CityScape Schools, Inc.

Financial Statements

August 31, 2017 For the year then ended

TABLE OF CONTENTS

CERTIFICATE OF THE BOARD1
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT2-3
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
Statement of Financial Position4
Statement of Activities5
Statement of Cash Flows6
Notes to Financial Statements
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
Schedule of Expenses14
Schedule of Capital Assets15
Budgetary Comparison Schedule16
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 Governmental Auditing Standards

CERTIFICATE OF BOARD

CityScape Schools, Inc. County-District Number: 057-841

We, the undersigned, certify that the attached annual financial reports of the above named charter holder were reviewed and:

_____ approved _____ disapproved

for the year ended August 31, 2017, at a meeting of the board of directors of such charter holder on the 19th day of December 2017.

Signature of Board President

Signature of Board Secretary

Original signatures on file with the Texas Education Agency

If the board of trustees/directors disapproved of the auditors' report, the reason(s) for disapproving it (is/are):



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors CityScape Schools, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of CityScape Schools, Inc. (the "School"), which comprise the statement of financial position as of August 31, 2017, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The School's 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.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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. 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 auditors' 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 auditors consider 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 opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of CityScape Schools, Inc. as of August 31, 2017, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Report on Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of CityScape Schools, Inc. In accordance with the requirements established by the Financial Accountability System Resource Guide – Special Supplement – Charter Schools issued by the Texas Education Agency, the required supplemental information on pages 14 - 16 has been presented in addition to the basic financial statements. This information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied to the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

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

NOD, THOMAS, SMITH ; COMPANY, P.C.

Dallas, Texas December 18, 2017

CITYSCAPE SCHOOLS, INC. Statement of Financial Position As of August 31, 2017

Assets

Current assets		
Cash	\$	704,802
Restricted cash		5,118,539
Due from grantor agencies		193,857
Prepaid expenditures		114,152
Total current assets	_	6,131,350
Other assets		
Deferred expenditures		939,721
Depreciable assets, net		9,557,704
Total other assets	_	10,497,425
Total assets	\$ =	16,628,775
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$	122,004
Accrued payroll liabilities		301,464
Short term loan		35,000
Current portion of long term debt		-
Current portion of capital lease obligation	_	38,997
Total current liabilities	-	497,465
Noncurrent liabilities		
Noncurrent portion of long term debt		14,865,000
Noncurrent portion of capital lease obligation	20	
Total noncurrent liabilities	_	14,865,000
Total liabilities	2	15,362,465
Net assets		
Unrestricted		451,846
Temporarily restricted		814,464
Permanently restricted		-
Total net assets	-	1,266,310
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	16,628,775

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

CITYSCAPE SCHOOLS, INC. Statement of Activities For the year ended August 31, 2017

.

			Unrestricted	 Temporarily Restricted		Permanently Restricted		Total
Revenues	5							
Local .	support							
	Other revenues from local support	\$	65,088	\$ -	\$	-	\$	65,088
	Food service activity	74	6,207	-	-	-	-	6,207
	Total local support		71,295	-		-	-	71,295
State	program revenues							
	Available school fund program		-	156,947		*		156,947
	Foundation school program		-	4,475,582		-		4,475,582
	Other state grant revenue		-	66,149		-		66,149
	Total state program revenues		-	4,698,678	-	-	-	4,698,678
Feder	al program revenues							
	Title I, Part A		-	180,903		-		180,903
	Title II, Part A		-	26,899		11 -		26,899
	Title III, Part A		-	25,537		-		25,537
	IDEA, Part B, Formula		-	71,833		-		71,833
	IDEA, Part B, Preschool		-	1,013		-		1,013
	National school breakfast and lunch program			288,129		-		288,129
	Summer school LEP		-	3,495		-		3,495
	Total federal program revenues		-	597,809	1			597,809
	Net assets released from restrictions		5,025,579	(5,025,579)				-
	Total Revenues		5,096,874	270,908	19	-		5,367,782
Expense.	s							
Progr	ram services:							
11	Instruction		2,310,873	-				2,310,873
13	Curriculum and instructional staff development		3,546			-		3,546
23	School leadership		901,290	-		-		901,290
Supp	ort services:							
35	Food services		329,347	-		-		329,347
36	Extracurricular activities		1,386	÷		-		1,386
41	General administration		415,117	-		-		415,117
51	Plant maintenance and operations		496,602	-		-		496,602
52	Security and monitoring services		51,765	-		ž.		51,765
53	Data processing services		269,423	1 		-		269,423
71	Debt service	B	246,230			-	ł	246,230
	Total Expenses	2	5,025,579			÷	2	5,025,579
Change	in net assets		71,295	270,908		÷		342,203
	ts, beginning of year		380,551	543,556		<u> </u>		924,107
Net asse	ets, end of year	\$	451,846	\$ 814,464	\$	-	\$	1,266,310

