## INTREPID COLLEGE PREP AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2017

#### INTREPID COLLEGE PREP

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## INTREPID COLLEGE PREP INTRODUCTORY SECTION

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Directors Intrepid College Prep Antioch, Tennessee

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Intrepid College Prep (the "School"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.



We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Intrepid College Prep as of June 30, 2017 and the respective changes in financial position for the year ended June 30, 2017, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 - 10 and the schedule of the proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) and schedule of employer contributions on pages 39 - 41 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Intrepid College Prep's basic financial statements. The introductory section and combining nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the State of Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury's *Audit Manual for Local Governmental Units and Other Organizations* and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining nonmajor fund financial statements and schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements and the schedule of



expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide assurance on it.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 18, 2017, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Nashville, Tennessee December 18, 2017

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Our discussion and analysis of Intrepid College Prep's annual financial performance provides an overview of the School's financial activities as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. This section should be read in conjunction with the financial statements, which follow this section.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the School exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$1,026,930.
- Net position increased \$179,874 during the period.
- Total revenues of \$4,341,278 were comprised of Federal and State Pass-through Funds-10%, District Funds-83%, and Charitable Giving/Other-7%.

#### OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This financial report consists of a series of financial statements, notes to those statements, required supplementary information and supplementary information. The statements are organized so that the reader can understand the School as a whole and then proceed to a detailed look at specific financial activities of the School.

#### REPORTING THE SCHOOL AS A WHOLE

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities:

In general, users of these financial statements want to know if the School is better off or worse off as a result of the period's activities. The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities report information about the School as a whole and about the School's activities in a manner that helps to answer that question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, all of the current period's revenue and expenses are taken into consideration regardless of when cash is received or paid. The statements start on page 11.

The Statement of Net Position reports the School's net position (total assets and deferred outflows of resources less total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources). Private sector entities would report retained earnings. The School's net position balance at period end represents available resources for future growth. The Statement of Activities reports the change in net position as a result of activity during the period. Private sector entities have a similar report titled statement of operations, which reports net income. It provides the user a tool to assist in determining the direction of the School's financial health during the period. Users will want to consider non-financial factors as well as the financial data in arriving at a conclusion regarding the overall health of the School.

#### REPORTING THE SCHOOL'S FUNDS

Fund Financial Statements:

The School's fund financial statements, the Balance Sheet and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances, begin on page 13. They provide detailed information about the School's most significant funds, not the School as a whole. Funds are established by the School to help manage money for particular purposes and compliance with various donor and grant provisions.

The School's funds are categorized as "governmental funds." Governmental funds focus on how money flows into and out of the funds and the balances left at period-end that are available for spending in future periods. Fund financial statements are reported using an accounting method called "modified accrual" accounting, which measures cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. This basis of accounting is different from the accrual basis used in the school wide financial statements to report on the School as a whole. The relationship between governmental activities, as reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, and governmental funds, as reported in the Balance Sheet and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances is reconciled in the basic financial statements on pages 14 and 16.

#### SCHOOL WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net Position:

The School's assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded the School's liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the year, resulting in net position of \$1,026,930. The School's net position includes \$688,544 of cash. The cash is available to meet the School's ongoing activities.

As of June 30, 2017, the School had invested \$1,041,947 in capital assets. This investment includes building and improvements for instructional purposes and instructional and support furniture. Additional information on property and equipment is located in Note C to the financial statements. The School expects additional capital asset purchases in the 2017-2018 school year as student enrollment increases.

The School has debt in the amount of \$697,831. This debt was used to fund certain capital purchases and improvements. See Note D to the financial statements for further information.

A schedule of the School's net position as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, is as follows:

	2017	2016
Current assets	\$ 848,773	\$ 661,732
Capital assets	1,041,947	895,290
Net pension asset	15,928	7,349
Total assets	1,906,648	1,564,371
Deferred outflows of resources	176,323	133,067
Current liabilities	153,022	192,681
Long-term debt, payable within one year	195,738	495,113
Long-term debt, payable in more than one year	502,093	-
Net pension liability	51,553	76,570
Total liabilities	902,406	764,364
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>153,635</u>	86,018
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	344,116	400,177
Unrestricted	682,814	446,879
Total net position	<u>\$1,026,930</u>	<u>\$ 847,056</u>

The School's total net position increased \$179,874 during the year. The increase in the School's net position indicates that the School had more incoming revenues than outgoing expenses during the year.

Total revenues for fiscal year 2017 were \$4,341,278, an increase of \$1,087,726 when compared to fiscal year 2016. Revenues generated from government grants and district funding were \$4,046,250 during the year, an increase of \$1,025,080 when compared to 2016. The increase is primarily due to an increased enrollment with the addition of an 8th grade in 2017. Contributions from individuals and organizations of \$251,645 increased by \$59,200 during 2017. Total expenses were \$4,161,404 in 2017, an increase of \$1,421,646 also related to the addition of another grade in fiscal year 2017.

The increase in net position of \$179,874 in 2017 is \$333,920 less than the increase in net position of \$513,794 in 2016. Total revenue increased by approximately 33% as expenses increased approximately 52%. Total expenses increased at a faster rate due to the addition of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade, as anticipated.

A schedule of the School's revenues and expenses for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, is as follows. The schedule is for the School as a whole, not for the governmental funds.

	2017	2016
Revenues:		
District funding	\$3,592,916	\$2,735,155
Federal and state grants	453,334	286,015
Contributions	251,645	192,445
Other	43,383	39,937
Total revenues	4,341,278	3,253,552
Expenses:		
Employee compensation	2,262,058	1,408,016
Occupancy	396,281	284,456
Transportation	276,230	182,210
Depreciation	266,726	154,931
Insurance	33,961	31,392
Office expense	82,538	70,589
Interest	30,074	22,397
Instructional	139,304	73,416
Professional services and fees	231,350	111,107
Food services	272,888	230,263
Organizational development	155,255	142,214
Other expenses	14,739	28,767
Total expenses	4,161,404	2,739,758
Change in net position	<u>\$ 179,874</u>	\$ 513,794

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL'S FUNDS

The School's funds, as presented on the balance sheet on page 13 reported a combined fund balance of \$695,751. The majority of the School's total funds are in the General Fund, which is the chief operating fund of the School. The School has one other major fund consisting of the Federal and State Grants Fund, and one nonmajor fund consisting of the Restricted Contributions Fund.

Due to different basis of accounting, there is a difference between the amounts reported under the School's funds and the amounts reported as school wide. For the June 30, 2017 year end, the differences consist of capital assets, pension amounts, and debt, which are not reported in the School's funds.

#### **SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

Intrepid College Preparatory Charter School (the "School") is a high performing charter school educating students in Nashville's lowest income and most educationally underserved communities in Southeast Nashville. Our mission is to equip all students in grades five through twelve with the academic foundation, financial literacy, and ethical development necessary to excel in selective colleges, earn professional opportunities, and demonstrate positive leadership.

