Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedules Together with Reports of Independent Public Accountants

For the Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015



# JUNE 30, 2016 AND 2015

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

The Board of Trustees
Howard University Public Charter Middle
School of Mathematics and Science

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

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of the Howard University Public Charter Middle School of Mathematics and Science (the School) as of June 30, 2016, and the related statements of activities and change in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### 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 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; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the auditing standards established pursuant to the District of Columbia School Reform Act, Public law No. 104-134, 110 Stat. 1321-121, 2204(c)(11)(B)(ix)(1996); D.C. Official Code 38-1802.04(ii)(B)(2001, as amended). 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 opinion.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the School as of June 30, 2016, and the change 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**

The financial statements of the School as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements on December 23, 2015.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedule of functional expenses for the year ended June 30, 2016, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic 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 March 8, 2017, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and 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 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.

Washington, DC March 8, 2017 S& + Company, If C

### Statements of Financial Position As of June 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016		2015		
ASSETS		_			
Cash	\$	934,684	\$	858,739	
Investments		901,123		102,272	
Federal grants receivable		25,573		267,657	
Other grants and contributions receivable		73,598		133,902	
Prepaid expenses		8,696		15,359	
Total current assets		1,943,674		1,377,929	
Property and equipment, net		305,946		312,739	
Total Assets	\$	2,249,620	\$	1,690,668	
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS					
Accounts payable	\$	112,121	\$	81,896	
Accrued expenses		414,451		242,923	
Deferred revenue		35,302		-	
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		561,874		324,819	
Net Assets					
Unrestricted		1,687,746		1,365,849	
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	\$	2,249,620	\$	1,690,668	

# Statements of Activities and Change in Net Assets For the Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016		2015		
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSET					
Revenue and Support:					
Per pupil allocation	\$	3,344,519	\$	3,620,734	
DC facilities allowance		830,984		903,168	
Federal entitlements		133,760		267,657	
Federal grants		45,219		47,513	
Grants and contributions		1,001,661		1,066,729	
Other		27,413		58,475	
<b>Total Revenue</b>		5,383,556		5,964,276	
Donated facilities		1,009,000		1,009,000	
<b>Total Revenue and Support</b>		6,392,556		6,973,276	
Expenses					
Program Services		5,337,790		5,924,076	
Supporting Services:					
General and administrative		450,997		501,933	
Fundraising		281,872		313,705	
Total Supporting Services		732,869		815,638	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		6,070,659		6,739,714	
Change in net assets		321,897		233,562	
Net assets, beginning of year		1,365,849		1,132,287	
Net Assets, End of Year	\$	1,687,746	\$	1,365,849	

### Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016			2015		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities						
Change in net assets	\$	321,897	\$	233,562		
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to						
net cash from operating activities:						
Reinvestment of investment earnings		(1,206)		-		
Depreciation		130,985		159,751		
Effect of changes in non-cash, operating assets and						
liabilities:						
Federal grants receivable		242,084		(34,065)		
Other grants and contributions receivable		60,304		44,342		
Prepaid expenses		6,663		29,991		
Accounts payable		30,225		1,849		
Accrued expenses		171,528		(135,906)		
Deferred revenue		35,302		(207,629)		
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		997,782		91,895		
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>						
Purchase of investments		(900,000)		_		
Proceeds from sale of investments		102,355		597,728		
Purchase of property and equipment		(124,192)		(141,531)		
Net Cash (Used) Provided by Investing Activities		(921,837)		456,197		
Net change in cash		75,945		548,092		
Cash, beginning of year		858,739		310,647		
Cash, End of Year	\$	934,684	\$	858,739		

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. ORGANIZATION AND PROGRAM

Howard University Public Charter Middle School of Mathematics and Science (the School) is a District of Columbia (the District) not-for-profit entity incorporated in December 2003. The School provides an academic model designed to help prepare middle school students for college and careers in math, science, and engineering. The School is a technology-enabled school designed specifically for middle school students with the benefit of being located on an elite college campus.

