencies.
- Committed – This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Board of Directors. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Directors removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) that was employed when the funds were initially committed. The Academy does not report any committed fund balances as of June 30, 2025.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance/Net Position (Continued)

This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements. The Academy did not have any committed resources as of June 30, 2025.

- Unassigned – This classification includes the residual fund balance for the General Fund. The Unassigned classification also includes negative residual fund balance of any other governmental fund that cannot be eliminated by offsetting of Assigned fund balance amounts.

The Academy would typically use Restricted fund balances first, followed by Committed resources, and then Assigned resources, as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend Unassigned fund balances.

Risk Management

The Academy is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Academy carries commercial insurance for these risks of loss. Settled claims have not exceeded any coverages in the last three years.

Comparative Data

Comparative total data for the prior year has been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the Academy's financial position and operations. However, complete comparative data in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles has not been presented since its inclusion would make the financial statements unduly complex and difficult to read.

Data in these columns do not present financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

NOTE 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

A budget is adopted for the General Fund on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Management submits to the Board of Directors a proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget is adopted by the Board of Directors prior to June 30. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the fund level. Revisions must be approved by the Board of Directors. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. All appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

NOTE 3: CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and Investments at June 30, 2025 consisted of the following:

Deposits	\$ 13,028,820
Investments	<u>17,684,581</u>
Total	<u>\$ 30,713,401</u>

Deposits

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by state regulations. At June 30, 2025, State regulatory commissioners have indicated that all financial institutions holding deposits for the Academy are eligible public depositories. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized by eligible collateral as determined by the PDPA. PDPA allows the financial institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds held.

The pool is to be maintained by another institution, or held in trust for all the uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be at least equal to 102% of the uninsured deposits. The Academy has no policy regarding custodial credit risk for deposits.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

NOTE 3: CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Deposits (Continued)

At June 30, 2025, the Academy had deposits with financial institutions with a carrying amount of \$13,028,820. The bank balances with the financial institutions were \$13,560,233. Of these balances, \$250,000 were covered by federal depository insurance and \$13,310,233 were covered by collateral held by authorized escrow agents in the financial institutions name (PDPA).

Investments

Interest Rate Risk

The Academy does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk

Colorado statutes specify in which instruments the units of local government may invest which includes:

- Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. government agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities
- Local government investment pools
- Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities
- Certain money market funds
- Guaranteed investment contracts

The above investments are authorized for all funds and fund types used by Colorado municipalities.

Local Government Investment Pool

The Academy had invested \$3,406,966 in the Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust (CSAFE) an investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado pursuant to Title 24, Article 75, Part 7 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to pool surplus funds for investment purposes. The State Securities Commissioner administers and enforces the requirements of creating and operating the Pools. CSAFE reports its underlying investments at amortized cost and is considered a qualifying external investment pool under GASB Statement 79. CSAFE operates similar to money market funds where each share is equal in value to \$1.00. The fair value of the position in the pools is the same as the value of the pooled shares.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

NOTE 3: **CASH AND INVESTMENTS** (Continued)

Investments (Continued)

Local Government Investment Pool (Continued)

CSAFE is rated AAAM by Standard and Poor's. The designated custodial bank provides safekeeping and depository services in connection with the direct investment and withdrawal functions. Substantially all securities are owned by the pools and held by the Federal Reserve Bank in the account maintained for the custodial bank. The custodian's internal records identify the investments owned by the pools. Investments of the pools comply with state statutes, consisting of U.S. Treasury bills, notes and note strips, repurchase agreements, U.S. Instrumentalities, Commercial Paper, Bank Deposits and Money Market Funds. CSAFE does not have any limitations or restrictions on participant withdrawals.

Fair Value

The Academy categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant observable inputs.

At June 30, 2025, the Academy held investments in government agency mutual funds in the amount of \$14,277,615 with maturity dates of less than one year and rated AAAM by Standard and Poor's. Given the low risk of this type of investment, the Academy has not established a policy limiting the amount of investments in this type of security and deems it unnecessary at this time. These investments are valued with Level 1 inputs.

Restricted Cash

Cash in the amount of \$14,277,615 is restricted for debt service in the Internal Service Fund.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

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June 30, 2025

NOTE 4: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital Assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2025 is summarized below.

	Balance <u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>June 30, 2025</u>
Governmental Activities				
Capital Assets, Not Depreciated				
Land	\$ 4,120,406	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,120,406
Construction in Process	-	1,627,770	-	1,627,770
Total Capital Assets, Not Depreciated	<u>4,120,406</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,748,176</u>
Capital Assets, Depreciated				
Buildings and Improvements	29,424,125	495,803	-	29,919,928
Equipment	<u>1,206,266</u>	<u>647,555</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,853,821</u>
Total Capital Assets, Depreciated	<u>30,630,391</u>	<u>1,143,358</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,773,749</u>
Accumulated Depreciation				
Building	9,702,919	664,772	-	10,367,691
Equipment	<u>518,220</u>	<u>95,903</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>614,123</u>
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>10,221,139</u>	<u>760,675</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,981,814</u>
Net Capital Assets, Depreciated	<u>20,409,252</u>	<u>382,683</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,791,935</u>
Net Capital Assets	<u>\$ 24,529,658</u>	<u>\$ 2,010,453</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 26,540,111</u>

Depreciation has been charged to the Supporting Services program of the Academy.