The School has grown from a middle school campus serving 84 students in fifth grade in 2013 to two campuses serving nearly 500 students in grades five through nine in middle and high school in 2017. Per 2017 TN Ready performance, Intrepid is among the highest growth and highest achieving schools in Davidson County. Among open enrollment schools, Intrepid had #1 achievement for English Language Learners in Grades 6-8 Math, #2 achievement for English Language Learners in 6-8 Science and 6-8 Science for all students. Intrepid had #2 achievement among open enrollment schools for Grades 6-8 Math and Top 5 achievement for Grades 6-8 ELA.

Our story of student growth is equally impressive. Intrepid teachers are #1 in the district for Grade 7 Math growth, #1 in the district for Algebra I EOC growth, and #1 in the district for Grade 7 composite growth. Intrepid teachers are #2 in the district for Grade 6 Math growth and #2 in the district for Grade 7 ELA growth.

Now in its fifth year, the School has become a proof point in Southeast Nashville that demographics do not equal destiny. Over ninety percent of our scholars are zoned to under-performing neighborhood middle schools. Eighty-nine percent of our students are economically disadvantaged. Sixty-seven percent of our scholars speak a language at home other than English. Yet despite these seemingly insurmountable odds coupled with the daily, harsh realities faced by most youth living in low-income, high-risk neighborhoods, the School's students emulate and often exceed the academic success of their affluent peers in Williamson County. In many cases, we've reversed academic achievement gaps. 100% of Intrepid African-American and Hispanic students achieved Mastered on On-Track performance in Algebra I, compared to just 24.5% of Williamson County students. In fact, the only two schools in Davidson or Williamson County to outperform achievement among Black, Hispanic and Native-American students is Martin Luther King Magnet Jr. High School, which is a selective enrollment school, and Brentwood Middle in Williamson County, which serves a small percentage (2%) of economically disadvantaged students. The School's students must - and do - make significant academic growth each year, and outperform neighborhood schools as well as city and state averages on standardized tests.

Table 1. TN Ready Performance Comparison to Matched Schools: ELA

Grade	Intrepid	Antioch	Cane Ridge	MNPS	Statewide
Grade 5	24.4%	10.8%	9.5%	25.4%	34%
Grade 6	32.2%	16.8%	16.8%	25.8%	33.6%
Grade 7	44.9%	16.8%	16.8%	25.8%	33.6%
Grade 8	35.1%	16.8%	16.8%	25.8%	33.6%

Grade	Intrepid	Antioch	Cane Ridge	MNPS	Statewide
Grade 5	45.4%	9.3%	11.1%	29.2%	40.1%
Grade 6	66.7%	12.1%	10%	25.9%	35.8%
Grade 7	67.4%	12.1%	10%	25.9%	35.8%
Grade 8	47.7%	12.1%	10%	25.9%	35.8%
Algebra I	96.6%			18.5%	15.1%

Table 2. TN Ready Performance Comparison to Matched Schools: Math

Table 3. TN Ready Performance Comparison to Matched Schools: Science

Grade	Intrepid	Antioch	Cane Ridge	MNPS	Statewide
Grade 5	70.6%	30.5%	39.1%	39.5%	55.8%
Grade 6	87.4%	32.3%	42.8%	46.7%	61.4%
Grade 7	91%	32.3%	42.8%	46.7%	61.4%
Grade 8	79.7%	32.3%	42.8%	46.7%	61.4%

#### CONTACTING THE SCHOOL'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide transparency and accountability to all stakeholders and interested parties in the financial management and sustainability of Intrepid College Prep. For questions about this report or additional financial information, contract the School's Founder and Executive Director, Mia Howard, by telephone at (615) 810-8443 or by email to mhoward@intrepidcollegeprep.org.

#### INTREPID COLLEGE PREP STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2017

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 688,544
Grants receivable	32,926
Prepaids	127,303
Capital assets, net	1,041,947
Net pension asset	15,928
Total assets	1,906,648
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pensions	176,323
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	153,022
Long-term debt, payable within one year	195,738
Long-term debt, payable in more than one year	502,093
Net pension liability	51,553
Total liabilities	902,406
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pensions	153,635
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	344,116
Unrestricted	682,814
Total net position	\$ 1,026,930

#### INTREPID COLLEGE PREP STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

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GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:	Total	Service	S	Administration		
EXPENSES						
Instructional	\$ 139,304	\$ 139	,304	\$	-	
Occupancy	396,281	336	,783		59,498	
Office	82,538		-		82,538	
Other	14,739	8	,903		5,836	
Organizational development	155,255	140	,738		14,517	
Professional services and fees	231,350	15	,430		215,920	
Employee compensation	2,262,058	1,526	,714		735,344	
Food services	272,888	272	,888		-	
Insurance	33,961		-		33,961	
Interest	30,074		-		30,074	
Transportation	276,230	276	,230		-	
Depreciation	266,726	226	,717		40,009	
Total expenses	4,161,404	2,943	,707		1,217,697	
PROGRAM REVENUES						
Operating grants and contributions	381,334	381	,334		-	
Capital grants and contributions	72,000	72	,000			
Net program expenses	3,708,070	\$ 2,490	,373	\$	1,217,697	
GENERAL REVENUES						
District funding	3,592,916					
Contributions	251,645					
Other income	43,383					
Total general revenues	3,887,944					
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	179,874					
NET POSITION, June 30, 2015	847,056					
NET POSITION, June 30, 2016	\$ 1,026,930					

#### INTREPID COLLEGE PREP BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2017

	General			Federal				
	Purpose		and State		Nonmajor		Total	
	School			Grants		vermental	Gov	ernmental
		Fund		Fund		Funds		Funds
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	688,544	\$	-	\$	-	\$	688,544
Receivables		-		32,926		-		32,926
Due from other funds		32,926		-		-		32,926
Prepaids		109,303				18,000		127,303
Total assets	\$	830,773	\$	32,926	\$	18,000	\$	881,699
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	\$	91,651	\$	-	\$	-	\$	91,651
Accrued expenditures		61,371		-		-		61,371
Due to other funds				32,926		_		32,926
Total liabilities		153,022		32,926				185,948
FUND BALANCES								
Nonspendable		109,303		-		18,000		127,303
Unassigned		568,448						568,448
Total fund balances		677,751				18,000		695,751
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	830,773	\$	32,926	\$	18,000	\$	881,699

#### INTREPID COLLEGE PREP BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - CONTINUED JUNE 30, 2017

## RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION:

Total governmental fund balances	\$ 695,751
Capital assets not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet	1,041,947
Pension amounts not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet:	
Net pension asset	15,928
Net pension liability	(51,553)
Deferred outflows of resources for pensions	176,323
Deferred inflows of resources for pensions	(153,635)
Long-term debt not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet	(697,831)
Net position of governmental activities in the statement of net position	\$ 1,026,930

