



Mater Academy Lakes Middle School
WL# 6033

(A Charter School under Mater Academy, Inc.)

Miami, Florida

Financial Statements And
Independent Auditors' Report

June 30, 2021

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17300 NW 87th Ave
Miami, FL 33015

2020-2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of
Mater Academy Lakes Middle School
Miami, Florida

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Mater Academy Lakes Middle School (the "School"), a charter school under Mater Academy, Inc., as of, and for the year ended June 30, 2021, 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 of America. 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 Mater Academy Lakes Middle School as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

As described in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present only the financial position of Mater Academy Lakes Middle School as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended, and is not intended to be a complete presentation of Mater Academy, Inc. These financial statements do not purport to and do not present fairly the financial position of Mater Academy, Inc. as of June 30, 2021 and its changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 14, 2021, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the 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.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4 through 8 and 29 through 30 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.



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida
September 14, 2021

Management's Discussion and Analysis
Mater Academy Lakes Middle School
(A charter school under Mater Academy, Inc.)
June 30, 2021

The corporate officers of Mater Academy Lakes Middle School have prepared this narrative overview and analysis of the school's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

Financial Highlights

1. The net position at June 30, 2021 was \$5,409,442.
2. At year-end, the School had current assets on hand of \$4,351,550.
3. The net position of the School increased by \$1,065,409 during the year.
4. The unassigned fund balance at year end was \$3,093,708.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the School's basic financial statements. The School's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2021 are presented in accordance with GASB Codification Section 2200. The financial statements have three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

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

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

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

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9 - 10 of this report.

Fund Financial Statements

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

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

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

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11 - 14 of this report.

Notes to Financial Statements

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

The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 15 - 28 of this report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a charter school's financial position. In the case of the School, assets exceeded liabilities by \$5,409,442 at the close of the fiscal year. A summary of the School's net position as of June 30, 2021 and 2020 follows:

	2021	2020
Cash	\$ 8,117	\$ 634,033
Investments	3,386,111	2,595,415
Prepaid expenses	93,002	35,423
Due from other agencies	864,320	88,014
Due from other divisions of Mater Academy, Inc., long term	630,000	630,000
Capital Assets, net	838,903	787,680
Total Assets	5,820,453	4,770,565
Deferred outflows of resources	-	-
Salaries and wages payable	333,824	255,392
Accounts payable	77,187	171,140
Total Liabilities	411,011	426,532
Deferred inflows of resources	-	-
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets and long term receivable	1,468,903	1,417,680
Unrestricted	3,940,539	2,926,353
Total Net Position	\$ 5,409,442	\$ 4,344,033

At the end of the fiscal year, the School can report continued positive balances in net position with a net increase for the year. The same situation held true for the prior fiscal year.

A summary and analysis of the School's revenues and expenses for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 follows:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
REVENUES		
Program Revenues		
Operating grants and contributions	\$ 1,076,169	\$ 154,130
Capital outlay funding	596,603	530,334
Lunch program	202,146	235,156
General Revenues		
Interest and other revenues	49,735	43,408
Local Sources (FTE and other non specific)	<u>6,181,437</u>	<u>6,039,505</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 8,106,090</u>	<u>\$ 7,002,533</u>
EXPENSES		
Instruction	\$ 3,384,727	\$ 3,553,167
Student support services	124,620	215,390
Instructional staff training	-	4,531
Board	50,129	47,188
General administration	-	33,430
School administration	694,896	621,007
Facilities acquisition and construction	21,602	21,602
Fiscal services	140,324	132,750
Food services	204,034	282,192
Central services	145,572	153,544
Operation of plant	2,173,340	1,913,634
Maintenance of plant	79,224	70,903
Administrative technology services	18,425	16,851
Community services	<u>3,788</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenses	<u>7,040,681</u>	<u>7,066,189</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	1,065,409	(63,656)
Net Position at Beginning of Year	<u>4,344,033</u>	<u>4,407,689</u>
Net Position at End of Year	<u>\$ 5,409,442</u>	<u>\$ 4,344,033</u>

The School's revenues increased by \$1,103,557 and expenses decreased by \$25,508 due to an increase in enrollment and Federal funding. The School had an increase in its net position of \$1,065,409 during the year.

