

Mater Preparatory Academy W/L# 3003

Miami, Florida

(A charter school under Mater Academy, Inc.)

Financial Statements and Independent Auditors' Report June 30, 2021

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Mater Preparatory Academy Miami, Florida

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Mater Preparatory Academy (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.

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#### **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 Preparatory Academy 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 Preparatory Academy 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.

#### **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 28 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.

#### 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.

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida September 14, 2021

## Management's Discussion and Analysis

Mater Preparatory Academy (A Charter School Under Mater Academy, Inc.) June 30, 2021

The corporate officers of Mater Preparatory Academy 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 of the School at June 30, 2021 was \$712,612.
- 2. At year-end, the School had current assets on hand of \$881,178.
- 3. The net position of the School increased by \$480,771 during the year.
- 4. The unassigned fund balance at year end was \$237,345.

#### **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 outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. The difference between the four is reported as *net position*. Over time increases or decreases in net position may serve as an indicator of whether the financial position of the School is improving or deteriorating.

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

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 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 15-27 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 \$712,612 at the close of the fiscal year.

5 1	2021	2020
Cash	\$ 56,717	\$ 6,648
Investments	267,000	321,000
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	15,953	14,131
Due from other agencies	541,508	273,686
Due from other divisions of Mater Academy, Inc.	-	265,000
Capital Assets, net	423,251	495,050
Total Assets	1,304,429	1,375,515
Deferred outflows of resources	-	-
Accrued Liabilities	72,527	84,642
Accounts Payable	69,290	554,828
Due to other divisions of Mater Academy, Inc.	450,000	504,858
Total Liabilities	591,817	1,144,328
Deferred inflows of resources	-	-
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets	187,723	224,456
Unrestricted	524,889	6,631
Total Net Position	\$ 712,612	\$ 231,087

A summary of the School's net position as of June 30, 2021 and 2020 is as follows:

At the end of both fiscal years, the School is able to report positive balances in total net position.

REVENUES	 2021	 2020
Program Revenues		
Operating Grants and Contributions	\$ 767,101	\$ 461,591
Capital Grants and Contributions	242,825	183,641
Charges for services	15,387	1,506
General Revenues		
Local Sources (FTE and other non specific)	2,478,775	2,133,972
Other Revenues	85	10,003
Total Revenues	\$ 3,504,173	\$ 2,790,713
EXPENSES		
Instruction	\$ 1,532,622	\$ 1,288,555
Student support services	523	-
Instructional staff training	-	2,325
Board	20,188	17,869
School administration	370,791	354,019
Fiscal services	49,350	41,475
Food services	169,797	123,337
Central services	77,841	70,097
Operation of plant	656,905	532,932
Maintenance of plant	133,088	129,017
Community Services	 12,297	 -
Total Expenses	 3,023,402	 2,559,626
Increase in Net Position	 480,771	231,087
Net Position at Beginning of Year, as restated	231,841	-
Net Position at End of Year	\$ 712,612	\$ 231,087

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

The School's revenues and expenses increased by \$713,460 and \$463,776, respectively during the year. The School had an increase in its net position of \$480,771 for the year.

## **Capital Improvement Requirements**

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

## **School Location**

For 2020-2021, the school operated from its facility located at 601 NW 12 Avenue in Miami, Florida.

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUND

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

## **Governmental Funds**

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

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

At the end of the fiscal year, the School's governmental general fund reported ending fund balance of \$253,298. The fund balance unassigned and available for spending at the School's discretion is \$237,345. 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 \$ 423,251 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes building improvements, furniture, fixtures, equipment, computers and software. The School has outstanding debt associated to capital assets.

## **Governmental Fund Budget Analysis and Highlights**

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

	Governmental Funds			
	Original			
	Budget	Final Budget	Actual	
REVENUES				
Program Revenues				
Capital grants and contributions	\$ 167,250	\$ 242,825	\$ 242,825	
Federal sources	300,200	284,442	285,024	
Charges for services and other revenue	-	15,100	15,387	
General Revenues				
FTE and other nonspecific revenues	2,421,905	2,478,179	2,478,775	
Charges and other revenues	4,400		85	
Total Revenues	2,893,755	3,020,546	3,022,096	
CURRENT EXPENDITURES				
Instruction	1,093,990	1,406,210	1,404,684	
Student support services	5,000	900	523	
Board	24,544	21,063	20,188	
School administration	390,666	372,437	370,791	
Fiscal services	50,175	49,350	49,350	
Food services	127,200	170,894	169,797	
Central services	78,155	77,930	77,841	
Operation of plant	657,896	656,044	654,591	
Maintenance of plant	143,844	134,877	133,088	
Community Services	14,565	13,565	12,297	
Total Current Expenditures	\$ 2,600,600	\$ 2,916,835	\$ 2,893,150	

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.