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## INTREPID COLLEGE PREP STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	 General Purpose School Fund	;	Federal and State Grants Fund	Nonmajor Govermental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
REVENUES							
Contributions	\$ 63,645	\$	-	\$	188,000	\$	251,645
District funding	3,592,916		-		-		3,592,916
Federal and state grants	-		453,334		=		453,334
Other income	 43,383						43,383
Total revenues	 3,699,944		453,334		188,000		4,341,278
EXPENDITURES							
Current:							
Instructional	139,304		-		-		139,304
Occupancy	396,281		-		-		396,281
Office	82,538		-		-		82,538
Other	14,739		-		-		14,739
Organizational development	155,255		-		-		155,255
Professional services and fees	231,350		-		-		231,350
Employee compensation	2,013,918		187,375		70,000		2,271,293
Food services	78,929		193,959		-		272,888
Insurance	33,961		-		-		33,961
Transportation	276,230		-		-		276,230
Debt service:							
Principal payments	88,755		-		-		88,755
Interest	30,074		-		-		30,074
Capital outlay	241,383		72,000		100,000		413,383
Total expenditures	3,782,717		453,334		170,000		4,406,051
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES							
Issuance of debt	 291,473						291,473
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	208,700		-		18,000		226,700
FUND BALANCES, June 30, 2016	 469,051						469,051
FUND BALANCES, June 30, 2017	\$ 677,751	\$		\$	18,000	\$	695,751

# INTREPID COLLEGE PREP STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - CONTINUED GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

## RECONCILIATION OF NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES TO CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES:

Net change in fund balances as reported in the governmental funds statements	\$ 226,700
Amounts reported as expenditures in the governmental funds not included as expenses in the school-wide statements:	
Capital outlays	413,383
Issuance of debt recorded as revenue in the governmental funds, but reflected as long-term debt in the school-wide statements	(291,473)
Principal payments on debt recorded as expense in the governmental funds, but reflected as long-term debt in the school-wide statements	88,755
Expenses in the school-wide statements not included in the governmental funds:  Depreciation expense	(266,726)
Expenditures for pensions in the governmental funds consists of contributions made, whereas in the government-wide statement, negative pension expense is calculated in accordance with GASB No. 68	 9,235
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 179,874

#### A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Organization**

Intrepid College Prep (the "School") is a not for profit organization organized under the laws of the State of Tennessee, with an exemption from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Pursuit to Section 6(1)(a) of the Tennessee Public Charter School Act of 2002 (the "Act"), the School has been approved as a public charter school. Pursuant to the Act, public charter schools are part of the State's public education program offering an alternative means with the public school system for accomplishing necessary outcomes of education. The School entered into a Charter School Agreement with the Metropolitan Nashville Board of Education to operate a charter school in Nashville, Tennessee. The School began classes in August 2013 with a fifth grade class and intends to add an additional grade each year culminating with the addition of a twelfth grade in the 2020-2021 fiscal year. The mission of the School is to prepare every scholar for success in selected colleges and financial discipline in adulthood.

#### **Basic Financial Statements**

#### School-wide financial statements

The school-wide financial statements focus on the sustainability of the School as an entity and the change in the School's net position resulting from the current period's activities. In the school-wide statement of net position, amounts are reported on a full accrual, economic resources basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as any long-term debt and obligations. The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the School at period end.

When applicable, the School's net position is reported in three categories - net investment in capital assets; net position - restricted; and net position - unrestricted. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the School's policy to use restricted resources first, and then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

The school-wide statement of activities reports both the gross and net cost of the School's functions. The functions are also supported by general government revenues (general revenues are primarily made up of district Basic Education Program ("BEP") funding and donations to the General Purpose School Fund). The statement of activities reduces gross expenses by related function revenues, including operating grants and contributions and capital grants and contributions. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function. The net costs by function are normally covered by general revenue.

#### A. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> - Continued

#### Fund financial statements

The financial transactions of the School are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund balance, revenues and expenditures.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds. When applicable, nonmajor funds by category are summarized in a single column. Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*, sets forth minimum criteria for the determination of major funds. The School reports the following major governmental funds:

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

The Federal and State Grants Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the receipt and disbursement of federal and state grants where unused balances, if any, are returned to the grantor at the close of specified project periods.

The focus of the governmental funds is upon the determination of financial resources, their balance, sources and use, rather than upon net income. The School classifies governmental fund balances as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned based on the level of constraints on the fund balances. When an expenditure is incurred in which both restricted and unrestricted funds are available for use, it is the School's policy to spend restricted funds first, then unrestricted funds. When an expenditure has been incurred for purposes in which multiple categories of unrestricted funds are available, it is the School's policy to spend funds in the following order: committed, then assigned, and lastly unassigned funds. The classifications of fund balances are defined as follows:

*Nonspendable* - This classification consists of fund balances that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form, for example, noncash amounts that are not expected to be converted to cash, or the funds are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Restricted* - This classification consists of fund balances with external constraints on use imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), contributors or laws or regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

#### A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Committed - This classification consists of fund balances that can only be used for specific purposes established by formal action of the School's Board of Directors, its highest level of decision making authority. Such commitments should include contractual obligations of fund assets. Fund balance commitments can only be removed by the same process of the same body employed to previously commit those amounts.

Assigned - This classification consists of all fund balances that are not in the General Purpose School Fund or classified as nonspendable, restricted or committed. In addition, General Purpose School Fund balances that the School intends to use for specific purposes are also classified as assigned. The School gives the authority to assign amounts to specific purposes to the School's accountant and personnel under the supervision of the accountant tasked with financial recording responsibilities.

*Unassigned* - This classification consists of all fund balances in the General Purpose School Fund that are not reported as nonspendable, restricted, committed or assigned.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The School's financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the GASB.

The School is considered a special purpose governmental entity engaged in governmental type activities and is not a component unit of another governmental entity. Therefore, the financial statements are prepared in the same manner as general purpose governments.

The School's basic financial statements include both school-wide (reporting the School as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the School's major funds). The School's primary activities are all considered to be governmental activities and are classified as such in the school-wide and fund financial statements.

The school-wide financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues under the modified accrual basis are recognized when measurable and available and expenditures are recognized when the related liability is incurred. "Available" means collectible within the current period or within 60 days after the end of the period.

Since the governmental funds financial statements are presented on a different basis than the school-wide financial statements, a reconciliation is provided immediately following each fund statement. These reconciliations briefly explain the adjustments necessary to convert the fund financial statements into the school-wide financial statements.

#### A. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> - Continued

#### Use of Estimates

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

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The School considers deposits that can be redeemed on demand and investments that have original maturities of less than three months, when purchased, to be cash equivalents. As of June 30, 2017, the School's cash and cash equivalents were deposited with a financial institution. The School may, from time to time, maintain deposit balances in excess of federally insured limits. See Note B.

#### Receivables

Receivables represent amounts due from grants or funding which have been approved but not received. All receivables are reported at estimated collectible amounts.

#### Capital Assets

On the school-wide financial statements, property and equipment are recorded at acquisition cost, if purchased, or the fair value on the date received, if donated. The cost of routine maintenance and repairs is expensed as incurred. Initial individual expenditures generally exceeding \$500, which materially extend the economic lives, change capacities or improve the efficiency of the related assets are capitalized. Upon sale or retirement, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts, and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is included in the statement of activities. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, ranging from 5 to 10 years. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the life of the lease or estimated useful life, whichever is shorter.

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital expenditures of the respective governmental fund upon acquisition.