Lease of Facility

The School leases a facility located at 17300 NW 87th Ave Miami, Florida 33015

Capital Improvements Requirements

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

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUND

As noted earlier, the School uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. In particular, the *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

Governmental Funds

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

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

At the end of the fiscal year, the School's governmental general fund reported ending fund balance of \$3,186,710. The fund balance unassigned and available for spending at the School's discretion is \$3,093,708. These funds will be available for the School's future ongoing operations.

Capital Assets

The School's investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2021 amounts to \$838,903 net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes building and improvements, motor vehicles, furniture, equipment, audio visual materials and textbooks. As of June 30, 2021, the School had no debt related to its capital assets.

Governmental Fund Budget Analysis and Highlights

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

	Governmental Fund		
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual
REVENUES			
Program Revenues			
State capital outlay funding	\$ 487,575	\$ 596,700	\$ 596,603
Federal sources	420,120	321,788	322,340
Lunch program	200,950	201,660	202,146
General Revenues			
Interest and other revenues	21,300	47,120	49,735
FTE nonspecific revenues	6,111,539	6,176,529	6,181,437
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 7,241,484</u>	<u>\$ 7,343,797</u>	<u>\$ 7,352,261</u>
CURRENT EXPENDITURES			
Instruction	\$ 3,281,463	\$ 3,318,920	\$ 3,315,273
Student support services	175,246	128,176	124,620
Board	50,244	50,129	50,129
School administration	718,760	694,464	691,606
Fiscal services	132,975	140,325	140,324
Food services	206,155	205,774	204,034
Central services	150,975	146,325	144,515
Operation of plant	1,950,140	2,126,911	2,126,124
Maintenance of plant	131,747	79,632	77,739
Administrative technology services	15,560	18,788	18,425
Community services	4,000	4,000	3,788
Total Current Expenditures	<u>\$ 6,817,265</u>	<u>\$ 6,913,444</u>	<u>\$ 6,896,577</u>

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

Requests for Information

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

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Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2021

	Primary Government Governmental Activities
<u>Assets</u>	
Current assets:	
Cash	\$ 8,117
Investments	3,386,111
Prepaid expenses	93,002
Due from other agencies	864,320
	<u>4,351,550</u>
Capital assets, depreciable	1,537,530
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(698,627)</u>
	<u>838,903</u>
Due from Mater Academy, Inc., long term	<u>630,000</u>
Total Assets	<u>5,820,453</u>
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Current liabilities:	
Salaries and wages payable	333,824
Accounts payable	77,187
Total Liabilities	<u>411,011</u>
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Net Position</u>	
Net investment in capital assets and long term receivable	1,468,903
Unrestricted	<u>3,940,539</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 5,409,442</u>

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

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Statement of Activities

For the year ended June 30, 2021

Primary Government FUNCTIONS	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
Instruction	\$ 3,384,727	\$ -	\$ 874,445	\$ -	\$ (2,510,282)
Student support services	124,620	-	122,785	-	(1,835)
Board	50,129	-	-	-	(50,129)
School administration	694,896	-	30,118	-	(664,778)
Facilities acquisition and construction	21,602	-	-	-	(21,602)
Fiscal services	140,324	-	-	-	(140,324)
Food services	204,034	9,065	193,081	-	(1,888)
Central services	145,572	-	-	-	(145,572)
Operation of plant	2,173,340	-	1,533	596,603	(1,575,204)
Maintenance of plant	79,224	-	47,288	-	(31,936)
Administrative technology services	18,425	-	-	-	(18,425)
Community services	3,788	-	-	-	(3,788)
Total governmental activities	7,040,681	9,065	1,269,250	596,603	(5,165,763)

General revenues:

FTE and other nonspecific revenues	6,181,437
Investment earnings and other revenues	49,735

Change in net position 1,065,409

Net position, beginning 4,344,033
Net position, ending \$ 5,409,442

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

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Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
June 30, 2021