# Statement of Net Position June 30, 2021

Assets	Primary Government Governmental Activities	
Current assets: Cash Investments Prepaid expenses and other current assets Due from other agencies	\$ 56,717 267,000 15,953 541,508 881,178	
Capital assets, depreciable Less: accumulated depreciation	617,883 (194,632) 423,251	
Total Assets	1,304,429	
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
<u>Liabilities</u> Current liabilities: Salaries and wages payable Accounts payable	72,527 69,290 141,817	
Due to other divisions of Mater Academy, Inc. Total Liabilities	450,000 591,817	
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
<u>Net Position</u> Net investment in capital assets Unrestricted Total Net Position	187,723 524,889 \$ 712,612	

## Statement of Activities For the year ended June 30, 2021

		Charges for	Operating Grants and	Capital Grants and	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes
Primary Government	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	in Net Position
Governmental activities:					
Instruction	\$ 1,532,622	\$-	\$ 513,300	\$ -	\$ (1,019,322)
Student support services	523	-	-	-	(523)
Board	20,188	-	-	-	(20,188)
School administration	370,791	-	14,526	-	(356,265)
Fiscal services	49,350	-	-	-	(49,350)
Food services	169,797	1,730	120,194	-	(47,873)
Central services	77,841	-	-	-	(77,841)
Operation of plant	656,905	-	50,128	242,825	(363,952)
Maintenance of plant	133,088	-	68,953	-	(64,135)
Community Services	12,297	13,657	-	-	1,360
Total governmental activities	3,023,402	15,387	767,101	242,825	(1,998,089)

General revenues:	
FTE and other nonspecific revenues	2,478,775
Interest and other revenue	 85
Change in net position	480,771
Net position, beginning, as restated	 231,841
Net position, ending	\$ 712,612

Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds June 30, 2021

		Special	Capital Projects	Total
		Revenue		Governmental
	General Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds
Assets				
Cash	\$ 52,731	\$ 3,986	\$ -	\$ 56,717
Investments	267,000	-	-	267,000
Due from other agencies	12,885	14,175	32,371	59,431
Due from fund	46,546	-	-	46,546
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	15,953	-	-	15,953
Total Assets	395,115	18,161	32,371	445,647
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	-	-	-	-
Liabilities				
Salaries and wages payable	72,527	-	-	72,527
Accounts payable	69,290	-	-	69,290
Due to fund	-	14,175	32,371	46,546
Total Liabilities	141,817	14,175	32,371	188,363
Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Deletted Hillows of Resources				
Fund balance				
Nonspendable, not in spendable form	15,953	-	-	15,953
Assigned	-	3,986	-	3,986
Unassigned	237,345	-	-	237,345
-	253,298	3,986		257,284
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of				
Resources and Fund Balance	\$ 395,115	\$ 18,161	\$ 32,371	\$ 445,647

The accompanying notes are an integral

part of this financial statement.

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

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	\$ 257,284
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets of \$617,883 net of accumulated depreciation of \$194,632 used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the fund.	423,251
Receivables in governmental activities that are not available are not current financial resources, and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.	482,077
Long term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, is not reported in the governmental funds.	 (450,000)
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$ 712,612