#### A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The School reports the following deferred outflow of resources relating to the pensions: Contributions made subsequent to the pension measurement date, difference between expected and actual experience, difference between projected and actual investment earnings, and changes in proportion of the net pension liability.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The School reports the following deferred inflow of resources relating to pensions: Differences between expected and actual experience and differences between projected and actual investment earnings, and changes in proportion of net pension liability.

#### **Income Taxes**

The School is a not-for-profit school that is exempt from federal income taxes under the Internal Revenue Code, classified by the Internal Revenue Service as other than a private foundation and is similarly exempt from state income taxes. The School accounts for the effect of any uncertain tax positions based on a more likely than not threshold to the recognition of the tax positions being sustained based on the technical merits of the position under examination by the applicable taxing authority. If a tax position or positions are deemed to result in uncertainties of those positions, the unrecognized tax benefit is estimated based on a cumulative probability assessment that aggregates the estimated tax liability for all uncertain tax positions. Tax positions for the School include, but are not limited to, the tax-exempt status and determination of whether income is subject to unrelated business income tax; however, the School has determined that such tax positions do not result in an uncertainty requiring recognition.

#### Grants

The School receives awards and financial assistance through federal, state, local and private agencies. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Purpose School Fund or Federal and State Grants Fund. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the School.

#### A. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> - Continued

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying value of cash equivalents, receivables, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments. The fair value of long-term debt approximates carrying value as interest approximates market rates.

#### **Interfund Balances**

Transactions which constitute reimbursement of expenditures initially made from a fund, which are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures, as appropriate, in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed.

Interfund balance of \$32,926 between the general purpose school fund and the federal and state grants fund represents grant expenditures made by the general purpose school fund in advance of grant receipts by the federal and state grants fund.

#### Commitments Contingencies and Risk Management

The School is exposed to various risk of loss relating to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors or commissions; illness or injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The School carries insurance for certain risks of loss. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The School may become subject to various claims and legal actions, which arise in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, in consultation with legal counsel, the ultimate resolution of such matters will not have a material adverse effect on the School's financial position or results of operations, as of the date of these financial statements.

#### Continuing Activities

The School is dependent on certain significant contracts and grants for its continued operations. These contracts and grants are from state, local and other sources and are subject to the School's ability to fulfill the contract and grant requirements. Additionally, the School's receipt of such contracts and grants may also be contingent upon its ability to maintain certain financial condition, cash flows, level of operations, payment of liabilities, and test scores and academic standards. If a grantor agency finds that the School is not meeting these requirements, the agency may not provide continuing funding, which would have a material adverse impact on the School's ability to continue its operations.

#### B. DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

As of June 30, 2017, the School had cash deposits with a financial institution that had a carrying amount of \$688,544. The School's financial institution participates in the State of Tennessee's Bank Collateral Pool, which helps the School to mitigate custodial credit risk.

#### C. <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

Capital assets activity for governmental activities for the period was as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2016	Additions	Transfers	Balance June 30, 2017
Nondepreciable: Construction in progress	<u>\$ 183,092</u>	\$ 282,516	<u>\$(465,608)</u>	<u>\$</u>
Depreciable:				
Leasehold improvements	\$ 803,154	\$ 27,937	\$ 465,608	\$ 1,296,699
Equipment	46,720	50,597	-	97,317
Furniture and fixtures	121,857	52,333	-	174,190
Total depreciable	·			
capital assets	971,731	130,867	465,608	1,568,206
Accumulated depreciation	*	(266,726)		( 526,259)
Capital assets, net	\$ 895,290	<u>\$ 146,657</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 1,041,947

Depreciation was charged to governmental activities as follows:

Student instruction and services	\$226,717
Administration	40,009
	\$266,726

#### D. NOTES PAYABLE

In March 2013, the School entered into a \$250,000 revolving line of credit arrangement with a bank to fund the build out of the School. The related note payable is collateralized by substantially all the assets and contributions of the School. In February 2016, the School amended the revolving line of credit to reduce the principal amount available to \$100,000. In February 2017, the School amended the note to extend the maturity date to February 18, 2018. The note accrues interest at a variable rate based on prime rate plus 0.5%, with a minimum rate of 4.25% (rate was 4.25% at June 30, 2017). Interest payments are due monthly with the remaining principal and accrued interest due in February 2018. The balance of the note payable was \$90,367 at June 30, 2017.

#### D. NOTES PAYABLE - Continued

In February 2016, the School entered into a \$260,426 revolving line of credit arrangement with a bank to fund the expansion of the School. Notes payable under the line of credit are collateralized by substantially all the assets and contributions of the School. The note has also been guaranteed by a donor of the School. The note accrues interest at a fixed rate of 4.5%. Payments of \$3,631 are due monthly through maturity in March 2023. The balance of the note payable was \$219,610 at June 30, 2017.

In February 2016, the School entered into a \$362,745 revolving line of credit arrangement with a bank to fund the expansion of the School. Notes payable under the agreement are collateralized by substantially all the assets of the School. The note accrues interest at a fixed rate of 4.5%. Payments of \$5,383 are due monthly through maturity in March 2023. The balance of the note payable was \$324,424 at June 30, 2017.

In July 2015, the School entered into a \$100,000 promissory note payable with a foundation to purchase portable classrooms for the School. The note is not collateralized. The note accrues interest at a fixed rate of 3.00%. Monthly payments of \$1,797 are due until maturity in July 2020. The balance of the note payable was \$63,430 at June 30, 2017.

The following is a summary of changes in the School's long-term debt for governmental activities for the period ended June 30, 2017:

	Balance			Balance
	<u>July 1, 2016</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Payments</u>	June 30, 2017
Note payable - bank	\$ 90,367	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90,367
Note payable - bank	252,345	-	32,735	219,610
Note payable - bank	69,631	291,473	36,680	324,424
Note payable - foundation	on <u>82,770</u>		19,340	63,430
Total	<u>\$495,113</u>	<u>\$291,473</u>	<u>\$88,755</u>	<u>\$697,831</u>

A summary of annual principal and interest requirements follows:

Year Ending June 30,	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>
2018	\$27,072	\$195,738
2019	19,830	109,904
2020	15,100	114,634
2021	10,411	99,558
2022	5,915	102,256
Thereafter	1,365	75,741
	<u>\$79,693</u>	<u>\$697,831</u>

#### E. LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

The facilities used to provide educational services are provided under a lease arrangement with a local church. The lease is for a ten-year period ending on June 30, 2023, and includes an option to extend for two additional five-year periods. The lease arrangement requires the School to pay a minimum rent based on square footage, plus additional rent for operating expenses, common areas, and their portion of property taxes. The School's rent expense for the period ended 2017 totaled \$258,314.

In August 2017, the lease was amended to include additional space for expansion of the School.

Beginning in July 2015, the School is also obligated under a lease agreement for three modular classrooms with monthly payments totaling \$1,125 for a three-year period ending on June 30, 2018.

In January 2017, the School entered into an agreement to lease certain property in South Nashville for the high school campus. The high school opened in August 2017, at which time the School began making lease payments. Annual lease payments for the property are estimated to be \$470,000 in fiscal year 2018. The base annual rent shall increase by one percent per year starting in the third year of the lease. The School also agreed to pay a \$100,000 developer's fee, which the School elected to finance as part of its lease payments. The fee will be paid in monthly installments equal to 1% of the lease payments, beginning in the third year of the lease until the fee is paid in full. The lease will expire in June 2027, at which time the School has the option to renew for two additional five-year periods. The agreement also includes an option to purchase the property at any time during the lease term at a price equal to the lessee's total project cost to improve the building less payments towards the development fee multiplied by 1.05.