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<u>Assets</u>				
Cash	\$ 8,117	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,117
Investments	3,386,111	-	-	3,386,111
Due from other agencies	39,785	27,976	42,730	110,491
Due from fund	70,706	-	-	70,706
Prepaid expenses	93,002	-	-	93,002
Total Assets	<u>3,597,721</u>	<u>27,976</u>	<u>42,730</u>	<u>3,668,427</u>
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Salaries and wages payable	333,824	-	-	333,824
Accounts payable	77,187	-	-	77,187
Due to fund	-	27,976	42,730	70,706
Total Liabilities	<u>411,011</u>	<u>27,976</u>	<u>42,730</u>	<u>481,717</u>
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Fund balance</u>				
Nonspendable, not in spendable form	93,002	-	-	93,002
Unassigned	3,093,708	-	-	3,093,708
	<u>3,186,710</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,186,710</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 3,597,721</u>	<u>\$ 27,976</u>	<u>\$ 42,730</u>	<u>\$ 3,668,427</u>

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Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2021

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	\$ 3,186,710
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets of \$1,537,530 net of accumulated depreciation of \$698,627 used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the fund.	838,903
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Long term receivables in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.	630,000
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Receivables in governmental activities that are not collected within 60 days are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	<u>753,829</u>
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Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 5,409,442</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Mater Academy Lakes Middle School
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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2021

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:				
State capital outlay funding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 596,603	\$ 596,603
State passed through local	6,181,437	-	-	6,181,437
Federal sources	-	322,340	-	322,340
Lunch program	-	202,146	-	202,146
Other revenues	49,735	-	-	49,735
Total Revenues	6,231,172	524,486	596,603	7,352,261
Expenditures:				
Current				
Instruction	2,483,957	831,316	-	3,315,273
Student support services	1,835	122,785	-	124,620
Board	50,129	-	-	50,129
School administration	661,488	30,118	-	691,606
Fiscal services	140,324	-	-	140,324
Food services	-	204,034	-	204,034
Central services	144,515	-	-	144,515
Operation of plant	1,527,988	1,533	596,603	2,126,124
Maintenance of plant	30,451	47,288	-	77,739
Administrative technology services	18,425	-	-	18,425
Community services	3,788	-	-	3,788
Capital Outlay:				
Other capital outlay	152,198	43,129	-	195,327
Total Expenditures	5,215,098	1,280,203	596,603	7,091,904
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenditures	1,016,074	(755,717)	-	260,357
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in (out)	(755,717)	755,717	-	-
Change in long term advances to affiliates	-	-	-	-
Net change in fund balance	260,357	-	-	260,357
Fund Balance at beginning of year	2,926,353	-	-	2,926,353
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 3,186,710	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,186,710

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

Mater Academy Lakes Middle School
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Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

For the year ended June 30, 2021

Net Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	\$ 260,357
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays of \$195,327 differed from depreciation expense of \$144,104.	51,223
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Revenues are recognized using the full accrual basis of accounting in the government-wide statements. However, revenues are recognized when they are measurable and available in the governmental funds. These revenues did not meet the recognition criteria during the current year and, therefore, were not reported in the governmental funds.	<u>753,829</u>
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Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 1,065,409</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

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

The general operating authority of the School is contained in Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. The School operates under a charter granted by the sponsoring district, the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The current charter expires on June 30, 2031 and it can be renewed in accordance with law. A charter can also be terminated before its date of expiration for reasons set forth in the charter and Section 1002.33 of the Florida Statutes.

The School is located in Miami, Florida serving children from sixth through eighth grades and is funded by the District. These financial statements are for the year ended June 30, 2021, when on average 900 students were enrolled for the school year.