In July 2005, the School entered into a contract with the District of Columbia Board of Education granting the School a charter for the establishment of a public charter school in Washington, DC. The charter shall continue for a term of 15 years unless renewed, revoked, or terminated by the District of Columbia Board of Education for violations of applicable laws and conditions, terms and procedures set forth in the charter. The School's current charter provides for enrollment of up to 500 students in grades six through eight. Under the provisions of the contract, the District of Columbia Board of Education is to make annual payments to the School for services provided to the students based on the number of students attending the School each year. The School served 266 and 296 students during fiscal years 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Basis of Accounting**

The accompanying financial statements of the School have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Use of Estimates**

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

#### **Investments**

Investments are recorded at fair market value. Investment income, including unrealized gains or losses, is reported through the change in net assets as unrestricted unless restricted by the donor or by law.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Fair Value Measurements**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America establish a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under accounting principles accepted in the United States of America are described below:

- Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the School has the ability to access.
- Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:
  - Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
  - Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
  - Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and
  - Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Financial instruments consist of cash, investments, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and debt. The carrying value of the School's financial instruments in the accompanying statements of financial position approximated their respective estimated fair values as of June 30, 2016 and 2015. Fair values are estimated based on current market rates, prices or liquidation value.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

### **Federal Grants and Contributions Receivable**

Federal grants and contributions receivable represent revenue earned, but not collected as of the end of the fiscal year.

The School provides an allowance for doubtful accounts equal to the estimated uncollectible accounts. The School's estimate is based on historical collection experience and a review of the current status of specific accounts and grants receivable. There was no allowance for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, as management believes that these amounts are fully collectible.

### **Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment valued in excess of \$1,000 are capitalized and recorded at cost, if purchased, or estimated fair value at the date of gift, if donated. Depreciation is recorded using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets ranging from three to five years. Equipment under capital leases is amortized using the straight-line method over the lesser of the estimated useful lives of the equipment or the lives of the leases. Repairs, maintenance and minor replacements are expensed as incurred while major replacements and improvements are capitalized.

#### **Net Assets**

Unrestricted net assets are assets and contributions that are not restricted by donors or for which restrictions have expired.

Temporarily restricted net assets are those whose uses by the School have been limited by donors primarily for a specific time period or purpose. When a donor restriction is met, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets. If a donor restriction is met in the same reporting period in which the contribution is received, the contribution (to the extent that the restrictions have been met) is reported as unrestricted net assets. There were no temporarily restricted net assets as of June 30, 2016 and 2015.

Permanently restricted net assets are those that are restricted by donors to be maintained by the School in perpetuity. There were no permanently restricted net assets as of June 30, 2016 and 2015.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Restricted and Unrestricted Revenue and Support**

Contributions received are recorded when pledged and classified as unrestricted, temporarily or permanently restricted support, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor imposed restrictions. Donor-restricted support is reported as an increase in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the nature of the restriction.

Gifts of cash and other assets are reported as restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when some stipulated time restriction ends or purpose of the restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statements of activities and change in net assets as net assets released from restrictions.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

The School receives a student allocation from the District of Columbia as well as Federal funding to cover the cost of academic expenses. The student allocation is on a per pupil basis and includes the academic year funding, special education funding, and a facilities allotment. The School recognizes this funding in the year in which the school term is conducted. Funding received in advance of the school term is recorded as deferred revenue in the accompanying statements of financial position. Revenue from other government sources are recognized as earned.

### **Donated Facilities**

The School is located on the campus of Howard University, a related tax-exempt organization. Total in kind contributions from Howard University for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, were \$1,009,000, for the School's free use of the facility. Management estimated the value of the in-kind services based on the market rate for the value of the facility provided, which is recorded as donated facilities and rent expense in the accompanying financial statements.

#### **Advertising Costs**

Advertising costs are expensed when incurred. The costs of advertising are expensed when the services are received. Advertising expense for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, was approximately \$16,000 and \$11,000, respectively.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Functional Expense Allocation**

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities and change in net assets. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services that benefit from those costs. General and administrative expenses include those expenses that are not directly identified with any other specific function but provide for the overall support and direction of the School.

#### **Income Taxes**

The School is exempt from Federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and applicable District of Columbia income tax laws.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America provide consistent guidance for the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an entity's financial statements and prescribe a threshold of "more likely than not" for recognition of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The School performed an evaluation of uncertain tax positions for the year ended June 30, 2016, and determined that there were no matters that would require recognition in the financial statements or which may have any effect on its tax-exempt status. For the year ended June 30, 2016, the statute of limitations for fiscal years 2013 through 2016 remains open with the U.S. Federal jurisdiction or the various states and local jurisdictions in which the School files tax returns. It is the School's policy to recognize interest and/or penalties related to uncertain tax positions, if any, in income tax expense.