NOTE 5: ACCRUED SALARIES AND BENEFITS

Salaries and retirement benefits of certain contractually employed personnel are paid over a twelve-month period from August to July but are earned during a school year of nine months. The salaries and benefits earned, but unpaid, as of June 30, 2025, were \$1,130,335 in the General Fund.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2025

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM DEBT

Following is a summary of the Academy's long-term debt transactions for the year ended June 30, 2025:

	Balance			Balance	Due In
	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>June 30, 2025</u>	<u>One Year</u>
2020 Bonds Payable	\$ 26,023,000	\$ -	\$ 1,182,000	\$ 24,841,000	\$ 1,230,000
2025 Notes Payable	-	14,500,000	-	14,500,000	-
Compensated Absences,	<u>487,549</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,504</u>	<u>468,045</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 26,510,549</u>	<u>\$14,500,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,201,504</u>	<u>\$ 39,809,045</u>	<u>\$1,230,000</u>

2020 Bonds Payable

In May 2020, the Colorado Educational and Facilities Authority (CECFA) issued \$20,660,000 Charter School Revenue Bonds, Series 2020A and \$8,795,000 in Charter School Revenue Bonds, Series 2020B. Proceeds from the bonds were used to refund bonds from 2004, 2008, and 2010 that allowed the Academy to purchase land and construct an additional educational facility. The Academy is required to make lease payments to the Building Corporation for the use of the building. The Building Corporation is required to make equal lease payments to the Trustee, for payment of the bonds. Interest accrues at a rate of 3.9% per year. Principal and Interest payments are due monthly on the first day of each month. Series 2020A Bonds maturing on or after June 15, 2040. Series 2020B Bonds maturing on or after June 30, 2041 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption beginning June 1, 2020. The lease matures in November, 2040.

2024 Notes Payable

In November 2024, the Colorado Educational and Facilities Authority (CECFA) issued \$14,500,000 Charter School Revenue Notes. The Academy is required to make lease payments to the Building Corporation for the use of the building. The Building Corporation is required to make equal lease payments to the Trustee, for payment of the note. Interest accrues at a rate of 6.12% per year. Principal and Interest payments are due monthly on the first day of each month and mature on December 15, 2031.

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June 30, 2025

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

Future debt service requirements are as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2026	\$ 1,230,000	\$ 1,846,262	\$ 3,076,262
2027	1,425,000	1,795,554	3,220,554
2028	1,631,000	1,731,520	3,362,520
2029	1,707,000	1,657,004	3,364,004
2030	1,781,000	1,581,421	3,362,421
2031-2035	21,489,000	4,014,677	25,503,677
2036-2040	9,718,000	1,051,008	10,769,008
2041	<u>360,000</u>	<u>5,850</u>	<u>365,850</u>
Total	<u>\$ 39,341,000</u>	<u>\$ 13,683,296</u>	<u>\$ 53,024,296</u>

NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Pensions. The School participates in the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employees’ Retirement Association of Colorado (PERA). The net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the FNP of the SCHDTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan description. Eligible employees of the School are provided with pensions through the SCHDTF—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by PERA. Plan benefits are specified in Title 24, Article 51 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), administrative rules set forth at 8 C.C.R. 1502-1, and applicable provisions of the federal Internal Revenue Code. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR) that can be obtained at www.copera.org/forms-resources/financial-reports-and-studies.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

General Information about the Pension Plan (Continued)

Benefits provided as of December 31, 2024. PERA provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined by the amount of service credit earned and/or purchased, highest average salary, the benefit structure(s) under which the member retires, the benefit option selected at retirement, and age at retirement. Retirement eligibility is specified in tables set forth at C.R.S. § 24-51-602, 604, 1713, and 1714.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the PERA benefit structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5% and then multiplied by years of service credit.
- The value of the retiring employee's member contribution account plus a 100% match on eligible amounts as of the retirement date. This amount is then annuitized into a monthly benefit based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the Denver Public Schools (DPS) benefit structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5% and then multiplied by years of service credit.
- \$15 times the first 10 years of service credit plus \$20 times the service credit over 10 years plus a monthly amount equal to the annuitized member contribution account balance based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

In all cases the service retirement benefit is limited to 100% of highest average salary and cannot exceed the maximum benefit allowed by federal Internal Revenue Code.

Members may elect to withdraw their member contribution accounts upon termination of employment with all PERA employers; waiving rights to any lifetime retirement benefits earned. If eligible, the member may receive a match of either 50% or 100% on eligible amounts depending on when contributions were remitted to PERA, the date employment was terminated, whether 5 years of service credit has been obtained and the benefit structure under which contributions were made.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2025

NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

General Information about the Pension Plan (Continued)

Upon meeting certain criteria, benefit recipients who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit generally receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments, referred to as annual increases in the C.R.S. Subject to the automatic adjustment provision (AAP) under C.R.S. § 24-51-413, eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership before January 1, 2007, and all eligible benefit recipients of the DPS benefit structure will receive the maximum annual increase (AI) or AI cap of 1.00% unless adjusted by the AAP. Eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership on or after January 1, 2007, will receive the lesser of an annual increase of the 1.00% AI cap or the average increase of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for the prior calendar year, not to exceed a determined increase that would exhaust 10% of PERA's Annual Increase Reserve (AIR) for the SCHDTF. The AAP may raise or lower the aforementioned AI cap by up to 0.25% based on the parameters specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-413.

Disability benefits are available for eligible employees once they reach five years of earned service credit and are determined to meet the definition of disability. The disability benefit amount is based on the lifetime retirement benefit formula(s) shown above considering a minimum 20 years of service credit, if deemed disabled.

Survivor benefits are determined by several factors, which include the amount of earned service credit, highest average salary of the deceased, the benefit structure(s) under which service credit was obtained, and the qualified survivor(s) who will receive the benefits.