The leases require rental payments through June 30, 2027, as follows:

#### Year Ending June 30,

2018	\$ 753,380
2019	748,525
2020	766,963
2021	780,946
2022	795,290
Thereafter	2,803,415

\$6,648,519

#### F. CONCENTRATIONS

The School received approximately 83% of its funding for operations from MNPS based on the State of Tennessee's Basic Education Program ("BEP"). BEP funding is designated to schools based on student attendance. Gross BEP funding for the year ended June 30, 2017, was \$3,592,916.

Outside fundraising for capital needs is on-going to supplement funding received from State BEP capital since the charter school agreement with MNPS does not include an allocation for capital expenditures.

#### G. PENSION PLANS

The School, similar to MNPS and all Tennessee Public Charter Schools in the MNPS System, participates in the following three defined benefit pension plans (collectively the "Pension Plans"):

#### **Certificated Employees**

Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System ("TCRS"):

Teachers Legacy Pension Plan

Teachers Retirement Plan (collectively the "TCRS Plans")

#### Non-Certificated Employees

Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee (the "Metropolitan Government"):

Metro Pension Plan of the Metropolitan Employees Benefit Trust (the "Metro Plan")

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Pension Plans and additions to/deductions from fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the TCRS and the Metropolitan Government. For this purpose, benefits (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms of the Pension Plans. Investments are reported at fair value.

- (I.) TCRS Plans
- (A) General Information TCRS Plans

#### G. <u>PENSIONS</u> - Continued

#### Description of the TCRS Plans

Teachers with membership in the TCRS before July 1, 2014, of the School are provided with pensions through the Teacher Legacy Pension Plan, a cost sharing multiple-employer pension plan administered by the TCRS. The Teacher Legacy Pension Plan closed to new membership on June 30, 2014, but will continue providing benefits to existing members and retirees. Beginning July 1, 2014, the Teacher Retirement Plan became effective for teachers employed by Local Education Agencies (LEAs) after June 30, 2014.

The Teacher Retirement Plan is a separate cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plan. The TCRS was created by state statute under Tennessee Code Annotated Title 8, Chapters 34-37. The TCRS Board of Trustees is responsible for the proper operation and administration of all employer pension plans in the TCRS. The Tennessee Treasury Department, an agency in the legislative branch of state government, administers the plans of the TCRS. The TCRS issues a publically available financial report that can be obtained at <a href="https://www.treasury.tn.gov/tcrs.">www.treasury.tn.gov/tcrs.</a>

#### Benefits Provided

Tennessee Code Annotated Title 8, Chapters 34-37 establishes the benefit terms and can be amended only by the Tennessee General Assembly.

#### Teachers Legacy Pension Plan

Members of the Teacher Legacy Pension Plan are eligible to retire with an unreduced benefit at age 60 with 5 years of service credit or after 30 years of service credit regardless of age. Benefits are determined by a formula using the member's highest five consecutive year average compensation and the member's years of service credit. A reduced early retirement benefit is available at age 55 and vested. Members are vested with five years of service credit. Service related disability benefits are provided regardless of length of service. Five years of service is required for non-service related disability eligibility. The service related and non-service related disability benefits are determined in the same manner as a service retirement benefit but are reduced 10 percent and include projected service credits. A variety of death benefits are available under various eligibility criteria. Member and beneficiary annuitants are entitled to automatic cost of living adjustments (COLAs) after retirement. A COLA is granted each July for annuitants retired prior to the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July of the previous year. The COLA is based on the change in the consumer price index (CPI) during the prior calendar year, capped at 3 percent, and applied to the current benefit. No COLA is granted if the change in the CPI is less than one-half percent. A one percent COLA is granted if the CPI change is between one-half percent and one percent. A member who leaves employment may withdraw their employee contributions, plus any accumulated interest.

#### G. PENSIONS - Continued

#### Teachers Retirement Plan

Members of the Teacher Retirement Plan are eligible to retire with an unreduced benefit at age 65 with 5 years of service credit or pursuant to the rule of 90 in which the member's age and service credit total 90. Benefits are determined by a formula using the member's highest five consecutive year average compensation and the member's years of service credit. A reduced early retirement benefit is available at age 60 and vested pursuant to the rule of 80. Members are vested with five years of service credit. Service related disability benefits are provided regardless of length of service. Five years of service is required for non-service related disability eligibility. The service related and non-service related disability benefits are determined in the same manner as a service retirement benefit but are reduced 10 percent and include projected service credits. A variety of death benefits are available under various eligibility criteria. Member and beneficiary annuitants are entitled to automatic cost of living adjustments (COLAs) after retirement. A COLA is granted each July for annuitants retired prior to the July 2 of the previous year. The COLA is based on the change in the consumer price index (CPI) during the prior calendar year, capped at 3 percent, and applied to the current benefit. No COLA is granted if the change in the CPI is less than one-half percent. A one percent COLA is granted if the CPI change is between one-half percent and one percent. A member who leaves employment may withdraw their employee contributions, plus any accumulated interest.

Under the Teachers Legacy Pension Plan and Teachers Retirement Plan, benefit terms and conditions, including COLAs, can be adjusted on a prospective basis. Moreover, there are defined cost controls and unfunded liability controls that provide for the adjustment of benefit terms and conditions on an automatic basis.

#### Contributions

Contributions for teachers are established in the statutes governing the TCRS and may only be changed by the Tennessee General Assembly (or by automatic cost controls set out in law for the Teachers Retirement Plan). Teachers contribute 5 percent of salary. The Local Education Agencies (LEAs) make employer contributions at the rate set by the Board of Trustees as determined by an actuarial valuation. By law, employer contributions are required to be paid. The TCRS may intercept the state shared taxes of the sponsoring governmental entity of the LEA if the required employer contributions are not remitted.

#### G. PENSIONS - Continued

Teachers Legacy Pension Plan

Employer contributions by the School for the year ended June 30, 2017, to the Teacher Legacy Pension Plan were \$20,699 which is 9.04 percent of covered payroll. The employer rate, when combined with member contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by members during the year, the cost of administration, as well as an amortized portion of any unfunded liability.

#### Teachers Retirement Plan

Per the statutory provisions governing the TCRS, the employer contribution rate cannot be less than 4 percent, except for in years when the maximum funded level, as established by the TCRS Board of Trustees, is reached. Employer contributions for the year ended June 30, 2017 to the Teacher Retirement Plan were \$44,339 which is 4.00 percent of covered payroll. The employer rate, when combined with member contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by members during the year, the cost of administration, as well as an amortized portion of any unfunded liability.

#### (B) Pension Liabilities (Assets) - TCRS Plans

#### Pension Liability (Asset)

Teachers Legacy Pension Plan

The School reported a liability of \$23,762 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School's contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating LEA's. At the measurement date of June 30, 2016, the School's proportion was 0.003802 percent. The proportion measured as of June 30, 2015 was 0.004206 percent.