#### Reclassification

Certain 2015 amounts have been reclassified to conform to the 2016 financial statement presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on previously reported results of operations or net assets.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In August 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued ASU No. 2016-14, *Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities* and ASU No. 2016-15, *Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments*, that provides updated guidance on the reporting model for not-for-profits and the statement of cash flows. These standards are effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2017 and December 15, 2018, respectively. Management is evaluating the effects of these pronouncements on the financial statements, and will implement these pronouncements by their effective dates. Management does not believe the adoption of these pronouncements will have a material effect on the financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Subsequent Events**

The School's management evaluated the accompanying financial statements for subsequent events and transactions through March 8, 2017, the date the financial statements were available for issue, and has determined that no material subsequent events have occurred that would affect the information presented in the accompanying financial statements or require additional disclosure.

#### 3. INVESTMENTS

The following is a description of the valuation methodology used for investments measured at fair value.

Certificates of Deposit: Valued at the cost plus accrued interest, where cost approximates the fair value.

The method described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the School believes its valuation method is appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

There have been no changes in the methodology used as of June 30, 2016.

The following tables set forth by level, the fair value hierarchy of investments, at fair value, as of June 30, 2016 and 2015:

	<b>June 30, 2016</b>									
		Level 1		Level 1 Level 2		Lev	Level 3		Total	
Certificates of Deposit	\$	901,123	\$	-	\$	-	\$	901,123		
				June 3	0, 2015					
		Level 1	Lev	rel 2	Lev	el 3		Total		
Certificates of Deposit	\$	102,272	\$	_	\$		\$	102,272		

Gains and losses on investments are reported in the accompanying statements of activities and change in net assets in other income.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

### 4. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, property and equipment consisted of the following:

	2016		 2015	<b>Useful Life</b>
Equipment and software	\$	1,167,181	\$ 1,047,440	3 years
Leasehold improvements		64,374	59,923	3 - 5 years
Total		1,231,555	 1,107,363	
Less: accumulated depreciation		925,609	 794,624	
Property and equipment, net	\$	305,946	\$ 312,739	

Depreciation expense was \$130,985 and \$159,751, for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### 5. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### Grants

The School receives financial assistance from Federal agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the School. The School's management believes such disallowance, if any, would be immaterial.

The School receives a substantial portion of its revenue from the Government of the District of Columbia. If a significant reduction in this revenue should occur, it may have an effect on the School's programs. During the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, the School earned revenue of \$4,354,482 and \$4,839,072, respectively, from the Government of the District of Columbia, which represented 81% of the total revenue and support. These amounts are reflected as per pupil allocation, DC facilities allowance, Federal grants, and Federal entitlements in the accompanying statements of activities and change in net assets.

### **Operating Leases**

As disclosed in Note 2, the School operates from premises leased from Howard University at no cost. Beginning August 2007, this lease was renegotiated to renew automatically each year for ten years. The School recorded \$1,009,000, as an in-kind contribution and rental expense in the statements of activities and change in net assets for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, based upon the University's estimate of the fair value of a lease for the premises.

Included in office equipment rental and maintenance expenses are assets leased under an agreement that has been classified as an operating lease. The minimum future rentals, excluding applicable sales and use taxes, under the non-cancelable operating lease as of June 30, 2016 was \$6,106.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 6. RETIREMENT PLAN

All employees having attained the age of eighteen and have accumulated 1,000 hours within the plan year, are eligible to participate in the School's retirement plan (the Plan). The Plan is a tax-deferred annuity plan under Section 401(k) of the Code and is administered by a retirement planning company. The School matches 100% of participating employees' contributions up to six percent of the contributing participant's salary, subject to the IRS limit. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, the School's matching contributions were \$85,666 and \$101,307, respectively.

The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions. During fiscal year 2016, the School received a notice from the U.S Department of Labor related to late tax filings. Management has recorded a liability for the penalty payment relating to this late filing assessment. The liability is included in accrued expenses in the accompanying statements of financial position. The School has subsequently filed returns related to the Plan for tax years 2013 through 2015, which remain open with the Internal Revenue Service.