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

CITYSCAPE SCHOOLS, INC. Statement of Cash Flows For the year ended August 31, 2017

Cash flows from operating activities		
Change in net assets	\$	342,203
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net		
cash used by operating activities		
Depreciation expense		200,127
Increase in due from grantor agency		96,460
Increase in prepaid expenditures		(110,581)
Decrease in deferred expenditures		(777,580)
Increase in accounts payable		(172,731)
Increase in accrued payroll liabilities		82,168
Net cash used by operating activities		(339,934)
Net cash flows used by from investing activities		
Purchase of equipment		(5,410,858)
Net cash used by investing activities	_	(5,410,858)
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities		
Proceeds from long-term debt		15,000,000
Proceeds from short-term loans		35,000
Repayments of long-term debt		(3,672,913)
Repayments of capital leases		(534,392)
Net cash provided by financing activities		10,827,695
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		5,076,903
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		746,438
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ _	5,823,341
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Cash paid during the year for:		
Interest	\$	246,230
Income taxes	\$	-
Non-cash transactions		
Capital lease acquisitions	\$	51,000

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

Notes to Financial Statements

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of activities

CityScape Schools, Inc. (dba East Grand Preparatory) (the "School") is an open enrollment charter school serving economically disadvantaged children in a single charter school. The School is supported primarily through state foundation school program act entitlements, donor contributions, and federal grants. Approximately 87 percent of the School's support for 2017 came from state entitlements. The School does not conduct any other charter or non-charter activities.

CityScape Schools, Inc. was formerly known as Reconciliation Academy, Inc.; in 2014, the School changed its name.

Basis of presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the School and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Unrestricted net assets - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations or net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions that have been met by the School within the same year received. State and federal revenues are reported as unrestricted net assets because it met all state and federal restrictions in the same reporting period and this accounting treatment has been applied consistently from period to period.

Temporarily restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may be or will be met, either by actions of the School and/or the passage of time. When a restriction is met in the year following receipt, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Permanently restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor imposed stipulations that they will be maintained permanently.

Contributions

Contributions, including unconditional promises to give, are recorded as made. All contributions are available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor. Conditional promises to give are recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. Unconditional promises to give, due in the next year, are recorded at their net realizable value. Unconditional promises to give, due in subsequent years, are reported at the present value of their net realizable value, using risk-free interest rates applicable to the years in which the promises are to be received.

Cash equivalents

Cash equivalents consist of short-term, highly liquid investments which are readily convertible into cash within ninety (90) days of purchase.

Notes to Financial Statements

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Functional allocation of expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

<u>Estimates</u>

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Compensated absences

Compensated absences cannot be reasonably estimated and are therefore recorded at cost when paid.

Depreciable assets

Depreciable assets are stated at cost or at estimated fair value at the date of gift. Donations are reported as unrestricted support unless the donor has restricted the donated asset to a specific purpose. The School capitalizes all expenditures over \$5,000 to depreciable assets. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over estimated useful life of the assets.

Income taxes

The School is exempt from Federal income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and therefore has made no provision for federal income taxes in the accompanying financial statements. In addition, CityScape Schools, Inc. dba East Grand Preparatory has been determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be a public charity within the meaning of Section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Internal Revenue Code. There was no unrelated business income for 2016-2017.

The School is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. Management believes it is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to September 1, 2013.

Date of Management's Review

Subsequent events were evaluated through December 18, 2017, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Notes to Financial Statements

2. Commitments and Contingencies

The School leases equipment under a non-cancellable lease agreements with expiration dates between July 2018 and January 2022. Total rent expense on this equipment for the year ended August 31, 2017 was \$65,462.

Minimum lease payments under the remaining operating lease are as follows:

Year ending August 31,	2018	\$ 47,493
	2019	36,174
	2020	36,174
	2021	28,159
	2022	6,495
		\$ 154,495

3. Retirement Benefits

Plan Description - The School contributes to the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (the System), a public employee retirement system. It is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The System provides service retirement and disability retirement benefits, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The System operates under the authority of provisions contained primarily in Texas Government code, Title 8, Public Retirement Systems, Subtitle C, Teacher Retirement System of Texas, which is subject to amendment by the Texas Legislature.

Participating employers in the System are legal separate entities from the State and from each other. Contributions to the System by one employer may be used for the benefit of a plan member of another participating employer. The unfunded obligations are passed along to the participating employers. There is no withdrawal penalty for a plan member for leaving the System.