#### G. PENSIONS - Continued

Teachers Retirement Plan

At June 30, 2017, the School reported an asset of (\$15,928) for its proportionate share of the net pension asset. The net pension asset was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension asset used to calculate the net pension asset was determined by an actuarial value as of that date. The School's proportion of the net pension asset was based on the School's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating LEAs. At the measurement date of June 30, 2016, the School's proportion was 0.153003 percent. The proportion measured as of June 30, 2015 was 0.178915 percent.

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

Teachers Legacy Pension Plan and Teachers Retirement Plan

The total pension liability (asset) in the June 30, 2016, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 3.0 percent

Salary increases Graded salary ranges from 8.97 to 3.71 percent based

on age, including inflation, averaging 4.25 percent

Investment rate of return 7.5 percent, net of pension plan investment

expenses, including inflation

Cost-of living adjustment 2.5 percent

Mortality rates are customized based on the June 30, 2012, actuarial experience study and included some adjustment for expected future improvement in life expectancy.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study performed for the period July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2012. The demographic assumptions were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and expected future experience.

#### G. PENSIONS - Continued

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was established by the TCRS Board of Trustees in conjunction with the June 30, 2012 actuarial experience study by considering the following three techniques: (1) the 25-year historical return of the TCRS at June 30, 2012, (2) the historical market returns of asset classes from 1926 to 2012 using the TCRS investment policy asset allocation, and (3) capital market projections that were utilized as a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. Four sources of capital market projections were blended and utilized in the third technique. The blended capital market projection established the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding inflation of 3 percent. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	Target Allocation
U.S. equity	6.46%	33%
Developed market international equity	6.26%	17%
Emerging market international equity	6.40%	5%
Private equity and strategic lending	4.61%	8%
U.S. fixed income	0.98%	29%
Real estate	4.73%	7%
Short-term securities	0.00%	1%
		100%

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was established by the TCRS Board of Trustees as 7.5 percent based on a blending of the three factors described above.

#### G. PENSIONS - Continued

#### **Discount Rate**

Teachers Legacy Pension Plan and Teachers Retirement Plan

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.5 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current rate and that contributions from all the LEAs will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rate pursuant to an actuarial valuation in accordance with the funding policy of the TCRS Board of Trustees and as required to be paid by state statute. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

#### II. Metro Plan

(A) General Information - Metro Plan

#### <u>Plan Description</u>

The Metro Plan is established under the authority of the Metropolitan Charter, Article XIII. Approval of the Metropolitan Council is required to establish and amend benefit provisions. Article XIII also required that the pension plan be actuarially sound. Administrative costs of the plan are financed through plan assets. The plan is managed by the Metropolitan Employee Benefit Board, an independent board, created by the Metropolitan Charter. The Board is composed of ten members as follows: Finance Director, Human Resources Director, three members appointed by the Mayor, and five members selected by the employees and retirees of the Metropolitan Government. Additional information about the Metro Plan can be found in the publically available comprehensive annual financial report of the Metropolitan Government. That report may be obtained at <a href="https://www.nashville.gov">www.nashville.gov</a>.

#### G. PENSIONS - Continued

#### Benefits Provided

As of July 1, 1995, Division B of the Metro Plan was established for all non-certificated employees of the Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools, including charter schools, and all other Metro Government employees. Employees with an effective hire date of July 1, 1995, or later are only eligible to participate in Division B of the Metro Plan.

Normal retirement for the School's employees participating in the Metro Plan occurs at the unreduced retirement age which is the earlier of (a) the date when the employee's age plus the completed years of credited service equals 85, but not before age 60; or (b) the date when the employee reaches age 65 and completes 5 years of credited employee service. The lifetime monthly benefit is calculated as 1/12 of the sum of 1.75 percent of average earnings based upon the previous 60 consecutive months of credit service which produce the highest earnings. Benefits fully vest on completing 5 years of service for employees employed on or between October 1, 2001, and December 31, 2012, who vest before leaving employment. Benefits fully vest on completing 10 years of service for employees and non-vested employees hired or rehired on or after January 1, 2013. An early retirement option, with reduced benefits, is available for retired employees if the termination occurs prior to the eligibility under normal retirement but after age 50 and after the completion of 10 years of credited employee service.

All assets of the Metropolitan Employees' Benefit Trust Fund may legally be used to pay benefit to any plan members or beneficiaries.

#### Contributions

The funding policy is to provide for periodic contributions at actuarially determined rates that are designed to accumulate sufficient assets to pay benefits when due. All funding is provided under an actuarially recommended employee contribution rate of 12.340 percent for the non-certificate employees of the Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools, including charter schools, and all other Metropolitan Government Employees. Contributions to the plan for the year ended June 30, 2017 were \$50,132.

#### G. PENSIONS - Continued

#### (B) Pension Liabilities - Metro Plan

#### **Pension Liability**

The School reported a liability of \$27,791 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total pension liability used to calculated the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2016. The School's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School's employee contributions to the pension plan during the year ended June 30, 2017, relative to all contributions for 2017. At the June 30, 2017, measurement date, the School's proportionate share was 0.0679 percent.

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2016. Actuarial assumptions are summarized below:

Inflation 2.6 percent Salary increases 4.0 percent

Investment rate of return 7.5 percent, net of pension plan investment

expenses, including inflation

Cost-of living adjustment 1.5 percent

Mortality rates were based on the 110% RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for Males and Females, as determined by the period actuarial experience study. The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2016, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period 2007 to 2012.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class from historical returns and consensus expectations of future returns. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Metro Plan's target asset allocation are summaries in the following table:

#### G. <u>PENSIONS</u> - Continued

Asset Class	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	Target Allocation
U.S. equity	6.60%	24.0%
International equity	10.10%	16.0%
Equity hedge	5.80%	10.0%
Core plus fixed income	1.80%	20.0%
Fixed income alternatives	5.60%	10.0%
Real estate	6.10%	10.0%
Private equity	7.60%	10.0%
	•	100%

#### Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.5 percent. Based on the Metro Plan assumptions and funding policy, the fiduciary net position for the plan was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

I. Pension Liabilities (Assets), Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions - Pension Plans

#### Pension Liabilities (Assets)

The School reports the following net pension liability (asset) as of June 30, 2017:

TCRS Legacy Plan	\$ 23,762
Metro Plan	27,791
Net pension liability	<u>\$ 51,553</u>
TCRS Retirement Plan	<u>\$(15,928)</u>
Net pension asset	<u>\$(15,928)</u>

#### G. <u>PENSIONS</u> - Continued

Sensitivity of the proportionate share of net pension liability (asset) to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) calculated using the discount rate of 7.5 percent, as well as what the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.5 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.5 percent) than the current rate:

	Current	
1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase
(6.5)%	(7.5)%	(8.5)%
\$130,488	\$ 23,762	\$( 64,643)
7,522	(15,928)	( 33,206)
277,661	27,791	(197,211)
\$415,671	\$ 35,62 <u>5</u>	\$(295,060)
	\$130,488 7,522	1% Decrease Discount Rate (6.5)%

#### Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the Pension Plans' respective fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued TCRS and Metropolitan Government financial reports.