Contributions provisions as of the Academy: Eligible employees of, the Academy and the State are required to contribute to the SCHDTF at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements for the SCHDTF are established under C.R.S. § 24-51-401, *et seq.* and § 24-51-413.

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General Information about the Pension Plan (Continued)

Eligible employees are required to contribute 11.00% of their PERA-includable salary during the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Employer contribution requirements are summarized in the following table:

	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025
Employer contribution rate	11.40%
Amount of employer contribution apportioned to the Health Care Trust Fund as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-208(1)(f)	(1.02%)
Amount apportioned to the SCHDTF	10.38%
Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	4.50%
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	5.50%
Total employer contribution rate to the SCHDTF	20.38%

*Contribution rates for the SCHDTF are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42).

Employer contributions are recognized by the SCHDTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the Academy is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the SCHDTF. Employer contributions recognized by the SCHDTF from School were \$2,556,777 for the year ended June 30, 2025.

For purposes of GASB 68 paragraph 15, a circumstance exists in which a nonemployer contributing entity is legally responsible for making contributions to the SCHDTF and is considered to meet the definition of a special funding situation.

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General Information about the Pension Plan (Continued)

As specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-414, the State is required to contribute a \$225 million direct distribution each year to PERA starting on July 1, 2018. For 2024, a portion of the direct distribution payment is allocated to the SCHDTF based on the proportionate amount of annual payroll of the SCHDTF to the total annual payroll of the SCHDTF, State Division Trust Fund, Judicial Division Trust Fund, and Denver Public Schools Division Trust Fund.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability for the SCHDTF was measured as of December 31, 2024, and the total pension liability (TPL) used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2023. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the TPL to December 31, 2024. The Academy's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Academy's contributions to the SCHDTF for the calendar year 2024 relative to the total contributions of participating employers and the State as a nonemployer contributing entity.

At June 30, 2025, the Academy reported a liability of \$26,849,700 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability that reflected an increase for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. The amount recognized by the Academy as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with Academy were as follows:

The Academy's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$26,849,700
The State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a nonemployer contributing entity associated with the Academy.	2,212,786
Total	\$29,062,486

At December 31, 2024, the Academy's proportion was 0.15561%, which was a decrease of 0.00772% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2023. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the Academy recognized pension expense of \$3,137,599 and revenue of \$233,356 for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity.

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

At June 30, 2025, the Academy reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$1,520,458	N/A
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	201,295	N/A
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	506,579	N/A
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	1,171,459	\$865,229
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	1,276,077	N/A
Total	\$4,675,868	\$865,229

\$1,276,077 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2026. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30,	
2026	\$1,261,344
2027	\$891,749
2028	\$381,469
2029	-
2030	-
Thereafter	-

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Actuarial assumptions. The December 31, 2023, actuarial valuation used the following actuarial cost method and key actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.30%
Real wage growth	0.70%
Wage inflation	3.00%
Salary increases, including wage inflation:	3.40%-11.00%
Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07 and DPS benefit structure (compounded annually)	1.00%
PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06 ¹	Financed by the AIR

¹ Post-retirement benefit increases are provided by the AIR, accounted separately within each Division Trust Fund, and subject to moneys being available; therefore, liabilities related to increases for members of these benefit tiers can never exceed available assets.

All mortality assumptions are developed on a benefit-weighted basis and apply generational mortality. Note that in all categories, displayed as follows, the mortality tables are generationally projected using scale MP-2019.

		Mortality Table	Adjustments, as Applicable
Pre-Retirement		PubT-2010 Employee	N/A
Post-Retirement Disabled	(Retiree), Non-PubT-2010 Retiree	Healthy	Males: 112% of the rates prior to age 80/ 94% of the rates age 80 and older Females: 83% of the rates prior to age 80/ 106% of the rates age 80 and older
Post-Retirement Disabled	(Beneficiary), Non-Pub-2010 Survivor	Contingent	Males: 97% of the rates for all ages Females: 105% of the rates for all ages
Disabled	PubNS-2010 Retiree	Disabled	99% of the rates for all ages

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The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2023, valuation were based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019. Revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by the PERA Board on November 20, 2020.

Based on the 2024 experience analysis, dated January 3, 2025, for the period January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2023, revised actuarial assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on January 17, 2025, and were effective as of December 31, 2024. The following assumptions were reflected in the roll forward calculation of the total pension liability from December 31, 2023, to December 31, 2024.

Salary increases, including wage inflation: 4.00%-13.40%

Salary scale assumptions were altered to better reflect actual experience.

Rates of termination/withdrawal, retirement, and disability were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.

The estimated administrative expense as a percentage of covered payroll was increased from 0.40% to 0.45%.

The adjustments for credibility applied to the Pub-2010 mortality tables for active and retired lives, including beneficiaries, were updated based on the experience. All mortality assumptions are developed on a benefit-weighted basis.

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Note that in all categories, displayed as follows, the mortality tables are generationally projected using the 2024 adjusted MP-2021 projection scale.

	Mortality Table	Adjustments, as Applicable
Pre-Retirement	PubT-2010 Employee	N/A
Post-Retirement (Retiree), Non-Disabled	PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree	Males: 106% of the rates for all ages Females: 86% of the rates prior to age 85/ 115% of the rates age 85 and older
Post-Retirement (Beneficiary), Non-Disabled	Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor	Males: 92% of the rates for all ages Females: 100% of the rates for all ages
Disabled	PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree	95% of the rates for all ages

The long-term expected return on plan assets is monitored on an ongoing basis and reviewed as part of periodic experience studies prepared every four years, and asset/liability studies, performed every three to five years for PERA. The most recent analyses were outlined in the 2024 Experience Study report dated January 3, 2025.

Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages and then adding expected inflation.

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25% long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the November 15, 2019, meeting, and again at the Board's September 20, 2024, meeting.

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As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
Global Equity	51.00%	5.00%
Fixed Income	23.00%	2.60%
Private Equity	10.00%	7.60%
Real Estate	10.00%	4.10%
Alternatives	6.00%	5.20%
Total	100.00%	

Note: In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected nominal rate of return assumption of 7.25%.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the TPL was 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00%.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the member contribution rates in effect for each year, including the scheduled increases in SB 18-200 and required adjustments resulting from the 2018 and 2020 AAP assessments. Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law for each year, including the scheduled increase in SB 18-200 and required adjustments resulting from the 2018 and 2020 AAP assessments. Employer contributions also include current and estimated future AED and SAED, until the actuarial value funding ratio reaches 103%, at which point the AED and SAED will each drop 0.50% every year until they are zero.

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- Additionally, estimated employer contributions reflect reductions for the funding of the AIR and retiree health care benefits. For future plan members, employer contributions were further reduced by the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members not financed by their member contributions.
- As specified in law, the State, as a nonemployer contributing entity, will provide an annual direct distribution of \$225 million commencing July 1, 2018, that is proportioned between the State, School, Judicial, and DPS Division Trust Funds based upon the covered payroll of each Division. The annual direct distribution ceases when all Division Trust Funds are fully funded.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- The AIR balance was excluded from the initial FNP, as, per statute, AIR amounts cannot be used to pay benefits until transferred to either the retirement benefits reserve or the survivor benefits reserve, as appropriate. AIR transfers to the FNP and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the SCHDTF's FNP was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25% on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the TPL. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25%. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date.

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Sensitivity of the Academy's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (6.25%) or 1-percentage point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net pension	\$36,401,971	\$26,849,700	\$18,848,338

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the SCHDTF's FNP is available in PERA's ACFR which can be obtained at www.copera.org/forms-resources/financial-reports-and-studies.

NOTE 8: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

OPEB. The Academy participates in the Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB fund administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado ("PERA"). The net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the FNP of the HCTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefits paid on behalf of health care participants are recognized when due and/or payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

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General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan description. Eligible employees of the Academy are provided with OPEB through the HCTF—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by PERA. The HCTF is established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), as amended, and sets forth a framework that grants authority to the PERA Board to contract, self-insure, and authorize disbursements necessary in order to carry out the purposes of the PERACare program, including the administration of the premium subsidies. Colorado State law provisions may be amended by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR) that can be obtained at www.copera.org/forms-resources/financial-reports-and-studies.

Benefits provided. The HCTF provides a health care premium subsidy to eligible participating PERA benefit recipients and retirees who choose to enroll in one of the PERA health care plans, however, the subsidy is not available if only enrolled in the dental and/or vision plan(s). The health care premium subsidy is based upon the benefit structure under which the member retires and the member's years of service credit. For members who retire having service credit with employers in the Denver Public School's (DPS) Division and one or more of the other four Divisions (State, School, Local Government and Judicial), the premium subsidy is allocated between the HCTF and the Denver Public Schools Health Care Trust Fund (DPS HCTF). The basis for the amount of the premium subsidy funded by each trust fund is the percentage of the member contribution account balance from each division as it relates to the total member contribution account balance from which the retirement benefit is paid.

C.R.S. § 24-51-1202 *et seq.* specifies the eligibility for enrollment in the health care plans offered by PERA and the amount of the premium subsidy. The law governing a benefit recipient's eligibility for the subsidy and the amount of the subsidy differs slightly depending under which benefit structure the benefits are calculated. All benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure and all retirees under the DPS benefit structure are eligible for a premium subsidy, if enrolled in a health care plan under PERACare. Upon the death of a DPS benefit structure retiree, no further subsidy is paid.

Enrollment in the PERACare health benefits program is voluntary and is available to benefit recipients and their eligible dependents, certain surviving spouses, and divorced spouses and guardians, among others. Eligible benefit recipients may enroll into the program upon retirement, upon the occurrence of certain life events, or on an annual basis during an open enrollment period.

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General Information about the OPEB Plan (Continued)

PERA Benefit Structure

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for benefit recipients who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum service-based subsidy, in each case, is for benefit recipients with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5% reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The benefit recipient pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

For benefit recipients who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, C.R.S. § 24-51-1206(4) provides an additional subsidy. According to the statute, PERA cannot charge premiums to benefit recipients without Medicare Part A that are greater than premiums charged to benefit recipients with Part A for the same plan option, coverage level, and service credit. Currently, for each individual PERACare enrollee, the total premium for Medicare coverage is determined assuming plan participants have both Medicare Part A and Part B and the difference in premium cost is paid by the HCTF or the DPS HCTF on behalf of benefit recipients not covered by Medicare Part A.

DPS Benefit Structure

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for retirees who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for retirees who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum service-based subsidy, in each case, is for retirees with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5% reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The retiree pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

For retirees who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, the HCTF or the DPS HCTF pays an alternate service-based premium subsidy. Each individual retiree meeting these conditions receives the maximum \$230 per month subsidy reduced appropriately for service less than 20 years, as described above. Retirees who do not have Medicare Part A pay the difference between the total premium and the monthly subsidy.

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General Information about the OPEB Plan (Continued)

Contributions. Pursuant to Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1) (f) of the C.R.S., as amended, certain contributions are apportioned to the HCTF. PERA-affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions are required to contribute at a rate of 1.02% of PERA-includable salary into the HCTF.