Basis of presentation

The School's accounting policies conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States as applicable to state and local governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

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

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

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-wide Financial Statements

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

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

Fund Financial Statements

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

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

Special Revenue Fund – accounts for specific revenues, such as federal funding, federal lunch program, and COVID-19 emergency relief funding that are legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the School are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The School's reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance*. The government-wide statements report using the economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

The School recognizes assets of non-exchange transactions in the period when the underlying transaction occurs, when an enforceable legal claim has arisen, or when all eligibility requirements are met. Revenues are recognized, on the modified accrual basis, when they are measurable and available. Non-exchange transactions occur when the school provides (or receives) value to (from) another party without receiving (or giving) equal or nearly equal value in return. Most donations are examples of non-exchange transactions. Revenues from grants and donations are recognized on the accrual basis, in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements report using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. “Measurable” means the amount of the transaction can be determined. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) revenues are recognized when received. A one-year availability period is used for revenue recognition for all other governmental fund revenues. Charges for services and fees are recognized when cash is collected as amounts are not measurable. When grant terms provide that the expenditure of funds is the prime factor for determining eligibility for federal, state, and other grant funds, revenue is recognized at the time the expenditure is made. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for long-term debt principal and interest which are reported as expenditures in the year due.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

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

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, nonmarketable time deposits with maturities of three months or less when purchased, and money market/savings accounts.

The School has not adopted a formal deposit and investment policy that limits the School’s allowable deposits or investments and address specific types of risk; however the School invests excess deposit funds in a government money market mutual fund.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

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

Inter-fund Transfers

Inter-fund receivables/payables (“due from/to”) are short-term balances that represent reimbursements between funds for payments made by one fund on behalf of another fund (See Note 8).

Due from Other Governments or Agencies

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

Prepaid Expenses

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

Capital Assets

The School’s property, plant and equipment with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical cost and comprehensively reported in the statement of net position in the government-wide financial statements. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair market value on the date donated. The School generally capitalizes assets with a cost of \$1,000 or more. Building improvements, additions and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the asset value or materially extend useful lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. When capital assets are disposed, the cost and applicable accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in operations as proceeds received. Estimated useful lives, in years, for depreciable assets are as follows:

Building and Improvements	10-20 Years
Furniture, Equipment, textbooks, motor vehicles & audiovisual materials	3-5 Years
Computer equipment and software	3 Years

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Compensated Absences

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

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

The School also provides certain days to be used for specific personal matters such as family death and jury duty. Because the use of such days is contingent upon those events taking place and such events are out of the control of both the employer and the employee, there is no accrual for such days.

Revenue Sources

Revenues for current operations are received from the State through the District pursuant to the funding provisions included in the School's charter. In accordance with the funding provisions of the charter and Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes, the School reports the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the District. Under the provisions of Section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, the District reports the number of the full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) for funding through the FEFP. Funding for the School is adjusted during the year to reflect the revised calculations by the FDOE under the FEFP and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students reported by the School during the designated full-time equivalent student survey periods. After review and verification of FTE reports and supporting documentation, the FDOE may adjust subsequent fiscal period allocations of FEFP funding for prior year errors disclosed by its review as well as to prevent statewide allocations from exceeding the amount authorized by the Legislature. Normally, such adjustments are treated as reductions of revenue in the year the adjustment is made.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

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

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

Net position and Fund balance classifications

Government-wide financial statements

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

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

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

Fund financial statements

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

- a) Nonspendable – includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Consists of fund balance associated with prepaid expenses. All nonspendable fund balances relate to assets not in spendable form.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

- b) Restricted – this classification includes fund balance category amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation. There are no restricted fund balances at year end.
- c) Committed - fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the School's Board of Directors. There are no committed fund balances at year end.
- d) Assigned - fund balance classification that is intended to be used by the School's management for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. There are no assigned fund balances at year end.
- e) Unassigned – portion of the fund balance that has not been restricted, committed or assigned for a specific purpose. This is the residual classification for the School's general fund.

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

Long –Term Debt

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

Income Taxes

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

Subsequent Events

In accordance with GASB Codification Section 2250.106, the School has evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through September 14, 2021, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Pronouncements Issued But Not Yet Effective

GASB has issued GASB Statement No. 87 *Leases*, effective fiscal year 2022, that will affect the future financial position, results of operations, or financial presentation of the School upon implementation. The School is currently evaluating the effect that implementation of the new standard will have on its financial statements.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Use of Estimates

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

Note 2 – Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Deposits

The School maintains its cash and cash equivalents in two financial institutions.