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

		Special	Capital	Total
		Revenue		Governmental
	General Fund	Fund	Projects Fund	Funds
Revenues:				
State capital outlay funding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 242,825	\$ 242,825
State passed through local	2,478,775	-	-	2,478,775
Federal sources	-	285,024	-	285,024
Charges for services and other revenue	85	15,387		15,472
Total Revenues	2,478,860	300,411	242,825	3,022,096
Expenditures:				
Current				
Instruction	916,862	487,822	-	1,404,684
Student support services	523	-	-	523
Board	20,188	-	-	20,188
School administration	356,265	14,526	-	370,791
Fiscal services	49,350	-	-	49,350
Food services	-	169,797	-	169,797
Central services	77,841	-	-	77,841
Operation of plant	361,638	50,128	242,825	654,591
Maintenance of plant	64,135	68,953	-	133,088
Community Services	-	12,297	-	12,297
Capital Outlay:				
Other capital outlay	32,975	25,478		58,453
Total Expenditures	1,879,777	829,001	242,825	2,951,603
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenditures	599,083	(528,590)	-	70,493
Other financing sources (uses)				
Decrease in long term advances from Mater Academy, Inc.	(54,858)	-	-	(54,858)
Transfers in (out)	(531,822)	531,822		
Net fund balance of transferred charter operations				
Net change in fund balance	12,403	3,232	-	15,635
Fund Balance at beginning of year, as restated	240,895	754		241,649
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 253,298	\$ 3,986	\$-	\$ 257,284

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 \$ 15.635 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 \$58,453 differed from depreciation expense of \$130,252 (71,799)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 were not available at year end and therefore not reported in the governmental funds 482,077 The proceeds from debt issuance provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long term liabilities in the statement of net position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the long term funds, but the repayment reduces long term liabilities in the statement of net position. This is the amount by which repayment of \$0 differed from proceeds of \$54,858. 54,858 Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 480,771

#### Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Reporting Entity

Mater Preparatory Academy (the "School"), is a charter school sponsored by the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "District"). The School's charter is held by Mater Academy, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and 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 unit exists that would require inclusion in the School's financial statements.

The general operating authority of the School is contained in Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. The School operates under a charter granted by the sponsoring district, the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The current charter expires on June 30, 2024 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 for students from sixth through eighth grade. These financial statements are for the year ended June 30, 2021, when on average 328 students were enrolled for the school year.

## **Basis of Presentation**

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

#### Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

## Government-wide Financial Statements

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

The statement of activities reports the expenses of a given function offset by program revenues directly connected with the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expenses and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity.

Program revenues include: (1) charges for services, such as food service and student activity fees; (2) operating grants such as the National School Lunch Program, Federal grants, and other

#### Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

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 other non-major funds aggregated in a single column in the fund financial statements:

*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.

*Capital Projects Fund* – accounts for state and local capital outlay as authorized by Charter School Capital Outlay, Section 1013.62, Florida Statutes mainly for capital outlay and maintenance purposes.

*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. Also, accounts for resources of the School's Internal Fund, which is used to administer monies collected in connection with school, student athletics, class, and club activities.

## Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the School are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The School's reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance*.

The government-wide statements report using the economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

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

Governmental fund financial statements report using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting.

## Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

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.

## Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

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

In addition to liabilities, the statement of 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.

#### Cash and Investments

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

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

#### 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.

#### Due from Other Governments or Agencies

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

#### 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 cost of \$1,000 or more. Building improvements, additions and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the asset value or materially extend useful lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. When capital assets are sold or disposed of, the related cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in the governmentwide statements. Proceeds received from the sale or disposal of capital assets are recorded as Other Financing Sources in the governmental funds. Estimated useful lives, in years, for depreciable assets are as follows:

Improvements	5 Years
Furniture and equipment	5 Years
Textbooks	3 Years
Computer equipment and software	5 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 primarily 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 District. 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.

## 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.

## Net Position and Fund Balance Classification

#### *Government-wide financial statements*

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

- a) <u>Net investment in capital assets</u> consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition or improvement of those assets.
- b) <u>Restricted net position</u> 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) <u>Unrestricted net position</u> all other net position that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets".

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

## Fund financial statements

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

a) <u>Nonspendable</u> – includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not expected to be converted to cash or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Consists of fund balance associated with inventories and prepaid expenses.

## Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

- b) <u>Restricted</u> 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) <u>Committed</u> 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) <u>Assigned</u> fund balance classification that is intended to be used by the School's management for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. Assigned fund balances at year end pertain to the School's Internal Student Activities account.
- e) <u>Unassigned</u> 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 position. In the fund financial statements, government fund types report the face amount of the debt issued as other financing sources. Principal payments and issuance costs are reported as debt service expenditures.

## 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.

#### New Accounting Standard Adopted

In fiscal year 2021, the School adopted a new statement of financial accounting standard issued by Governmental Accounting Standards Board: Statement No. 84 *Fiduciary Activities*. See Note 10.