Employer contributions are recognized by the HCTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the School is statutorily committed to pay the contributions. Employer contributions recognized by the HCTF from the School were \$127,964 for the year ended June 30, 2025.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

At June 30, 2025, the Academy reported a liability of \$476,389 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability for the HCTF was measured as of December 31, 2024, and the total OPEB liability (TOL) used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2023. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the TOL to December 31, 2024. The Academy's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the Academy's contributions to the HCTF for the calendar year 2024 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the HCTF.

At December 31, 2024, the Academy's proportion was .0996%, which was an increase of 0.00192% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2023.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

For the year ended June 30, 2025, the Academy recognized OPEB income of \$29,232. At June 30, 2025, the Academy reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	N/A	\$105,082
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	\$5,463	152,278
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	1,615	N/A
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	58,940	N/A
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	63,866	N/A
Total	\$129,884	\$257,360

\$63,866 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2026. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended June 30	
2026	(\$59,183)
2027	(\$35,849)
2028	(\$29,920)
2029	(\$29,839)
2030	(\$22,938)
Thereafter	(\$13,613)

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Actuarial assumptions. The December 31, 2023, actuarial valuation used the following actuarial cost method and key actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

	<u>State Division</u>	<u>School Division</u>	<u>Local Government Division</u>	<u>Judicial Division</u>
Actuarial cost method			Entry age	
Price inflation			2.30%	
Real wage growth			0.70%	
Wage inflation			3.00%	
Salary increases, including wage inflation				
Members other than Safety Officers	3.30%-10.90%	3.40%-11.00%	3.20%-11.30%	2.80%-5.30%
Safety Officers	3.20%-12.40%	N/A	3.20%-12.40%	N/A
Long-term investment rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation			7.25%	
Discount rate			7.25%	
Health care cost trend rates				
PERA benefit structure:				
Service-based premium subsidy			0.00%	
PERACare Medicare plans			16.00% in 2024, then 6.75% in 2025, gradually decreasing to 4.50% in 2034	
MAPD PPO #2			105.00% in 2024, then 8.55% in 2025, gradually decreasing to 4.50% in 2034	
Medicare Part A premiums			3.50% in 2024, gradually increasing to 4.50% in 2033	
DPS benefit structure:				
Service-based premium subsidy			0.00%	
PERACare Medicare plans			N/A	
Medicare Part A premiums			N/A	

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

As of the December 31, 2024, measurement date, the FNP and related disclosure components for the HCTF reflect additional payments related to the disaffiliation of Tri-County Health Department (Tri-County Health) as a PERA-affiliated employer, effective December 31, 2022. The additional employer disaffiliation payment allocations to the HCTF and Local Government Division Trust Fund were \$0.020 million and \$0.486 million, respectively.

Each year the per capita health care costs are developed by plan option. As of the December 31, 2023, actuarial valuation, costs are based on 2024 premium rates for the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) PPO plan #1, the UnitedHealthcare MAPD PPO plan #2, and the Kaiser Permanente MAPD HMO plan. Actuarial morbidity factors were then applied to estimate individual retiree and spouse costs by age, gender, and health care cost trend. This approach applies for all members and is adjusted accordingly for those not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for the PERA benefit structure.

Age-Related Morbidity Assumptions

Participant Age	Annual Increase (Male)	Annual Increase (Female)
65-68	2.2%	2.3%
69	2.8%	2.2%
70	2.7%	1.6%
71	3.1%	0.5%
72	2.3%	0.7%
73	1.2%	0.8%
74	0.9%	1.5%
75-85	0.9%	1.3%
86 and older	0.0%	0.0%

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Sample Age	MAPD PPO #1 with Medicare Part A		MAPD PPO #2 with Medicare Part A		MAPD HMO (Kaiser) with Medicare Part A	
	Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
65	\$1,710	\$1,420	\$585	\$486	\$1,897	\$1,575
70	\$1,921	\$1,589	\$657	\$544	\$2,130	\$1,763
75	\$2,122	\$1,670	\$726	\$571	\$2,353	\$1,853

Sample Age	MAPD PPO #1 without Medicare Part A		MAPD PPO #2 without Medicare Part A		MAPD HMO (Kaiser) without Medicare Part A	
	Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
65	\$6,536	\$5,429	\$4,241	\$3,523	\$7,063	\$5,866
70	\$7,341	\$6,073	\$4,764	\$3,941	\$7,933	\$6,563
75	\$8,110	\$6,385	\$5,262	\$4,143	\$8,763	\$6,900

The 2024 Medicare Part A premium is \$505 per month.

All costs are subject to the health care cost trend rates, discussed as follows.

Health care cost trend rates reflect the change in per capita health costs over time due to factors such as medical inflation, utilization, plan design, and technology improvements. For the PERA benefit structure, health care cost trend rates are needed to project the future costs associated with providing benefits to those PERACare enrollees not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A.

Health care cost trend rates for the PERA benefit structure are based on published annual health care inflation surveys in conjunction with actual plan experience (if credible), building block models, and industry methods developed by health plan actuaries and administrators.

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In addition, projected trends for the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund (Medicare Part A premiums) provided by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services are referenced in the development of these rates. PERACare Medicare plan rates are applied where members have no premium-free Part A and where those premiums are already exceeding the maximum subsidy. MAPD PPO #2 has a separate trend because the first year rates are still below the maximum subsidy and to reflect the estimated impact of the Inflation Reduction Act for that plan option.