#### 7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The founders of the School are Howard University's Board of Trustees. Howard University contributes to the School's operations at its discretion. Howard University made cash contributions in the amount of \$1,000,000, for each of the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015. As disclosed in note 2, the School is located on Howard University's campus, which is provided rent-free as an in-kind donation.



### Supplemental Schedule of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended June 30, 2016, with Comparative 2015 Totals

		2015			
	Program	General and			
PERSONNEL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	Services	Administrative	Fundraising	Total	Total
Salaries	\$ 2,895,689	266,270	\$ 166,419	\$ 3,328,378	\$ 3,589,100
Employee benefits	378,895	34,841	21,776	435,512	402,526
Payroll taxes	231,461	21,284	13,302	266,047	318,963
Travel	6,545	602	376	7,523	27,409
Professional development	8,293	763	477	9,533	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Total salaries, taxes and benefits	3,520,883	323,760	202,350	4,046,993	37,451 4,375,449
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DIRECT STUDENT COSTS	104.025			104.005	222 471
Contracted instructional services	196,925	-	-	196,925	223,471
Educational supplies and materials	78,680	-	-	78,680	106,516
Food service/catering	91,364	-	-	91,364	83,861
Other student costs	43,169	-	-	43,169	44,467
Transportation	11,012	-	-	11,012	380
Student assessment materials	12,058			12,058	7,240
Total direct student costs	433,208	<u> </u>		433,208	465,935
OCCUPANCY EXPENSES					
Rent	877,830	80,720	50,450	1,009,000	1,009,000
Maintenance and repairs	12,099	1,113	695	13,907	51,074
Utilities	39,585	3,640	2,275	45,500	42,000
Building supplies/materials	17,313	1,592	995	19,900	36,897
Contracted building services	4,337	399	249	4,985	10,631
Total occupancy expenses	951,164	87,464	54,664	1,093,292	1,149,602
OFFICE EXPENSES					
Office supplies and materials	21,009	1,932	1,207	24,148	28,090
Office equipment rental and maintenance	7,214	663	415	8,292	551
Telephone/telecommunications	22,536	2,072	1,295	25,903	23.672
Printing and copying	17,521	1,611	1,007	20,139	39,347
Postage and shipping	2,078	191	119	2,388	3,858
Computer and related	24,950	2,294	1,434	28,678	10,088
Memberships and subscriptions	11,393	1,048	655	13,096	640
Other office expenses	770	71	44	885	11,058
Total office expenses	107,471	9,882	6,176	123,529	117,304
GENERAL EXPENSES					
Insurance	26,734	2,458	1,536	30,728	34.935
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Administration fee	35,523	3,266	2,042	40,831	42,367
Depreciation	113,957	10,479	6,549	130,985	159,751
Bad debt expense	0	-	-	10.140	94,728
Fees and licenses	10,562	971	607	12,140	6,464
Professional fees	125,330	11,525	7,203	144,058	291,414
Other general expense	12,958	1,192	745	14,895	1,765
Total general expenses	325,064	29,891	18,682	373,637	631,424
Total Expenses	\$ 5,337,790	\$ 450,997	\$ 281,872	\$ 6,070,659	\$ 6,739,714

