COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS

AUDIT REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

A NONPROFIT PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION OPERATING THE FOLLOWING CALIFORNIA CHARTER SCHOOLS

Compass Charter Schools of San Diego (Charter No. 1454)
Academy of Arts & Sciences: Thousand Oaks (Charter No. 1455)
Academy of Arts & Sciences: Sonoma (Charter No. 1457)
Compass Charter Schools of Fresno (Charter No. 1631)
Compass Charter Schools of Los Angeles (Charter No. 1651)

San Diego
Los Angeles
San Francisco
Bay Area



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Compass Charter Schools Thousand Oaks, California

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Compass Charter Schools (the "Organization") which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2017, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of 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.

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Compass Charter Schools as of June 30, 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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements of Compass Charter Schools taken as a whole. The supplementary information listed in the table of contents 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 financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the 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 November 17, 2017, on our consideration of the Organization'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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

San Diego, California

Christy White associates

November 17, 2017

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 30, 2017

ASSETS	
Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,376,306
Investments	3,009,303
Accounts receivable	5,149,028
Prepaid expenses	46,661
Total Assets	\$ 9,581,298
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 1,481,342
Total liabilities	1,481,342
Net assets	
Unrestricted	7,975,314
Temporarily restricted	 124,642
Total net assets	 8,099,956

Total Liabilities and Net Assets

9,581,298

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Temporarily Unrestricted Restricted			T-t-1		
	Ur	nrestricted	Kest	rictea		Total
SUPPORT AND REVENUES						
Federal and state support and revenues						
Local control funding formula, state aid	\$	4,522,715	\$	-	\$	4,522,715
Federal revenues		81,660		-		81,660
Other state revenues		659,823		253,932		913,755
Total federal and state support and revenues		5,264,198		253,932		5,518,130
Local support and revenues						_
Payments in lieu of property taxes		1,389,260		-		1,389,260
Investment income, net		78,491		-		78,491
Other local revenues		600,189		-		600,189
Total local support and revenues		2,067,940		-		2,067,940
Donor restrictions satisfied		333,752		(333,752)		-
Total Support and Revenues		7,665,890		(79,820)		7,586,070
Expenses						
Program services		11,198,116		-		11,198,116
Management and general		3,680,747		-		3,680,747
Total Expenses		14,878,863		-		14,878,863
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		(7,212,973)		(79,820)		(7,292,793)
Net Assets - Beginning		15,188,287		204,462		15,392,749
Net Assets - Ending	\$	7,975,314	\$	124,642	\$	8,099,956

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

			Progran	1 Services			_	
California Charter No.	1454	1455	1457	1631	1651		_	
		AAS				Total		
	CCS of	Thousand	AAS	CCS of	CCS of	Program	Management	Total
_	San Diego	Oaks	Sonoma	Fresno	Los Angeles	Services	and General	Expenses
EXPENSES								
Personnel expenses								
Certificated salaries	\$ 1,185,876	\$ 481,942	\$ 508,534	\$ 386,242	\$ 1,368,929	\$ 3,931,523	\$ 69,385	\$ 4,000,908
Non-certificated salaries	318,499	137,115	138,067	104,971	361,674	1,060,326	562,471	1,622,797
Employee benefits	426,565	202,895	146,557	112,016	511,604	1,399,637	84,253	1,483,890
Total personnel expenses	1,930,940	821,952	793,158	603,229	2,242,207	6,391,486	716,109	7,107,595
Non-personnel expenses								
Books and supplies	927,271	275,136	365,062	295,662	1,146,921	3,010,052	5,672	3,015,724
Services and other operating	474,585	314,289	193,798	144,443	506,432	1,633,547	658,806	2,292,353
Interest expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,118	3,118
Payments to authorizing agencies	34,755	73,956	3,756	35,462	15,102	163,031	22,074	185,105
Legal settlement*	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,600,000	1,600,000
Repayment of revenues	-	-	-	-	-	-	674,968	674,968
Total non-personnel expenses	1,436,611	663,381	562,616	475,567	1,668,455	4,806,630	2,964,638	7,771,268
Total Expenses	\$ 3,367,551	\$ 1,485,333	\$ 1,355,774	\$ 1,078,796	\$ 3,910,662	\$ 11,198,116	\$ 3,680,747	\$ 14,878,863

^{*}Refer to Legal Settlement under Note 7 on Commitments and Contingencies for more information.