#### Pension Expense

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the School recognized pension expense (negative pension expense) as follows:

TCRS Legacy Plan	\$(17,902)
TCRS Retirement Plan	(17,637)
Metro Plan	26,304
Negative pension expense	<u>\$( 9,235</u> )

#### G. <u>PENSIONS</u> - Continued

#### <u>Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>

As of June 30, 2017, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows	Deferred Inflows
	of Resource	of Resources
Differences between expected and		
actual experience		
TCRS Legacy Plan	\$ 1,000	\$ 28,769
TCRS Retirement Plan	1,543	1,836
Metro Plan	-	44,620
Net difference between projected		
and actual earnings on pension plan		
investments		
TCRS Legacy Plan	26,532	-
TCRS Retirement Plan	2,608	-
Metro Plan	-	19,872
Changes in proportion of Net Pension		
Liability (Asset)		
TCRS Legacy Plan	47,585	58,538
TCRS Retirement Plan	727	-
Metro Plan	31,290	-
Contributions subsequent to the		
measurement date of June 30, 2016		
for TCRS Plans	65,038	<u>N/A</u>
Totals	<u>\$176,323</u>	<u>\$153,635</u>

The School's employer contributions of \$65,038 reported as pension related deferred outflows of resources, subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as an decrease in net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

#### G. <u>PENSIONS</u> - Continued

#### Year Ending June 30,

2018	\$( 4,445)
2019	(4,445)
2020	( 901)
2021	(32,429)
2022	( 6,297)
Thereafter	6,167
	\$(42.250)

<u>\$(42,350</u>)

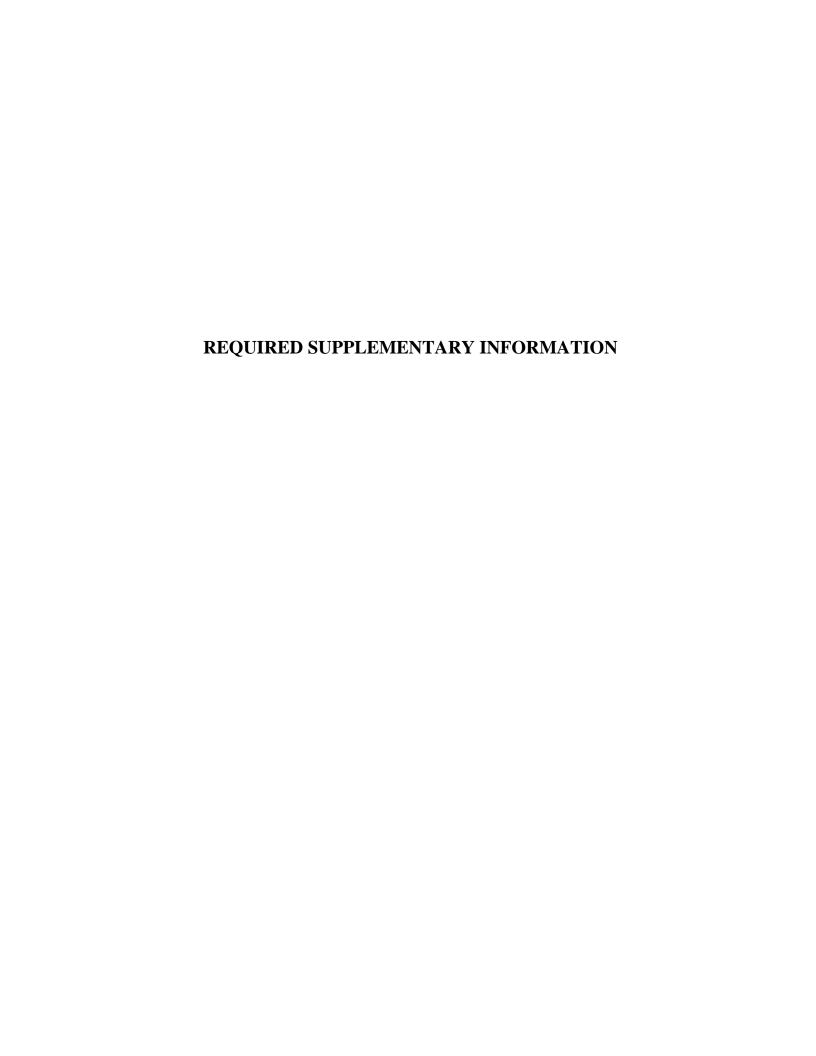
In the table above, positive amounts will increase pension expense, while negative amounts will decrease pension expense.

#### Payable to the Pension Plans

At June 30, 2017, the School reported a payable of \$30,968 for the outstanding amount of required contributions owed to the TCRS pension plans.

#### H. <u>SUBSEQUENT EVENTS</u>

The School has evaluated subsequent events through December 18, 2017, the date at which the financial statements were available for issuance, and has determined that except for the high school lease agreement in Note E, there are no additional subsequent events requiring disclosure.



# INTREPID COLLEGE PREP REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF THE PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30,

Teachers Legacy Plan of TCRS		2015		2016		2017
Measurement date	Ju	ine 30, 2014	Ju	ne 30, 2015	Ju	ne 30, 2016
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset)		0.006216%		0.004206%		0.003802%
Proportionate share of the of the net pension liability (asset)	\$	(1,010)	\$	1,722	\$	23,762
Covered payroll	\$	171,106	\$	157,441	\$	137,261
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll		-0.59%		1.09%		17.31%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		100.08%		99.81%		97.14%
Teachers Retirement Plan of TCRS		2015 (1)		2016		2017
Teachers Retirement Plan of TCRS  Measurement date		2015 (1)	Ju	2016 ne 30, 2015	Ju	2017 ne 30, 2016
		2015 (1)	Ju		Ju	
Measurement date		2015 (1)		ne 30, 2015	Ju \$	ne 30, 2016
Measurement date  Proportion of the net pension liability (asset)		2015 (1)		ne 30, 2015 0.182686%		ne 30, 2016 0.153003%
Measurement date  Proportion of the net pension liability (asset)  Proportionate share of the of the net pension liability (asset)		2015 (1)	\$	ne 30, 2015 0.182686% (7,349)	\$	ne 30, 2016 0.153003% (15,928)

The amounts presented in this schedule were determined as of the measurement date.

This is a 10-year schedule. However, the information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively. Years will be added to this schedule in future fiscal years until 10 years of information is available.

(1) Information is not applicable for 2015 in this schedule for the Teachers Retirement Plan of TCRS as the measurement date was June 30, 2014, and the Teachers Retirement Plan did not commence until July 1, 2014.

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# INTREPID COLLEGE PREP REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF THE PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30,

Metro Plan		2015		2016		2017
Measurement date	Jun	ne 30, 2015	Jun	e 30, 2016	Jui	ne 30, 2017
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset)		0.03255%		0.0338%		0.0679%
Proportionate share of the of the net pension liability (asset)	\$	22,428	\$	74,848	\$	27,791
Covered payroll	\$	170,045	\$	186,821	\$	406,256
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll		13.19%		40.06%		6.84%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		97.57%		92.39%		98.64%

The amounts presented in this schedule were determined as of the measurement date.