## 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)

#### 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.

#### 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 and Investments

## **Deposits**

The School maintains its cash 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 \$92,177.

## 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 \$490,000 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 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 and issued by Morgan Stanley.

*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			Balance
	07/01/20	Additions	Retirements	06/30/21
Capital Assets:				
Capital assets, depreciable:				
Computer equipment and software	\$ 282,882	\$ 32,974	\$ -	\$ 315,856
Furniture and equipment	276,548	25,479	-	302,027
Total Capital Assets	\$ 559,430	\$ 58,453	\$ -	\$ 617,883
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Computer equipment and software	\$ (21,841)	\$ (61,550)	\$ -	\$ (83,391)
Furniture and equipment	(42,539)	(68,702)		(111,241)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(64,380)	(130,252)	-	(194,632)
Capital Assets, net	\$ 495,050	\$ (71,799)	\$ -	\$ 423,251

#### 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	\$ 127,938
Operation of plant	2,314
Total Depreciation Expense	\$ 130,252

#### Note 4 – Education Service and Support Provider

Academica Dade, LLC, an educational 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. 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 \$148,050 in fees related to this agreement, of which approximately \$55,000 were included in accounts payable at year end.

## Note 5 – Transactions With Other Divisions of Mater Academy, Inc.

Mater Academy, Inc. charges all its affiliated schools an assessment for shared corporate costs and accreditation expenses. Mater Preparatory Academy paid Mater Academy, Inc. approximately \$49,350 in connection with these charges during the year.

In addition, the School has received long term, non-interest bearing advances from other divisions of Mater Academy, Inc. Changes in long term debt during the year are as follow:

	Balance 07/01/20	Additions	Repayments	Balance 06/30/21
Mater Academy, Inc Corporate account	\$ 504,858	\$ -	\$ (54,858)	\$ 450,000
Total Long Term Debt	\$ 504,858	\$ -	\$ (54,858)	\$ 450,000

## **Note 6 – Interfund Transfers**

Interfund transfers in governmental funds as of June 30, 2021 consist of the following:

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund
To fund deficits in the Federal National School Lunch program	\$ (47,873)	\$ 47,873	\$ -
To transfer assigned funds from the Internal Student Activities account	(1,872)	1,872	-
To fund CSP federal expenditures for which revenues were not available	(124,322)	124,322	-
To fund GEER federal expenditures for which revenues were not available	(149,120)	149,120	-
To fund ESSER federal expenditures for which revenues were not available	(208,635)	208,635	-
Total Transfers, net	\$(531,822)	\$ 531,822	\$ -
Due to General Fund from Capital Projects Fund for Capital Outlay	\$ 32.371	\$ -	\$ (32,371)
Due to General Fund from Special Revenue Fund for Title IV	14,175	(14,175)	-
Total Due from/(Due to) Funds	\$ 46,546	\$ (14,175)	\$ (32,371)

## Note 7 - Commitments, Contingencies, and Concentrations

#### Mater Academy Foundation, Inc. Sublease

On April 1, 2013, Mater Academy, Inc. (the subtenant) entered into a space sublease agreement with Mater Academy Foundation Inc., as sub landlord. Mater Academy Foundation, Inc. is the tenant under a master lease agreement with Miami School Group S3, LLC (the "Landlord"). Mater Academy Foundation, Inc. is a not-for-profit supporting organization of Mater Academy, Inc. under Section 509(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Landlord is an affiliate of the School's educational services provider (See Note 4).

The term of this sublease agreement continues through June 29, 2037 with an option to renew for two additional five-year terms (subject to the master lease agreement extension). Initial fixed annual rent payments under this agreement are approximately \$393,800 adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) plus additional property costs including repairs, maintenance and insurance.

#### Note 7 – Commitments, Contingencies, and Concentrations (continued)

For 2021, rent expense totaled \$395,682. Future minimum payments under the agreement are as follows:

Year		
2022	\$393,800	
2023	\$393,800	
2024	\$393,800	
2025	\$393,800	
2026	\$393,800	
2027-2031	\$1,969,000	total for five year period
2032-2036	\$1,969,000	total for five year period
2037	\$393,800	

## 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 receives various forms of federal, state and local funding which are subject to financial and compliance audits. It is the opinion of management that the amount of funding, if any, which may be remitted back to the state due to errors in the FTE student data or the amount of grant expenditures which may be disallowed by grantor agencies would not be material to the financial position of the School.