Deposits at FDIC-insured institutions are insured up to \$250,000 per depositor, per financial institution. The School is a charter school under Mater Academy, Inc., which also operates various other charter schools. All bank accounts are opened under the account ownership of Mater Academy, Inc., therefore, bank balances at times may potentially be in excess of FDIC coverage. As of June 30, 2021, bank balances in potential excess of FDIC coverage was approximately \$748,752.

Investments

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

At June 30, 2021, the School had \$3,080,000 invested in a governmental money market mutual fund that is exempt from GASB 72 fair value hierarchy disclosures. The governmental money market mutual fund values its portfolio securities at amortized cost which approximates fair value. The government money market mutual fund primarily invests in cash, high quality, short-term U.S. government securities and/or repurchase agreements that are collateralized fully by government securities that have been valued by the fund as Level 2. As of June 30, 2021, maturities of the fund's portfolio holdings are approximately 79% within 30 days.

Note 2 – Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued)

Credit Risk

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

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a failure of a depository financial institution or counterparty that is in possession of investment or collateral securities, the School will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, the School will not be able to recover the value of investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At June 30, 2021, all of the School's investments in government money market mutual funds were held in a separate account and designated as assets of the School.

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

Note 3 –Capital Assets

The following schedule provides a summary of changes in capital assets, acquired substantially with public funds, for the year ended June 30, 2021:

	Balance 07/01/20	Additions	Retirements/ Reclassifications	Balance 06/30/21
Capital Assets:				
Buildings and improvements	\$ 1,054,428	\$ 28,779	\$ -	\$ 1,083,207
Audio visual materials	23,101	159,405	(3,595)	178,911
Motor vehicles	10,260	-	-	10,260
Furniture, equipment and textbooks	355,172	7,143	(97,163)	265,152
Total Capital Assets	\$ 1,442,961	\$ 195,327	\$ (100,758)	\$ 1,537,530
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings and improvements	\$ (401,843)	\$ (50,185)	\$ -	\$ (452,028)
Audio visual materials	(12,271)	(31,771)	3,595	(40,447)
Motor vehicles	(7,934)	(1,676)	-	(9,610)
Furniture, equipment and textbooks	(233,233)	(60,472)	97,163	(196,542)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	\$ (655,281)	\$ (144,104)	\$ 100,758	\$ (698,627)
Capital Assets, net	\$ 787,680	\$ 51,223	\$ -	\$ 838,903

Note 3 –Capital Assets (continued)

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, depreciation expense is allocated in the Statement of Activities by function as follows:

Instruction	\$	69,454
School administration		3,290
Facilities acquisition		21,602
Central services		1,057
Operation of plant		47,216
Maintenance of plant		1,485
Total Depreciation Expense	\$	<u>144,104</u>

Note 4 – Education Service and Support Provider

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

The agreement is with Mater Academy, Inc. for a period of five years, through June 30, 2022, and unless terminated by the board shall be renewed along with any renewals to the charter agreement. During the year ended June 30, 2021, the School incurred \$420,975 in fees.

Note 5 – Transactions with other divisions of Mater Academy, Inc.

The School's facility is shared with Mater Academy Lakes High School (a charter school under Mater Academy, Inc.). Management allocates a proportionate share of leases, salaries, lunch receipts, food and supplies, and other expenses to each school individually based on student enrollment and usage of facilities and staff.

Mater Academy, Inc. charges all its affiliated schools an assessment for shared corporate costs and accreditation expenses. Mater Academy Lakes Middle School paid Mater Academy, Inc. \$140,325 in connection with these charges during the year.