## Supplemental Schedule of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

	Program	General and		
GALARIES TAYES AND DENERTES	Services	Administrative	Fundraising	Total
SALARIES, TAXES AND BENEFITS Salaries	\$ 3,122,517	\$ 287,128	\$ 179,455	\$ 3,589,100
	350,198	32,202	20,126	402,526
Employee benefits Payroll taxes		,	,	
Travel, net of allowance of \$0 in 2015	277,498	25,517	15,948	318,963
	23,846	2,193	1,370	27,409
Professional development	32,582	2,996	1,873	37,451
Total salaries, taxes and benefits	3,806,641	350,036	218,772	4,375,449
DIRECT STUDENT COSTS				
Contracted instructional services	223,471	-	-	223,471
Educational supplies and materials	106,516	-	-	106,516
Food service/catering	83,861	-	-	83,861
Other student costs	44,467	-	-	44,467
Transportation	331	30	19	380
Student assessment materials	7,240	-	-	7,240
Total direct student costs	465,886	30	19	465,935
OCCUPANCY EXPENSES		<u>-</u>		
Rent	877,830	80,720	50,450	1,009,000
Maintenance and repairs	44,434	4,086	2,554	51,074
Utilities	36,540	3,360	2,100	42,000
Building supplies/materials	32,100	2,952	1,845	36,897
Contracted building services	9,250	851	530	10,631
Total occupancy expenses	1,000,154	91,969	57,479	1,149,602
OFFICE EXPENSES				
Office supplies and materials	24,438	2,247	1,405	28,090
Office equipment rental and maintenance	479	44	28	551
Telephone/telecommunications	20,594	1,894	1,184	23,672
Printing and copying	34,232	3,148	1,967	39,347
Postage and shipping	3,356	309	193	3,858
Computer and related	8,777	807	504	10,088
Memberships and subscriptions	557	51	32	640
Other office expense	9,623	885	550	11,058
Total office expenses	102,056	9,385	5,863	117,304
GENERAL EXPENSES				
Insurance	30,393	2,795	1,747	34,935
Administration fee	36,860	3,389	2,118	42,367
Depreciation	138,983	12,780	7,988	159,751
_	82,414			94,728
Bad debt expense Fees and licenses	5,624	7,578 517	4,736 323	6,464
Professional fees	253,530	23,313		
	253,530 1,535		14,571	291,414
Other general expenses	549,339	50,513	89 31,572	1,765
Total general expenses  Total Expenses				
Total Expenses	\$ 5,924,076	\$ 501,933	\$ 313,705	\$ 6,739,714



# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS 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

The Board of Trustees Howard University Public Charter Middle School of Mathematics and Science

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 Howard University Public Charter Middle School of Mathematics and Science (the School), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2016, and the related statements of activities and change in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 8, 2017.

### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

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

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the schedule of findings and responses we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness.

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. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses to be a material weakness (2016-001).



#### **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 did not disclose instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### The School's Response to Findings

The School's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The School's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

### **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 School'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 School's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Washington, DC March 8, 2017

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Schedule of Findings and Responses For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

# Finding 2016-001 Material Weaknesses on Internal Controls over Financial Reporting and on Compliance

#### Criteria

The School must maintain an adequate system of internal control over financial reporting in order to initiate, authorize, record, process and report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

#### **Condition**

The financial information for the year ended June 30, 2016, included misstatements in certain balance sheet accounts that were the result of ineffective monitoring procedures and closing processes throughout the year. Accounting tasks such as monthly reconciliations play a key role in proving the accuracy of accounting data and information included in the financial statements. Cash, investments, accounts receivables, property and equipment, accounts payables and accrued expenses were not reconciled monthly or on an adequate frequency during the year to identify account errors timely. These misstatements, in certain circumstances, resulted in material audit adjustments and delays in completing the audit.

#### Cause

The School has had turnover in accounting and management personnel during the past two years and some of the internal controls relating to the review and analysis of accounts were not performed on a timely basis.

### **Effect**

The delay in completing account analysis for the financial statement accounts allowed for errors and irregularities to go undetected.

#### Recommendation

In order to provide more accurate and timely accounting information, we strongly recommend that the School establish more effective review and reconciliation policies and procedures as a customary part of the accounting process. Management should develop a monthly close process with a timeline and the specific account analyses to be performed. This would involve monthly reconciliations of all accounts, making various adjustments throughout the year that have typically been performed at year-end, and performing more frequent reviews of the general ledger throughout the year.

Schedule of Findings and Responses (continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

#### Corrective Action Plan

Management agrees with the recommendations. We plan to strengthen the year-end financial reporting and close process by developing key internal controls including (a) developing a hierarchy of required review procedures to ensure that the financial information presented for audit have been prepared and reviewed prior to audit (b) ensuring that all team members receive adequate training on new and emerging accounting guidance and the relevant accounting software utilized by the Middle School (c) developing more written policies and procedures around the accounting close and reconciliation process and (d) ensuring that monthly reconciliations are performed for all accounts and that adjustments are made during the year as needed. Additionally, we will study the existing staff resources to assess whether additional support is needed to meet all of the required responsibilities of the finance and accounting function.