Pursuant to the Charter School contract with the School District, the District withholds an administrative fee of 5% of the qualifying revenues of the School. For the year ended June 30, 2021, administrative fees withheld by the School District totaled \$93,069.

## Note 8– 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"), for the 2020-2021 school year the School matched 100% of the employee's contribution up to 4% of the employee's compensation. The School contributed to the Plan \$13,650 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 Financial.

#### Note 9 – Risk Management

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

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

## Note 10 – Implementation of GASB 84

As of July 1, 2020, the School implemented GASB Statement No. 84. Fiduciary Activities. This Statement establishes new criteria for identifying fiduciary activities which, when met, require that activities be reported in a fiduciary fund in the basic financial statements. Items previously reported as part of the agency fund classification of the Fiduciary Fund statements were reviewed to evaluate if they met the new custodial funds criteria. The School identified the School's internal account as non-fiduciary and re-categorized them as assigned in the Special Revenue Fund. The government-wide net position and fund balances were restated as a result of the implementation of GASB Statement No. 84 as follows:

Fiscal Year June 30, 2020 Original	GASB Statement No.84	Fiscal Year June 30, 2021 (Restated)
\$ 240,895	\$ -	\$ 240,895
-	-	-
	754	754
\$ 240,895	\$ 754	\$ 241,649
\$ 231,087	\$ -	\$ 231,087
-	-	-
	754	754
\$ 231,087	\$ 754	\$ 231,841
	June 30, 2020 Original \$ 240,895 - \$ 240,895 \$ 240,895 \$ 231,087 - -	June 30, 2020 Statement   Original No.84   \$ 240,895 \$ - $   -$

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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

	General Fund					
	Orig	inal Budget	Fir	nal Budget	Actual	
REVENUES						
State passed through local	\$	2,421,905	\$	2,478,179	\$	2,478,775
Charges and other revenue		4,400		-		85
Total Revenues		2,426,305		2,478,179		2,478,860
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
Instruction		920,990		916,555		916,862
Student support services		5,000		900		523
Board		24,544		21,063		20,188
School Administration		373,696		356,549		356,265
Fiscal Services		50,175		49,350		49,350
Central Services		78,155		77,930		77,841
Operation of Plant		438,793		362,469		361,638
Maintenance of Plant		72,000		64,400		64,135
Total Current Expenditures		1,963,353		1,849,216		1,846,802
Excess of Revenues						
Over Current Expenditures		462,952		628,963		632,058
Capital Outlay		50,540		34,000		32,975
Total Expenditures		2,013,893		1,883,216		1,879,777
Excess (deficit) of Revenues Over Expenditures		412,412		594,963		599,083
Other financing sources (uses):						
Transfers in (out)		(170,732)		(539,187)		(531,822)
Decrease in long term advances from Mater Academy, Inc		-		(54,858)		(54,858)
Net change in fund balance		241,680		918		12,403
Fund Balance at beginning of year		240,895		240,895		240,895
Fund Balance at end of year	\$	482,575	\$	241,813	\$	253,298

#### 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.

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

	Original Budg		•	Revenue Fun al Budget	Actual		
REVENUES		<u> </u>					
Federal sources	\$	300,200	\$	284,442	\$	285,024	
Charges for services		-		15,100		15,387	
Total Revenues		300,200		299,542		300,411	
EXPENDITURES							
Current:							
Instruction		173,000		489,655		487,822	
School administration		16,970		15,888		14,526	
Food services		127,200		170,894		169,797	
Operation of plant		51,853		50,750		50,128	
Maintenance of plant		71,844		70,477		68,953	
Community Services		14,565		13,565		12,297	
Total Current Expenditures		455,432		811,229		803,523	
Excess (deficit) of Revenues							
Over Current Expenditures		(155,232)		(511,687)		(503,112)	
Capital Outlay		15,500	_	27,500		25,478	
Total Expenditures		470,932		838,729		829,001	
Excess (deficit) of Revenues Over Expenditures		(170,732)		(539,187)		(528,590)	
Other financing sources (uses)							
Transfers in (out)		170,732		539,187		531,822	
Net change in fund balance		-		-		3,232	
Fund Balance at beginning of year		754		754		754	
Fund Balance at end of year	\$	754	\$	754	\$	3,986	