Note: "CCS" refers to Compass Charter School and "AAS" refers to Academy of Arts & Sciences.

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Change in net assets	\$ (7,292,793)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash	
provided by (used in) operating activities	
(Increase) decrease in operating assets	
Accounts receivable	(4,215,504)
Prepaid expenses	(46,661)
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities	
Accounts payable	(5,463,384)
Deferred revenue	(62,400)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(17,080,742)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Transfer from investment account	1,990,697
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	1,990,697
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(15,090,045)
Net cash and cash equivalents - Beginning	16,466,351
Net cash and cash equivalents - Ending	\$ 1,376,306
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE	
Cash paid on interest	\$ 3,118

NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

Compass Charter Schools (the "Organization"), was formed as a nonprofit public benefit corporation on October 28, 2011 under the name Academy of Arts & Sciences. In February 2017, the Organization changed its name to Compass Charter Schools. The main purpose of the Organization is to manage public charter schools. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, Compass Charter Schools operated five (5) California public charter schools. Information on each of the charter school is as follows:

		Classes	Authorizing	
Charter School	Charter No.	Began	Agency	County
Compass Charter Schools of San Diego	1454	8/27/2012	MEUSD	San Diego
Previously Academy of Arts and Sciences: Del Mar Middle & High	(6-12)			
Academy of Arts and Sciences: Thousand Oaks & Simi Valley	1455	8/15/2012	MESD	Ventura
Academy of Arts and Sciences: Sonoma	1457	9/28/2012	CRPUSD	Sonoma
Compass Charter Schools of Fresno	1631	7/1/2014	OC	Fresno
Previously Academy of Arts and Sciences: Fresno				
Compass Charter Schools of Los Angeles	1651	7/1/2014	AADUSD	Los Angeles
Previously Academy of Arts and Sciences: Los Angeles (9-12)				

The authorizing agencies noted above include: Acton-Agua Dulce Unified School District (AADUSD), Cotati-Rohnert Park Unified School District (CRPUSD), Mountain Empire Unified School District (MEUSD), Mupu Elementary School District (MESD) and Orange Center School District (OC).

Compass Charter Schools' mission is to inspire, and develop innovative, creative, self-directed learners, one scholar at a time. Funding sources primarily consist of state apportionments, in lieu of property tax revenues, and grants and donations from the public.

B. Financial Statement Presentation

Compass Charter Schools is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. Unrestricted net assets include all resources available for use by the Board of Directors and management's discretion in carrying out the activities of the organization in accordance with its Bylaws. Temporarily or permanently restricted net assets are only expendable for the purposes specified by the donor or through the passage of time. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets. Permanently restricted net assets are generally required to be held by the organization in perpetuity while the earnings on those assets are available for use by the organization to support operations. Donors can place restrictions on the earnings from permanently restricted contributions at the time the contributions are made or pledged. Fund accounting is not used in the Organization's financial statement presentation.

C. Basis of Accounting

The Organization's policy is to prepare its financial statements on the accrual basis of accounting; consequently, revenues are recognized when earned rather than when cash is received and certain expenses and purchases of assets are recognized when the obligation is incurred rather than when cash is disbursed.

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, continued JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D. Estimates

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, such as depreciation expense and the net book value of capital assets. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

E. Functional Expenses

The costs of providing services have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities and detailed in the statement of functional expenses. Certain costs and expenses have been allocated between program and supporting services based on management's estimates.

F. Contributions

Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as an increase in unrestricted net assets if the restriction expires in the reporting period in which the revenue is recognized. All other donor restricted support is reported as an increase in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the existence or nature of any donor restrictions.

Non-cash contributions of goods, materials, and facilities are recorded at fair value at the date of contribution. Contributed services are recorded at fair value at the date of contribution if they are used to create or enhance a non-financial asset or require specialized skills, are provided by someone possessing those skills, and would have to be purchased by the organization if not donated.