The PERA benefit structure health care cost trend rates used to measure the TOL are summarized in the following table:

Year	PERACare Medicare Plans ¹	MAPD PPO #21	Medicare Part A Premiums
2024	16.00%	105.00%	3.50%
2025	6.75%	8.55%	3.75%
2026	6.50%	8.10%	3.75%
2027	6.25%	7.65%	4.00%
2028	6.00%	7.20%	4.00%
2029	5.75%	6.75%	4.25%
2030	5.50%	6.30%	4.25%
2031	5.25%	5.85%	4.25%
2032	5.00%	5.40%	4.25%
2033	4.75%	4.95%	4.50%
2034+	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%

¹ Increase in 2024 trend rates due to the effect of the Inflation Reduction Act.

Mortality assumptions used in the December 31, 2023, valuation for the Division Trust Funds as shown in the following table, reflect generational mortality and were applied, as applicable, in the December 31, 2023, valuation for the HCTF, but developed using a headcount-weighted basis. Note that in all categories, displayed as follows, the mortality tables are generationally projected using scale MP-2019. Affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions participate in the HCTF.

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Pre-Retirement	Mortality Table	Adjustments, as Applicable
State and Local Government Divisions (members other than Safety Officers)	PubG-2010 Employee	N/A
Safety Officers	PubS-2010 Employee	N/A
School Division	PubT-2010 Employee	N/A
Judicial Division	PubG-2010(A) Above-Median Employee	N/A
Post-Retirement (Retiree), Non-Disabled	Mortality Table	Adjustments, as Applicable
State and Local Government Divisions (members other than Safety Officers)	PubG-2010 Healthy Retiree	Males: 94% of the rates prior to age 80/ 90% of the rates age 80 and older Females: 87% of the rates prior to age 80/ 107% of the rates age 80 and older
Safety Officers	PubS-2010 Healthy Retiree	N/A
School Division	PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree	Males: 112% of the rates prior to age 80/ 94% of the rates age 80 and older Females: 83% of the rates prior to age 80/ 106% of the rates age 80 and older
Judicial Division	PubG-2010(A) Above-Median Healthy Retiree	N/A
Post-Retirement (Beneficiary), Non-Disabled	Mortality Table	Adjustments, as Applicable
All Beneficiaries	Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor	Males: 97% of the rates for all ages Females: 105% of the rates for all ages
Disabled	Mortality Table	Adjustments, as Applicable
Members other than Safety Officers	PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree	99% of the rates for all ages
Safety Officers	PubS-2010 Disabled Retiree	N/A

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The following health care costs assumptions were updated and used in the roll-forward calculation for the HCTF:

- Per capita health care costs in effect as of the December 31, 2023, valuation date for those PERACare enrollees under the PERA benefit structure who are expected to be age 65 and older and are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A benefits were updated to reflect costs for the 2024 plan year.
- The health care cost trend rates applicable to health care premiums were revised to reflect the current expectation of future increases in those premiums. A separate trend rate assumption set was added for MAPD PPO #2 as the first-year rate is still below the maximum subsidy and also the assumption set reflects the estimated impact of the Inflation Reduction Act for that plan option.
- The Medicare health care plan election rate assumptions were updated effective as of the December 31, 2023, valuation date based on an experience analysis of recent data.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2023, valuations were based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, and November 4, 2020, for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019. Revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on November 20, 2020.

Based on the 2024 experience analysis, dated January 3, 2025, for the period January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2023, revised actuarial assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on January 17, 2025, and were effective as of December 31, 2024. The following assumptions were reflected in the roll forward calculation of the total OPEB liability from December 31, 2023, to December 31, 2024.

	State Division	School Division	Local Government Division	Judicial Division
Salary increases, including wage inflation:				
Members other than Safety Officers	2.70%-13.30%	4.00%-13.40%	3.40%-13.00%	2.30%-4.70%
Safety Officers	3.20%-16.30%	N/A	3.20%-16.30%	N/A

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

The following health care costs assumptions were used in the roll forward calculation for the HCTF:

- Salary scale assumptions were altered to better reflect actual experience.
- Rates of termination/withdrawal, retirement, and disability were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.
- Participation rates were reduced.
- MAPD premium costs are no longer age graded.

Plan	With Medicare Part A	Without Medicare Part A
MAPD PPO #1	\$1,824	\$6,972
MAPD PPO #2	624	4,524
MAPD HMO (Kaiser)	2,040	7,596

The adjustments for credibility applied to the Pub-2010 mortality tables for active and retired lives, including beneficiaries, were updated based on the experience. Note that in all categories, the mortality tables are generationally projected using the 2024 adjusted MP-2021 project scale. These assumptions updated for the Division Trust Funds, were also applied in the roll forward calculations for the HCTF using a headcount-weighted basis. Affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions participate in the HCTF.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Pre-Retirement	Mortality Table	Adjustments, as Applicable
State and Local Government Divisions (members other than Safety Officers)	PubG-2010 Employee	N/A
Safety Officers	PubS-2010 Employee	N/A
School Division	PubT-2010 Employee	N/A
Judicial Division	PubG-2010(A) Above-Median Employee	N/A
Post-Retirement (Retiree), Non-Disabled	Mortality Table	Adjustments, as Applicable
State and Local Government Divisions (members other than Safety Officers)	PubG-2010 Healthy Retiree	Males: 90% of the rates for all ages Females: 85% of the rates prior to age 85/ 105% of the rates age 85 and older
Safety Officers	PubS-2010 Healthy Retiree	N/A
School Division	PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree	Males: 106% of the rates for all ages Females: 86% of the rates prior to age 85/ 115% of the rates age 85 and older
Judicial Division	PubG-2010(A) Above-Median Healthy Retiree	N/A
Post-Retirement (Beneficiary), Non-Disabled	Mortality Table	Adjustments, as Applicable
All Beneficiaries	Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor	Males: 92% of the rates for all ages Females: 100% of the rates for all ages
Disabled	Mortality Table	Adjustments, as Applicable
Members other than Safety Officers	PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree	95% of the rates for all ages
Safety Officers	PubS-2010 Disabled Retiree	N/A

The actuarial assumptions pertaining to per capita health care costs and their related trend rates are analyzed annually and updated, as appropriate, by the PERA Board's actuary.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is monitored on an ongoing basis and reviewed as part of periodic experience studies prepared every four years, and asset/liability studies, performed every three to five years for PERA. The most recent analyses were outlined in the 2024 Experience Study report dated January 3, 2025.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages and then adding expected inflation.