#### 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.

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

	Capital Projects Fund					
	Original Budget I		Fina	Final Budget		Actual
REVENUES						
State capital outlay funding	\$	167,250	\$	242,825	\$	242,825
Total Revenues		167,250		242,825		242,825
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
Operation of Plant		167,250		242,825		242,825
Total Current Expenditures		167,250		242,825		242,825
Excess of Revenues						
Over Current Expenditures		-		-		-
Constant Continue						
Capital Outlay		-		-		-
Total Expenditures		167,250		242,825		242,825
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures		-		-		-
Other financing sources (uses)						
Transfers in (out)				-		-
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 AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Board of Directors of Mater Preparatory Academy Miami, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States., the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Mater Preparatory Academy (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 (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the 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.

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida September 14, 2021



#### MANAGEMENT LETTER

Board of Directors of Mater Preparatory Academy Miami, Florida

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

We have audited the financial statements of Mater Preparatory Academy, Miami, Florida 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. Corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

See Status below of prior year findings

## **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 Preparatory Academy (W/L# 3003)

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#### **Financial Condition and Management**

Section 10.854(1)(e)2 and 10.855(11), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate whether or not Mater Preparatory Academy has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that Mater Preparatory Academy 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 Preparatory Academy. It is management's responsibility to monitor Mater Preparatory Academy's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same.

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

#### Transparency

Sections 10.854(1)(e)7 and 10.855(13), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether Mater Preparatory Academy 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 Preparatory Academy 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 warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

#### **Status of Prior Year Findings and Recommendations**

## ML 2020-01 – Internal Account - Deposits

- Criteria: The School has designed and adopted an internal control system to reduce the risk of misappropriation of assets, including cash by establishing policies regarding cash receipts as the described in the School's Internal Account Policies and Procedures handbook.
- Condition: We noted several exceptions during our audit including: (1) unreconciled differences between the Recap of Collections Forms and the actual bank account deposits; (2) Cash collections over \$15 without the required student receipts; (3) inadequate segregation of duties where the same individual that takes deposits to the bank is also in charge of maintaining the books and recordkeeping for the

Internal account; and (4) lack of review and supervision by the School's Principal over the person in this accounting function.

- Cause: This condition results from the School's personnel not consistently adhering to the established policies and procedures in the School's Internal Accounts Policies and Procedures handbook.
- Effect: Failure to properly perform the procedures described above can result in misappropriation of the School's cash (deposits)

#### Recom-

- Mendation: We recommend that the School's personnel adhere to its internal control policies and procedures so that all deposits and cash receipts are properly counted, reviewed, and reconciled to the amounts deposited in the bank account. The internal bank account must also be reconciled timely and reviewed by the School's principal. In addition, we recommend that cash deposits be taken to the bank by personnel (or a third-party service) other than the bookkeeper. Finally, we recommend that the School's personnel be properly trained to ensure compliance with these policies.
- Status: During our current year audit procedures, we noted no exceptions in our sample of tested cash receipts. Therefore our recommendation was properly implemented.

#### ML 2020-02 – Internal Account - Disbursements

- Criteria: The School has designed and adopted an internal control system to reduce the risk of misappropriation of assets by establishing policies regarding cash disbursements as the described in the School's Internal Account – Policies and Procedures handbook.
- Condition: We noted several exceptions during our audit including: (1) not using a purchase orders prior to initiating a requisition for goods or services; and (2) Checks without the required two signatures.
- Cause: This condition results from the School's personnel not consistently adhering to the established policies and procedures in the School's Internal Accounts Policies and Procedures handbook.
- Effect: Failure to properly perform the procedures described above can result in misappropriation of the School's funds.

Recom-

Mendation: We recommend that the School's personnel adhere to its internal control policies and procedures relating to the Internal account, so that all disbursements are properly procured, documented, reviewed and authorized prior to funds being disbursed. We also recommend that the School's personnel be properly trained to ensure compliance with these policies.

Status: During our current year audit procedures, we noted no exceptions in our sample of tested cash disbursements. Therefore our recommendation was properly implemented.

#### **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 September 14, 2021