G. In Lieu of Property Taxes Revenue

Secured property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of March 1. Taxes are payable in two installments on December 10 and April 10. Unsecured property taxes are payable in one installment on or before August 31. The County bills and collects the taxes for the authorizing agency. In lieu of distributing funds out of property tax proceeds, the authorizing agency makes monthly payments to Compass Charter Schools. Revenues are recognized by the Organization when earned.

H. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Compass Charter Schools considers all highly liquid deposits and investments with an original maturity of less than ninety days to be cash equivalents.

I. Investments

The Organization's method of accounting for most investments is the fair value method. Fair value is determined by published quotes when they are readily available. Gains and losses resulting from adjustments to fair values are included in the accompanying statement of activities.

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, continued JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

J. Receivables and Allowances

Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. An allowance for doubtful accounts is established, as necessary, based on past experience and other factors which, in management's judgment, deserve current recognition in estimating bad debts. Such factors include the relationship of the allowance for doubtful accounts to accounts receivable and current economic conditions. Based on review of these factors, the Organization establishes or adjusts the allowance for specific revenue sources as a whole. At June 30, 2017, an allowance for doubtful accounts was not considered necessary as all accounts receivable were deemed collectible.

K. Capital Assets

Compass Charter Schools has not yet adopted a policy to capitalize asset purchases in conformance with generally accepted accounting principles because the Organization does not own, nor does it plan to acquire, property or equipment of significant value.

L. Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue arises when potential revenue does not meet the criteria for recognition in the current period and when resources are received by the organization prior to the incurrence of expenses. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, the liability for deferred revenue is removed from the statement of financial position and revenue is recognized.

M. <u>Income Taxes</u>

Compass Charter Schools is a 509(a)(1) publicly supported nonprofit organization that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(a) and 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and classified by the Internal Revenue Service as other than a private foundation. The Organization is exempt from state franchise or income tax under Section 23701(d) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. As an organization operating schools, the Organization is not required to register with the California Attorney General as a charity.

The Organization's management believes all of its significant tax positions would be upheld under examination; therefore, no provision for income tax has been recorded. The Organization's information and/or tax returns are subject to examination by the regulatory authorities for up to four years from the date of filing.

N. New Accounting Pronouncement

In August 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2016-14, *Not-for-Profit Entities* (*Topic 958*): *Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for Profit Entities* whereby significant changes were proposed in seven areas: net asset classes, liquidity and availability of resources, classification and disclosure of underwater endowment funds, expense reporting, statement of cash flows, investment return, and release of restrictions on capital assets. The amendments in ASU No. 2016-14 are effective for annual financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017. The Organization has not yet determined the impact on the financial statements.

NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

O. Fair Value Measurements

The Fair Value Measurements Topic of the FASB *Accounting Standards Codification* establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes 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 are described below:

- Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.
- Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.
- Level 3 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents as of June 30, 2017, consist of the following:

Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,376,306
Cash in county treasury	509,631
Cash in banks, non-interest bearing	\$ 866,675

Cash in Banks - Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, an organization's deposits may not be returned to it. Compass Charter Schools does not have a policy for custodial credit risk for deposits. The FDIC insures up to \$250,000 per depositor per insured bank. As of June 30, 2017, \$713,571 of Compass Charter Schools' bank balance was exposed to custodial credit risk as there were deposits over \$250,000 at Chase Bank.

Cash in County Treasury

Compass Charter Schools is a voluntary participant in an external investment pool for some of its charter schools. The fair value of the Organization's investment in the pool is reported in the financial statements at amounts based upon the Organization's pro-rata share of the fair value provided by the County Treasurer for the entire portfolio in relation to the amortized cost of that portfolio. The balance available for withdrawal is recorded on the amortized cost basis and is based on the accounting records maintained by the County Treasurer.

NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (continued)

Cash in County Treasury (continued)

Except for investments by trustees of debt proceeds, the authority to invest Organization funds deposited with the county treasury is delegated to the County Treasurer and Tax Collector. Additional information about the investment policy of the County Treasurer and Tax Collector may be obtained from its website. The table below identifies examples of the investment types permitted in the California Government Code:

	Maximum	Maximum	Maximum
Authorized	Remaining	Percentage	Investment
Investment Type	Maturity	of Portfolio	in One Issuer
Local Agency Bonds, Notes, Warrants	5 years	None	None
Registered State Bonds, Notes, Warrants	5 years	None	None
U.S. Treasury Obligations	5 years	None	None
U.S. Agency Securities	5 years	None	None
Banker's Acceptance	180 days	40%	30%
Commercial Paper	270 days	25%	10%
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	5 years	30%	None
Repurchase Agreements	1 year	None	None
Reverse Repurchase Agreements	92 days	20% of base	None
Medium-Term Corporate Notes	5 years	30%	None
Mutual Funds	N/A	20%	10%
Money Market Mutual Funds	N/A	20%	10%
Mortgage Pass-Through Securities	5 years	20%	None
County Pooled Investment Funds	N/A	None	None
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	N/A	None	None
Joint Powers Authority Pools	N/A	None	None

Investments in the County Treasury investment pools and/or local agency investment funds/state investment pools are not measured using the fair value input levels noted in Note 1O because the Organization's transactions are based on a stable net asset value per share. All contributions and redemptions are transactions at \$1.00 net asset value per share.

NOTE 3 – INVESTMENTS

Investments as of June 30, 2017, consist of the following:

Certificates of deposit	\$ 2,503,411
Cash and money market funds	 505,892
Total Investments	\$ 3,009,303

These investments are held in cash, money market funds, and certificates of deposit and are the only funds classified as investments in the statement of financial position. The investment is carried at amortized cost. These types of investments do not qualify as securities as defined in FASB ASC 320, *Investments – Debt and Equity Securities*, thus the fair value disclosures required by ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, are not provided.

NOTE 4 – ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable as of June 30, 2017 consists of the following:

Local control funding formula sources	\$ 4,054,233
Federal revenues	26,290
Other state sources	37,577
In lieu of property tax payments	973,960
Other local sources	56,968
Total Accounts Receivable	\$ 5,149,028

NOTE 5 – ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Accounts payable as of June 30, 2017 consists of the following:

Due to grantor governments	\$ 417,575
Legal settlement*	550,000
Credit card liabilities	30,971
Payroll liabilities	308,512
Vendor payables	174,284
Total Accounts Payable	\$ 1,481,342

^{*}Refer to Legal Settlement under Note 7 on Commitments and Contingencies for more information.

NOTE 6 – TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Temporarily restricted net assets at June 30, 2017 consisted of the following:

State imposed restrictions	
Educator effectiveness	\$ 14,144
College readiness block grant	 110,498
Total Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	\$ 124,642

NOTE 7 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Governmental Funds

Compass Charter Schools has received state and federal funds for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. The Organization has undergone certain reviews and has experienced certain expenditure disallowances under the terms of the grants, which have been recorded in the financial statements. Any future such audits could generate additional expenditure disallowances under funding terms; however, it is believed that any required reimbursements would not be material.

NOTE 7 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (continued)

Funding Determinations

Nonclassroom-based funding determinations for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018 were initially denied for not meeting certain funding determination criteria; therefore, the Organization submitted mitigating circumstance requests to the State Board of Education (SBE). In a meeting held on June 7, 2016 of the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools (ACCS), an advisory body to the SBE, recommended that the SBE deny the mitigating circumstances for the remaining operated charter schools. As a result of the denied funding determinations, the charter schools operated by the Organization were not eligible for funding based on nonclassroom-based instruction from local control funding formula sources. These state funding sources represent over sixty-percent of the Organization's total revenue; therefore, the Organization planned for deficit spending in 2016-17.

In July 2017, the funding determinations for each of the schools in operating during 2016-17 were approved as a reconsideration with three (3) school approved for 100% funding and the other two (2) schools approved at 85%. Due to the timing of the funding determination approvals, the Organization may realize a one-time surplus and increase in local control funding formula sources resulting from prior period adjustments calculated by the California Department of Education (CDE).