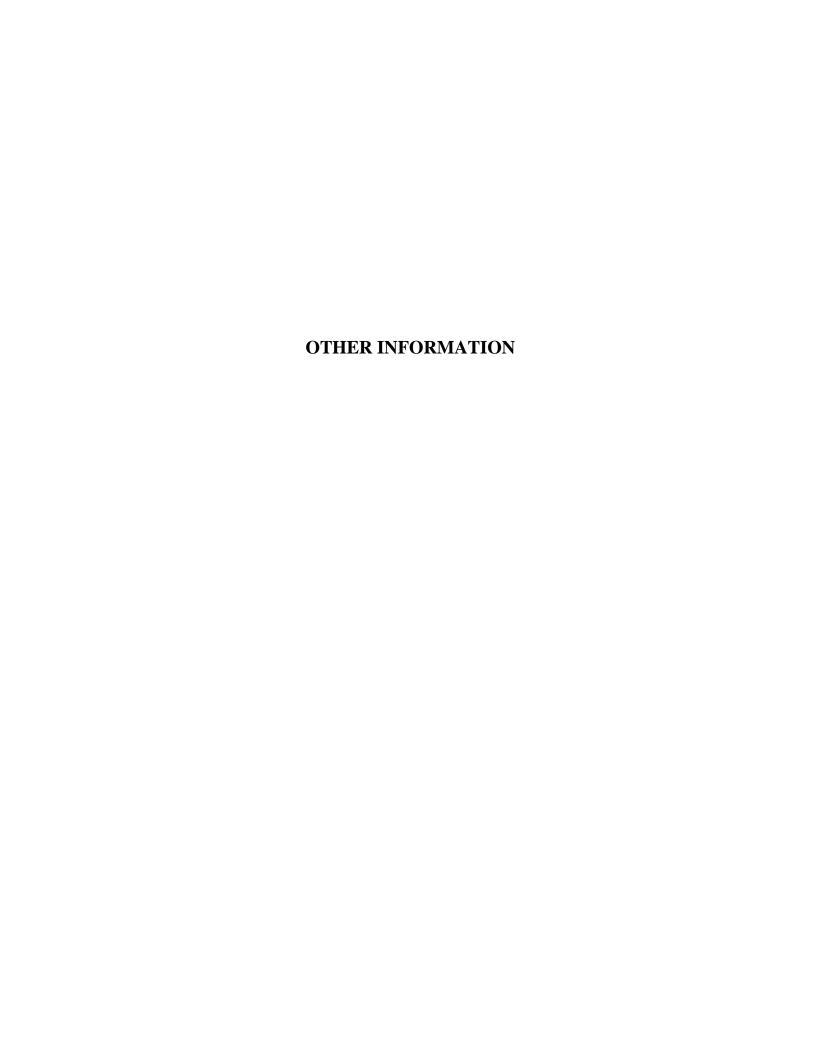
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#### INTREPID COLLEGE PREP REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,

Teachers Legacy Pension Plan of TCRS		2014	 2015	 2016	 2017
Actuarial Determined Contributions (ADC)	\$	21,703	\$ 14,233	\$ 12,408	\$ 20,699
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution		21,703	 14,233	 12,408	 20,699
Contribution defiency (excess)	\$		\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
Covered payroll	\$	246,142	\$ 157,445	\$ 137,257	\$ 228,971
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		8.88%	9.04%	9.04%	9.04%
Teachers Retirement Plan of TCRS		2014	 2015	 2016	 2017
Actuarial Determined Contributions (ADC)		N/A	\$ 9,489	\$ 16,852	\$ 44,339
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution			 15,183	 26,929	 44,339
Contribution defiency (excess)			\$ (5,694)	\$ (10,077)	\$ <u>-</u>
Covered payroll			\$ 379,575	\$ 673,230	\$ 1,108,475
Contributions as a percentage of covered payrol	1		4.00%	4.00%	4.00%
Metro Plan		2014	 2015	2016	2017
Actuarial Determined Contributions (ADC)	\$	12,527	\$ 30,586	\$ 28,976	\$ 50,132
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution		12,527	 30,586	 28,976	 50,132
Contribution defiency (excess)	\$		\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
Covered payroll	\$	73,185	\$ 170,045	\$ 186,821	\$ 406,256
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		17.117%	17.987%	15.510%	12.340%

This is a 10-year schedule. However, the information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively. Years will be added to this schedule in future fiscal years until 10 years of information is available.



#### INTREPID COLLEGE PREP SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Program Name/Grantor	CFDA <u>Number</u>	Contract Number	<u>Expenditures</u>
Federal Awards			
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE: Passed through Tennessee Department of Education			
Child Nutrition Cluster  National School Lunch Program School Breakfast Program  Total Child Nutrition Cluster  Total U.S. Department of Agriculture	10.555 10.553	N/A N/A	\$ 146,237 47,722 193,959 193,959
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: Passed through Tennessee Department of Education and Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools			
Title I, Part A Cluster Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	N/A	131,511
Special Education Cluster (IDEA) Special Education - Grants to States	84.027	N/A	41,379
Title III Emerging Immigrant Education Program	84.365	N/A	7,951
Title II, Part A Improving Teacher Quality State Grants Total U.S. Department of Education	84.367	N/A	6,534 187,375
Total Federal Awards			381,334
State Financial Assistance			
TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:			
Basic Education Program	N/A	N/A	72,000
Passed through Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools Basic Education Program	N/A	N/A	3,592,916
Total State Awards			3,664,916
Total Federal and State Awards			\$ 4,046,250

Note 1: The schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity and is presented in accordance with the requirements of Uniform Guidance and the State of Tennessee. The schedule is prepared using the accrual basis of accounting.

Note 2: The School passed-through \$-0- to subreceipients for the year ended June 30, 2017.

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# INTREPID COLLEGE PREP COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2017

		Total
	Restricted	Nonmajor
	Contributions	Governmental
	Fund	Funds
ASSETS		
Prepaids	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000
Total assets	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000
FUND BALANCES		
Nonspendable	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000
Total fund balances	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000

# INTREPID COLLEGE PREP COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

		Total
	Restricted	Nonmajor
	Contribution	Governmental
	Fund	Funds
REVENUES		
Contributions	\$ 188,000	\$ 188,000
Total revenues	188,000	188,000
EXPENDITURES		
Employee compensation	70,000	70,000
Capital outlay	100,000	100,000
Total expenditures	170,000	170,000
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	18,000	18,000
FUND BALANCES, June 30, 2016	<del>-</del>	<del>_</del>
FUND BALANCES, June 30, 2017	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000



Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over
Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in
Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Board of Directors Intrepid College Prep Nashville, Tennessee

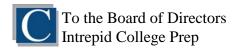
We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate fund information of Intrepid College Prep (the "School"), as of and for the period ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 18, 2017.

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

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

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

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



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

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

### **Purpose of this Report**

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

Nashville, Tennessee

Crosslin, PLLC

December 18, 2017

# INTREPID COLLEGE PREP SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None reported.

#### PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS

Finding Number Finding Title Status

2016-001 Capital Assets Corrected

(original finding #2014-001)