Note 5 – Transactions with other divisions of Mater Academy, Inc. (continued)

The School made long term, non-interest bearing advances to Mater Academy, Inc. for site development. The following schedule provides a summary of changes in long-term receivables for the year ended June 30, 2021:

	Balance 07/01/20	Additions	Deletions	Balance 06/30/21
Due from Mater Academy, Inc.	\$ 630,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 630,000
Total Long Term Receivables	<u>\$ 630,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 630,000</u>

Note 6 – Commitments, Contingencies and Concentrations

On October 9, 2009, the School entered into a lease and security agreement, as amended, with Galloway Lake, LLC. The agreement is based on 55,731 square feet facility including all ancillary facilities, outdoor areas, and other improvements. The landlord is an affiliate of the School's education service and support provider (See Note 4). This facility is shared with Mater Academy Lakes High School (a charter school under Mater Academy, Inc.).

Initial fixed annual payments under this agreement were approximately \$1,444,218 adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) plus additional property costs including repairs, maintenance and insurance. The agreement continues through June 30, 2035 with an option to renew for two additional five-year terms. Under the agreement, the School must meet certain covenants and requirements, including a "Lease Payment Coverage Ratio" of not less than 1.10 to 1.00.

On March 22, 2013, Mater Academy, Inc. entered into phase III of the lease with Galloway Lake II, LLC as landlord. This lease is for a new building facility totaling 42,209 square feet and is shared by Mater Lakes Middle school and Mater Lakes High School. Initial fixed rent under this agreement was approximately \$995,621. In addition, construction of the gym facility was completed during 2021 which resulted in an additional annual charge of approximately \$603,000. The initial fixed rent shall be adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) plus additional property costs including repairs, maintenance, and insurance.

Note 6 – Commitments, Contingencies and Concentrations (continued)

Lease payments are allocated among the two schools based on enrollment and usage of facility. The allocation used for 2021, was approximately 56% for Mater Academy Lakes High School and 44% for the School.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, rent expense totaled \$1,374,734.

Future minimum payments for the full leases, (to be shared with Mater Academy Lakes High School) are approximately as follows:

<u>Year</u>		
2022	\$	3,416,352
2023	\$	3,416,352
2024	\$	3,416,352
2025	\$	3,416,352
2026	\$	3,416,352
2027-2031	\$	17,081,760 (Total for five year period)
2032-2035	\$	13,665,408 (Total for four year period)

Note 6 – Commitments, Contingencies and Concentrations (continued)

Contingencies and Concentrations

The School receives substantially all of its funding from the State through the District under the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP), which is based in part on a computation of the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students attending different instructional programs.

The accuracy of FTE student data submitted by individual schools and used in the FEFP computations is subject to audit by the state and, if found to be in error, could result in refunds to the state or in decreases to future funding allocations. Additionally, the School participates in a number of federal, state and local grants which are subject to financial and compliance audits. It is the opinion of management that the amount of revenue, if any, which may be remitted back to the state due to errors in the FTE student data or the amount of grant expenditures which may be disallowed by grantor agencies would not be material to the financial position of the School.

Pursuant to the Charter School contract with the School District, the District withholds an administrative fee of 2% of the qualifying revenues of the School. For the year ended June 30, 2021, administrative fees withheld by the School District totaled \$34,541.

Note 7 – Risk Management

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

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

Note 8 - Interfund Transfers and Balances

Interfund transfers are as follows:

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Non Major Governmental Funds
To fund lunch deficit	\$ (1,888)	\$ 1,888	\$ -
To fund ESSER federal expenditures for which revenues were not available	(563,901)	563,901	-
To fund GEER federal expenditures for which revenues were not available	(189,928)	189,928	-
Total Transfers, net	<u>\$ (755,717)</u>	<u>\$ 755,717</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Due from/(Due to) fund balances are as follows:

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Non Major Governmental Funds
Due to General Fund from capital projects fund for capital outlay	\$ 42,730	\$ -	\$ (42,730)
Due to general fund from special revenue fund for federal funds	27,976	(27,976)	-
Total Due from/(Due to)	<u>\$ 70,706</u>	<u>\$ (27,976)</u>	<u>\$ (42,730)</u>

Note 9 - Defined Contribution Retirement Plan

The School's personnel, which are leased through ADP TotalSource Group, Inc., are eligible to participate in a defined contribution 401(k) plan sponsored by the leasing company, covering employees who meet certain age and tenure requirements. Under the ADP TotalSource Retirement Savings Plan (the "Plan"), the School matches 100% of the employee's contribution up to 4% of the employee's compensation. The School contributed to the Plan \$64,923 for the year ended June 30, 2021. The School does not exercise any control or fiduciary responsibility over the Plans' assets, which are administered by Voya.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Mater Academy Lakes Middle School
(A charter school under Mater Academy, Inc.)