Multi-employer Defined Benefit Plan Participation

Under current law on multiemployer defined benefit plans, the Organization's voluntary withdrawal from any underfunded multiemployer defined benefit plan would require the Organization to make payments to the plan, which would approximate the Organization's proportionate share of the multiemployer plan's unfunded vested liabilities. California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS) has estimated that the Organization's share of withdrawal liability is approximately \$5,386,229 as of June 30, 2016. The Organization does not currently intend to have its operated charter schools withdraw from CalSTRS. Refer to Note 8 for additional information on employee retirement plans.

Legal Settlement

In April 2017, the Organization agreed to a settlement agreement and release with the New Jerusalem Elementary School District (the "District") to resolve all claims, issues, disputes, and appeals related to a legal action under *New Jerusalem Elementary School District v. Academy of Arts and Sciences Charter School*, a case with the Superior Court of San Joaquin. As a result of the settlement agreement, the Organization agreed to an initial payment of one million dollars to the District, as well as monthly installment payments in the amount of \$50,000 for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months beginning July 1, 2017. The total amount of the legal settlement payable from the Organization to the District is \$1,600,000. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the Organization paid the initial payment and one monthly payment for a total of \$1,050,000 paid to the District thus far. As of June 30, 2017, \$550,000 remained payable to the District and is expected to be fully paid during the 2017-18 fiscal year.

NOTE 8 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS

Qualified employees are covered under multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans maintained by agencies of the State of California. In accordance with *California Education Code* 47605, charter schools have the option of participating in such plans if an election to participate is specified within the charter petition. The Charters have made such election. Certificated employees are members of the California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS). The Organization offers all employees social security as an alternative plan to those who may not qualify for CalSTRS.

<u>California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS)</u>

Plan Description

Compass Charter Schools contributes to the California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system defined benefit pension plan administered by CalSTRS. The plan provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by state statutes, as legislatively amended, within the State Teachers' Retirement Law. CalSTRS issues a separate comprehensive annual financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. Copies of the CalSTRS annual financial report may be obtained from CalSTRS, 7667 Folsom Boulevard; Sacramento, California 95826.

Funding Policy

Active plan members are required to contribute 10.25% or 9.205% of their 2016-17 salary depending on the employee's membership date in the plan. The required employer contribution rate for fiscal year 2016-17 was 12.58% of annual payroll. The contribution requirements of the plan members are established by state statute. Compass Charter Schools' contributions to CalSTRS for the past three years are as follows:

			Percent of Required
	Co	ntribution	Contribution
2016-17	\$	511,730	100%
2015-16	\$	359,120	100%
2014-15	\$	581,189	100%

On-Behalf Payments

The State of California makes direct on-behalf payments for retirement benefits to CalSTRS on behalf of all school agencies in California. The amount of on-behalf payments made for Compass Charter Schools charter schools in operation during 2015-16 is estimated at \$202,730 for 2016-17, which is computed as the proportionate share of total 2015-16 State on-behalf contributions.

NOTE 9 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Authorizing Agency

The Charters make payments to the authorizing agencies specified in Note 1A, to provide purchased services in addition to fees for oversight. In accordance with California Education Code 47613(a), the authorizing agency may charge actual costs of oversight not to exceed 1% of revenue from local control funding formula sources. Total oversight fees paid or payable to the authorizing agencies amounted to \$185,105 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

Interagency Activity

Receivables and payables due between the charter schools are classified as due to/from related entities within the Statement of Financial Position by Charter. Cash in bank balances are maintained by the Organization as a whole and are noted as due from related entities within the Statement of Position by Charter. Additionally, some charter schools covered certain operating expenses during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. Interagency transactions and balances are eliminated in the financial statements of Compass Charter Schools to better reflect the true activities of the corporation.

Effective June 30, 2016, the Organization voluntarily closed five (5) charter schools and merged operations into the remaining charter schools. As such, the ending balances for three (3) schools in San Diego County were merged into Compass Charter Schools of San Diego (No. 1454), one (1) school in Ventura County was merged with Academy of Arts & Sciences: Thousand Oaks (No. 1455), and one (1) school in Los Angeles County was merged with Compass Charter Schools of Los Angeles. The transfers of these balances are noted as nonoperating activity on the Statement of Activities by Charter.