Name of Plan	Employer ID/Plan Number	Certified Zone Status	Expiration Date of Collective Bargaining Agreement	Improvement or Rehabilitation Plan	Surcharge Paid	_	Contributions Made 2016-2017
Teacher Retirement System of Texas	n/a	Unknown	n/a	n/a Ş	-	\$	65,568
Total contribution:	s made					\$	65,568

Notes to Financial Statements

3. Retirement Benefits (continued)

Notes to the table:

- 1. Certified Zone Status (as defined by the Pension Protection Act) represents the level at which the plan is funded. Details of the funding status are as follows:
 - *i.* Total plan assets \$152,925,647,396
 - *ii.* Accumulated benefit obligations \$171,797,150,000
 - iii. The System is 78% funded.
- 2. There is no collective-bargaining agreement.
- 3. Based on the audited GASB 68 allocation schedules from the TRS website as of August 31, 2016, the year-end of the System, contributions made to the System did not represent more than 5% of the total contributions received by the System.
- 4. Contribution rates:

Member	7.2%
State	6.8%
Employer	6.8%

There have been no changes that would affect the comparison of employer contributions from year to year. The System's annual financial report and other required disclosure information are available by writing the General Accounting Department, Teacher Retirement System of Texas, 1000 Red River, Austin, Texas 78701-2698.

In addition, employees may contribute 0.65% of their salary and the School must contribute 0.55% of the salary of each active employee to TRS-Care (the TRS health plan for retired employees). The total amount contributed to TRS-Care for the year was \$32,973 which is equal to the employees' contributions and the School's required contributions for the year.

4. Maintenance of Effort

The amount paid by the corporation for charter school employees for health care premiums was as follows:

A	Total annual premiums paid for health care 2016- 2017:	\$ 255,114
В	Subtract any non-medical expenditures:	 -
С	2016-2017 maintenance of effort	\$ 255,114

Notes to Financial Statements

5. Property and Equipment

The following is a summary of property and equipment as of August 31, 2017:

	Beginning Balance	 Additions	 Reclass/ Retirement		Ending Balance
Land	\$ 315,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$	315,000
Building & improvements	3,331,062	73,359	-		3,404,421
Furniture & equipment	894,630	228,349	(45,418)		1,077,561
Construction in progress	193,313	5,160,150	-		5,353,463
Total property and equipment	4,734,005	 5,461,858	(45,418)		10,150,445
Less: accumulated depreciation	438,032	 200,127	(45,418)	1	592,741
Property and equipment, net	\$ 4,295,973	\$ 5,261,731	\$ ÷	\$	9,557,704

Depreciation expense for the year ended August 31, 2017 was \$200,127.

6. Contingent Liabilities

The School participates in numerous programs that are subject to audit by the Texas Education Agency and various federal audit agencies. These programs have complex compliance requirements, and should state or federal auditors find areas of substantial noncompliance, those School funds may be subject to refund if so determined by administrative audit review.

7. Long-term Debt

On November 30, 2016, the School issued two bond series with a total par value of \$15,000,000 through BOK Financial. The proceeds of these bonds were used to renovate certain buildings used for instructional purposes as well as pay of several outstanding acquisition and construction loans as well as outstanding capital leases. The bonds are secured by a deed of trust against the properties.

	Interest Rate	Maturity Date		Beginning Balance		Additions		Repayments		Ending Balance
Regions Bank	5.571%	2020	\$	3,449,615			ć	3,449,615	¢	
Regions Bank	5.450%	2020	Ŷ	88,298	ç		Ŷ	88,298	Ŷ	-
Series 2016A	5.000%-5.500%	2021-2051		-		14,410,000		-		14,410,000
Series 2016B	5.750%	2018-2021	_	-		590,000		135,000		455,000
			\$	3,537,913	\$	15,000,000	\$	3,672,913	\$	14,865,000

The School's long-term debt activity during the year ended August 31, 2017 was as follows:

Notes to Financial Statements

7. Long-term Debt, continued

At August 31, 2017, future debt service requirements pursuant to these bond issues were as follows:

	-	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$	- \$	<i>812,788 \$</i>	812,788
2019		145,000	812,788	957,788
2020		180,000	804,450	984,450
2021		190,000	794,100	984,100
2022		205,000	783,625	988,625
2023-2027		1,180,000	3,754,375	4,934,375
2028-2032		1,530,000	3,405,875	4,935,875
2033-2037		1,985,000	2,938,100	4,923,100
2038-2042		2,595,000	2,328,425	4,923,425
2043-2047		3,400,000	1,531,200	4,931,200
2048-2051	_	3,455,000	487,850	3,942,850
Total	\$	14,865,000 \$	18,453,576 \$	33,318,576

8. Capital Leases

In 2017 the School entered into a capital leases for computer software. In addition, during 2017 the School paid off all outstanding leases from the prior year with a portion of the proceeds from the 2016 Bond Offering

Future minimum lease payments under the capital lease are as follows:

Year ending August 31,	Principal	Interest	Total		
2018 \$	38,997	2,635	41,632		

The following equipment, included in total property and equipment, is subject to the above capital leases whereby the School recognized an asset and a liability upon contract inception:

Machinery and equipment	\$	51,000
Less: accumulated depreciation	1004 F-040	(25,500)
Net assets under capital leases	\$	25,500

Notes to Financial Statements

9. Due from Grantor Agencies

As of August 31, 2017, the School had earned the following revenues which were not received until after the end of the fiscal year:

Foundation entitlements	\$ 175,939
Other State grants	11,686
Federal grants	6,232
Total	\$ <u>193,857</u>

10. State Foundation Program Revenue

Charter schools in the State of Texas participate in the State foundation program. Under this program, each charter school is entitled to receive these revenues based upon student enrollment and average daily attendance. Each charter school is required to file enrollment and attendance reports at the close of each six weeks reporting period, and at the close of the year, actual attendance is calculated by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and the attendance reports are subject to audit by the TEA and final State foundation program earnings may be adjusted as a result of any such audit. A reconciliation of cash paid to revenue recognized is as follows:

Cash paid during fiscal year	\$ 4,559,707
Revenue accrued at year-end	175,939
Revenue accrued in prior year	(260,064)
Revenue recognized during current year	\$ 4,475,582

11. Budget Amendments

Prior to the beginning of each school year, the School prepares, approves and submits its annual budget for the next fiscal year. During the year the School amends this budget as necessary. Any necessary amendments are approved by the board prior to expenditure.

CITYSCAPE SCHOOLS, INC. Schedule of Expenses For the year ended August 31, 2017

Expenses \$ 3,310,489 6100 Payroll costs 6200 Professional and contracted services 768,737 Supplies and materials 265,676 6300 Other operating costs 434,447 6400 6500 Debt 246,230 Total Expenses \$ 5,025,579

CITYSCAPE SCHOOLS, INC. Schedule of Capital Assets For the year ended August 31, 2017

		Local		State	Federal	Total
1510	Land	\$ =	\$	315,000	\$ -	\$ 315,000
1520	Buildings and improvements	-		3,404,421	-	3,404,421
1539	Furniture and equipment	59,665		959,703	58,193	1,077,561
1580	Construction in progress	-	_	5,353,463	-	 5,353,463
Total Pro	operty and Equipment	\$ 59,665	\$	10,032,587	\$ 58,193	\$ 10,150,445

CITYSCAPE SCHOOLS, INC. Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the year ended August 31, 2017

1

			Budgeted Amounts			Actual		Variance from Final
		-	Original		Final	Amounts		Budget
Revenues		-						
Local suppor	rt							
5749	Other revenues from local support	\$	158,713	\$	63,353 \$	65,088	\$	1,735
5751	Food service activity	-	4,748	_	6,207	6,207	_	
	Total local support	-	163,461	-	69,560	71,295	-	1,735
State progra	am revenues							
5811	Available school fund program		51,855		161,880	156,947		(4,933)
5812	Foundation school program act revenues		4,606,234		4,419,207	4,475,582		56,375
5829	Other state grant revenue	-	62,661	• •	66,151	66,149	-	(2)
	Total state program revenues	-	4,720,750		4,647,238	4,698,678	_	51,440
Federal proc	gram revenues							
5920	National breakfast and lunch program		250,547		306,973	288,129		(18,844)
5929	Federal revenues distributed by the Texas Education Agency	-	286,953		288,303	309,680	-	21,377
	Total federal program revenues	-	537,500		595,276	597,809	-	2,533
	Total revenues	_	5,421,711		5,312,074	5,367,782	-	55,708
Expenses			2 500 055		2 200 720	2 240 072		70.055
11	Instruction		2,509,856		2,389,729	2,310,873		78,856
13	Curriculum development and instructional staff development		4,251		3,581	3,546		35
23	School leadership		698,773		880,160 332,640	901,290		(21,130)
35	Food service Extracurricular activities		414,034 327		1,393	329,347 1,386		3,293 7
36 41	General administration		442,990		593,294	415,117		178,177
41 51	Plant maintenance and operations		442,550		514,900	496,602		18,298
52	Security and monitoring services		13,393		55,707	51,765		3,942
53	Data processing services		171,423		285,082	269,423		15,659
71	Debt service	-	390,012		255,588	246,230		9,358
	Total expenses	-	5,070,621		5,312,074	5,025,579		286,495
Change in n	et assets		351,090			342,203		342,203
Net assets, I	beginning of year	-	924,107		924,107	924,107		<u> </u>
Net assets, e	end of year	\$ =	1,275,197	= ^{\$} =	924,107 \$	1,266,310	\$	342,203



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 CityScape Schools, Inc.

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 CityScape Schools, Inc. (the "School") (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of August 31, 2017, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 18, 2017.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the School's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our 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 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 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.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization'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 organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

LOD, THOMAS, SMITTH COMPANY, P.C.

Dallas, Texas December 18, 2017