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
For the year ended June 30, 2021

	General Fund		
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual
REVENUES			
State passed through local	\$ 6,111,539	\$ 6,176,529	\$ 6,181,437
Other local sources	21,300	47,120	49,735
Total Revenues	6,132,839	6,223,649	6,231,172
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
Instruction	2,505,220	2,486,420	2,483,957
Student support services	49,835	4,776	1,835
Board	50,244	50,129	50,129
School administration	685,772	662,964	661,488
Fiscal services	132,975	140,325	140,324
Central services	150,975	146,325	144,515
Operation of plant	1,460,065	1,528,211	1,527,988
Maintenance of plant	82,635	31,000	30,451
Administrative technology services	15,560	18,788	18,425
Community services	4,000	4,000	3,788
Total Current Expenditures	5,137,281	5,072,938	5,062,900
Excess of Revenues			
Over Current Expenditures	995,558	1,150,711	1,168,272
Capital Outlay	153,200	153,200	152,198
Total Expenditures	5,290,481	5,226,138	5,215,098
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over Expenditures	842,358	997,511	1,016,074
Other financing sources (uses):			
Transfers in (out)	(617,080)	(764,478)	(755,717)
Net change in fund balance	225,278	233,033	260,357
Fund Balance at beginning of year	2,926,353	2,926,353	2,926,353
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 3,151,631	\$ 3,159,386	\$ 3,186,710

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

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

Mater Academy Lakes Middle School
(A charter school under Mater Academy, Inc.)

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
For the year ended June 30, 2021

	Special Revenue Fund		
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual
REVENUES			
Federal sources	\$ 420,120	\$ 321,788	\$ 322,340
Lunch program	200,950	201,660	202,146
Total Revenues	621,070	523,448	524,486
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
Instruction	776,243	832,500	831,316
Student support services	125,411	123,400	122,785
School administration	32,988	31,500	30,118
Food services	206,155	205,774	204,034
Operation of plant	2,500	2,000	1,533
Maintenance of plant	49,112	48,632	47,288
Total Current Expenditures	1,192,409	1,243,806	1,237,074
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over Current Expenditures	(571,339)	(720,358)	(712,588)
Capital Outlay	45,741	44,120	43,129
Total Expenditures	1,238,150	1,287,926	1,280,203
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over Expenditures	(617,080)	(764,478)	(755,717)
Other financing sources (uses)			
Transfers in (out)	617,080	764,478	755,717
Net change in fund balance	-	-	-
Fund Balance at beginning of year	-	-	-
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

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



INDEPENDENT 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 of
Mater Academy Lakes Middle School
Miami, Florida

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 remaining fund information of Mater Academy Lakes Middle School (the "School") as of, and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 14, 2021.

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 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 first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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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*.

We issued a separate management letter dated September 14, 2021 pursuant to Chapter 10.850, Rules of the Auditor General.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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.



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida
September 14, 2021



MANAGEMENT LETTER

To the Board of Directors of
Mater Academy Lakes Middle School
Miami, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Mater Academy Lakes Middle School as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 and have issued our report thereon dated September 14, 2021.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in those reports and schedules, which are dated September 14, 2021, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.854(1)(e)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings in the preceding annual financial report.

Official Title

Section 10.854.(1)(e)5., Rules of the Auditor General, requires the name or official title of the entity and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education be disclosed in this management letter. The official title and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education of the entity is Mater Academy Lakes Middle School, 6033.

Financial Condition and Management

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

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

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

Transparency

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

Additional Matters

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

Purpose of this Letter

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



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Coral Gables, Florida
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