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25% long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the November 15, 2019, meeting, and again at the Board's September 20, 2024, meeting. As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
Global Equity	51.00 %	5.00%
Fixed Income	23.00 %	2.60%
Private Equity	10.00 %	7.60%
Real Estate	10.00 %	4.10%
Alternatives	6.00 %	5.20%
Total	100.00 %	

Note: In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected nominal rate of return assumption of 7.25%.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Sensitivity of the Academy's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates. The following table presents the net OPEB liability using the current health care cost trend rates applicable to the PERA benefit structure, as well as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates:

	1% Decrease in Trend Rates	Current Trend Rates	1% Increase in Trend Rates
Initial PERACare Medicare trend rate ¹	5.75%	6.75%	7.75%
Ultimate PERACare Medicare trend rate	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Initial MAPD PPO#2 trend rate ¹	7.55%	8.55%	9.55%
Ultimate MAPD PPO#2 trend rate	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Initial Medicare Part A trend rate ¹	2.75%	3.75%	4.75%
Ultimate Medicare Part A trend rate	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Net OPEB Liability	\$463,554	\$476,389	\$490,915

¹For the January 1, 2025, plan year.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the TOL was 7.25%. The basis for the projection of liabilities and the FNP used to determine the discount rate was an actuarial valuation performed as of December 31, 2023, and the financial status of the HCTF as of the current measurement date (December 31, 2024). In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Updated health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums as of the December 31, 2024, measurement date.
- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00%.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law and effective as of the measurement date.

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- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- Estimated transfers of dollars into the HCTF representing a portion of purchase service agreements intended to cover the costs associated with OPEB benefits.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.
- As of the December 31, 2024, measurement date, the FNP and related disclosure components for the HCTF reflect additional payments related to the disaffiliation of Tri-County Health as a PERA-affiliated employer, effective December 31, 2022. The additional employer disaffiliation payment allocations to the HCTF and Local Government Division Trust Fund were \$0.020 million and \$0.486 million, respectively.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the FNP for the HCTF was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25% on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the TOL. The discount rate determination did not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25%. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date.

Sensitivity of the Academy's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following table presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB Liability	\$583,823	\$479,389	\$383,769

OPEB plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the HCTF's FNP is available in PERA's ACFR which can be obtained at www.copera.org/forms-resources/financial-reports-and-studies..

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NOTE 9: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Claims and Judgments

The Academy participates in a number of federal and state programs that are fully or partially funded by grants received from other governmental units. Expenditures financed by grants are subject to audit by the appropriate grantor government. If expenditures are disallowed due to noncompliance with grant program regulations, the Academy may be required to reimburse the grantor government. As of June 30, 2025, significant amounts of grant expenditures have not been audited, but the Academy believes that disallowed expenditures, if any, based on subsequent audits will not have a material effect on the overall financial position of the Academy.

Tabor Amendment

In November 1992, Colorado voters passed the Tabor Amendment to the State Constitution, which limits state and local government tax powers and imposes spending limitations. Fiscal year 1993 provides the basis for limits in future years to which may be applied allowable increases for inflation and student enrollment. Revenue received in excess of the limitations may be required to be refunded. The Academy believes it has complied with the Amendment. As required by the Amendment, the Academy has established a reserve for emergencies. At June 30, 2025, the reserve of \$694,963 was recorded as a reservation of fund balance in the General Fund.

NOTE 10: DEFICIT NET POSITION

The net position of the governmental activities is in a deficit position of \$5,714,939 due to the Academy including its Net Pension Liability per the requirements of GASB Statements No. 68 and 75.

As of June 30, 2025, the Academy had an internal service fund net position deficit of \$316,926. The deficit was created when the Academy used bond proceeds to construct its facilities. The deficit will be eliminated as the Academy pays down its debt.

NOTE 11: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Potential subsequent events were considered through October 15, 2025. It was determined that there were no events requiring disclosure.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
Year Ended June 30, 2025

	2025			VARIANCE	2024 ACTUAL
	ORIGINAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL	Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES					
Local Sources					
Per Pupil Operating Revenue	\$ 26,135,347	\$ 26,558,094	\$ 20,270,752	\$ (6,287,342)	\$ 19,040,238
Mill Levy	-	-	3,684,628	3,684,628	2,626,415
Pupil Activities	-	-	794,363	794,363	828,342
Charges for Services	-	-	1,005,717	1,005,717	1,065,225
Earnings on Investments	-	-	441,453	441,453	347,539
Other Revenue	-	486,317	469,674	(16,643)	59,897
State and Federal Sources					
Grants and Donations	3,255,261	3,573,303	3,920,137	346,834	3,515,003
TOTAL REVENUES	29,390,608	30,617,714	30,586,724	(30,990)	27,482,659
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
Salaries	13,535,537	13,652,437	12,792,359	860,078	11,936,150
Employee Benefits	5,247,739	5,246,051	4,548,980	697,071	4,034,274
Purchased Services	6,861,578	7,800,570	6,869,722	930,848	4,918,241
Supplies and Materials	2,412,348	2,482,799	2,069,684	413,115	2,438,856
Property	610,714	697,031	110,879	586,152	817,627
Other	722,692	738,826	666,548	72,278	684,332
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	29,390,608	30,617,714	27,058,172	3,559,542	24,829,480
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	-	-	3,528,552	3,528,552	2,653,179
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
Transfers In	-	-	13,867	13,867	4,498
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	-	3,542,419	3,542,419	2,657,677
FUND BALANCE, Beginning	9,790,275	12,448,704	12,447,952	(752)	9,790,275
FUND BALANCE, Ending	9,790,275	\$ 12,448,704	\$ 15,990,371	\$ 3,541,667	\$ 12,447,952