NOTE 10 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

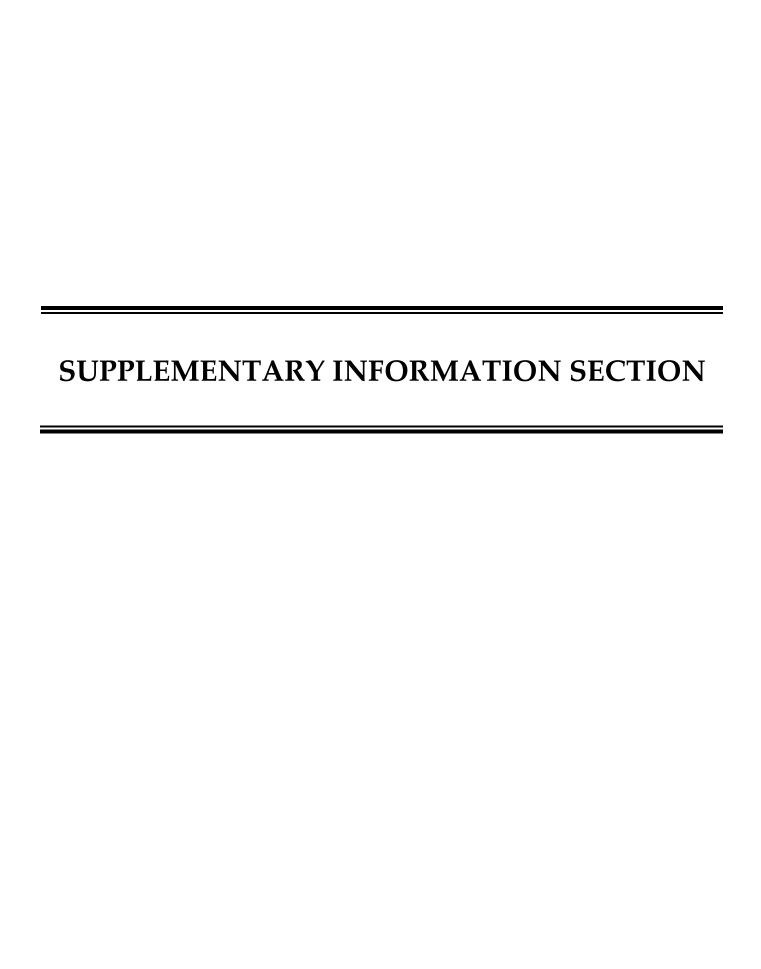
Compass Charter Schools has evaluated subsequent events for the period from June 30, 2017 through November 17, 2017, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

In July 2017, funding determinations for nonclassroom-based instruction were reconsidered and approved for funding for all five (5) charter schools in operation during 2016-17. Refer to Note 7 for additional information.

Effective June 30, 2017, the following charter schools discontinued operations due to voluntary closures:

Charter School	Charter No.	County	Status
AAS: Thousand Oaks & Simi Valley	1455	Ventura	Closed
AAS: Sonoma	1457	Sonoma	Closed

Management did not identify any other transactions that require disclosure or that would have an impact on the financial statements.



COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION BY CHARTER JUNE 30, 2017