See the accompanying independent auditors' report.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE
SCHOOL DIVISION TRUST FUND

Years Ended December 31,

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	0.163%	0.156%	0.164%	0.144%	0.148%	0.161%	0.161%	0.123%	0.163%	0.156%
School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 24,973,594	\$ 46,534,475	\$ 53,081,661	\$ 25,545,322	\$ 22,092,404	\$ 24,391,232	\$ 16,540,314	\$ 22,375,192	\$ 28,880,910	\$ 26,849,700
State of Colorado Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability associated with the School	-	-	-	3,492,968	3,549,194	-	1,701,124	5,049,020	619,685	2,212,786
Total portion of the Net Pension Liability associated with the School	\$ 24,973,594	\$ 46,534,475	\$ 53,081,661	\$ 29,038,290	\$ 25,641,598	\$ 24,391,232	\$ 18,241,438	\$ 27,424,212	\$ 29,500,595	\$ 29,062,486
School's covered payroll	\$ 7,116,195	\$ 6,988,424	\$ 7,572,236	\$ 7,931,095	\$ 8,651,797	\$ 8,479,308	\$ 8,882,744	\$ 9,474,218	\$ 10,784,112	\$ 11,374,541
School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	350.9%	665.9%	701.0%	366.1%	296.4%	287.7%	205.4%	289.5%	273.6%	255.5%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	59.20%	43.10%	43.96%	57.01%	64.52%	66.99%	74.86%	61.79%	64.7%	67.17%

This schedule is reported as of December 31, as that is the plan year end.

See the accompanying independent auditors' report.

THE ACADEMY OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.
SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S CONTRIBUTIONS
SCHOOL DIVISION TRUST FUND

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Statutorily required contributions	\$ 1,369,654	\$ 1,374,149	\$ 1,531,707	\$ 1,579,911	\$ 1,716,356	\$ 1,790,067	\$ 1,809,266	\$ 2,037,616	\$ 2,348,076	\$ 2,556,777
Contributions in relation to the Statutorily required contributions	<u>1,369,654</u>	<u>1,374,149</u>	<u>1,531,707</u>	<u>1,579,911</u>	<u>1,716,356</u>	<u>1,790,067</u>	<u>1,809,266</u>	<u>2,037,616</u>	<u>2,348,076</u>	<u>2,556,777</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School's covered payroll	\$ 7,305,839	\$ 7,476,403	\$ 7,696,932	\$ 8,258,811	\$ 8,856,313	\$ 8,479,308	\$ 8,856,313	\$ 9,998,141	\$ 11,520,729	\$ 12,545,511
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	18.75%	18.38%	19.90%	19.13%	19.38%	21.11%	20.43%	20.38%	20.38%	20.38%

See the accompanying independent auditors' report.

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SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE
HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND

Years Ended December 31,

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
School's proportionate share of the Net OPEB Liability	0.089%	0.933%	0.094%	0.097%	0.093%	0.093%	0.094%	0.098%	0.099%
School's proportionate share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$ 1,147,510	\$ 1,212,163	\$ 1,275,833	\$ 1,086,079	\$ 886,798	\$ 800,226	\$ 762,302	\$ 697,358	\$ 476,389
School's covered payroll	\$ 6,988,424	\$ 7,572,236	\$ 7,931,095	\$ 8,651,797	\$ 8,479,308	\$ 8,882,744	\$ 9,474,218	\$ 10,784,112	\$ 11,374,541
School's proportionate share of the Net OPEB Liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	16.4%	16.0%	16.1%	12.6%	10.5%	9.0%	8.0%	6.5%	4.2%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	16.72%	17.53%	17.03%	24.49%	32.78%	39.40%	38.57%	46.20%	59.83%

This schedule is reported as of December 31, as that is the plan year end.

This schedule will report ten years of data when it is available.

See the accompanying independent auditors' report.

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SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S CONTRIBUTIONS
HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND

Years Ended June 30,

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Statutorily required contributions	\$ 76,259	\$ 78,509	\$ 84,240	\$ 90,333	\$ 86,489	\$ 90,333	\$ 101,980	\$ 117,512	\$ 127,964
Contributions in relation to the Statutorily required contributions	<u>76,259</u>	<u>78,509</u>	<u>84,240</u>	<u>90,333</u>	<u>86,489</u>	<u>90,333</u>	<u>101,980</u>	<u>117,512</u>	<u>127,964</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School's covered payroll	\$ 7,476,403	\$ 7,696,932	\$ 8,258,811	\$ 8,856,313	\$ 8,479,308	\$ 8,856,313	\$ 9,998,141	\$ 11,520,729	\$ 12,545,511
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%

Notes:

This schedule will report ten years of data when it is available.

See the accompanying independent auditors' report.