California Charter No.		1454		1455		1457		1631	-	1651						
	Com	pass Charter	Acad	demy of Arts	Aca	demy of Arts			Com	pass Charter						
	Sch	nools of San	&	Sciences:	&	Sciences:	Comp	oass Charter	Sch	nools of Los	Otl	ner Projects	Ir	nteragency	Or	ganization
		Diego	Tho	usand Oaks		Sonoma	Scho	ols of Fresno		Angeles	& (Operations	Eli	iminations		Total
ASSETS																
Current assets																
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	288,201	\$	-	\$	183,891	\$	37,539	\$	-	\$	866,675	\$	-	\$	1,376,306
Investments		-		-		-		-		-		3,009,303		-		3,009,303
Accounts receivable		1,685,300		89,276		802,383		634,463		1,880,647		56,959		-		5,149,028
Prepaid expenses		5,570		-		-		292		833		39,966		-		46,661
Due from related entities		2,089,854		3,069,618		-		-		-		2,830,755		(7,990,227)		-
Total Assets	\$	4,068,925	\$	3,158,894	\$	986,274	\$	672,294	\$	1,881,480	\$	6,803,658	\$	(7,990,227)	\$	9,581,298
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS																
Current liabilities																
Accounts payable	\$	156,935	\$	141,547	\$	73,503	\$	12,339	\$	33,250	\$	1,063,768	\$	-	\$	1,481,342
Loans payable		-		-		_		-		-		-		-		-
Due to related entities		-		2,273		1,249,085		531,995		1,047,402		5,159,472		(7,990,227)		-
Total liabilities		156,935		143,820		1,322,588		544,334		1,080,652		6,223,240		(7,990,227)		1,481,342
Net assets																
Unrestricted		3,876,876		3,015,074		(336,314)		60,031		779,229		580,418		-		7,975,314
Temporarily restricted		35,114		-		-		67,929		21,599		-		-		124,642
Total net assets		3,911,990		3,015,074		(336,314)		127,960		800,828		580,418		-		8,099,956
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	4,068,925	\$	3,158,894	\$	986,274	\$	672,294	\$	1,881,480	\$	6,803,658	\$	(7,990,227)	\$	9,581,298

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES BY CHARTER FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Compass Charter Schools of San Diego			Academy of Arts & Sciences: Thousand Oaks				
California Charter No.		1454		1455				
		Temporarily						
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total		
SUPPORT AND REVENUES								
Federal and state support and revenues								
Local control funding formula, state aid	\$ 1,279,407	\$ -	\$ 1,279,407	\$ (159,892)	\$ - \$	(159,892)		
Federal revenues	39,877	-	39,877	-	-	-		
Other state revenues	104,245	75,000	179,245	252,417	11,117	263,534		
Total federal and state support and revenues	1,423,529	75,000	1,498,529	92,525	11,117	103,642		
Local support and revenues								
Payments in lieu of property taxes	540,932	-	540,932	87,318	-	87,318		
Investment income, net	19,155	-	19,155	4,313	-	4,313		
Other local revenues	168,986	-	168,986	69,473	-	69,473		
Total local support and revenues	729,073	-	729,073	161,104	-	161,104		
Donor restrictions satisfied	115,379	(115,379)	-	88,200	(88,200)	-		
Total Support and Revenues	2,267,981	(40,379)	2,227,602	341,829	(77,083)	264,746		
OPERATING EXPENSES								
Program services	3,367,551	-	3,367,551	1,485,333	-	1,485,333		
Management and general	590,104	-	590,104	487,005	-	487,005		
Total Expenses	3,957,655	-	3,957,655	1,972,338	_	1,972,338		
Increase (decrease) in Net Assets from								
Operating Activities	(1,689,674	(40,379)	(1,730,053)	(1,630,509)	(77,083)	(1,707,592)		
NONOPERATING REVENUES								
Transfer from merger of charter schools	5,201,498	63,321	5,264,819	3,153,300	35,753	3,189,053		
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	3,511,824	22,942	3,534,766	1,522,791	(41,330)	1,481,461		
Net Assets - Beginning	365,052	12,172	377,224	1,492,283	41,330	1,533,613		
Net Assets - Ending	\$ 3,876,876	\$ 35,114	\$ 3,911,990	\$ 3,015,074	\$ - \$	3,015,074		

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES BY CHARTER, continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Academ	Academy of Arts & Sciences: Sonoma				Compass	Charter Schoo	ls of I	resno	
California Charter No.			1457		1631					
		Temporarily			Temporarily					
	Unrestricted	R	lestricted	Total	Ur	restricted	Restricted		Total	
SUPPORT AND REVENUES										
Federal and state support and revenues										
Local control funding formula, state aid	\$ 250,63	6 \$	- \$	250,636	\$	550,312	\$ -	\$	550,312	
Federal revenues	38,10	0	-	38,100		-	-		-	
Other state revenues	114,43	3	17,815	132,248		40,597	75,000	1	115,597	
Total federal and state support and revenues	403,16	9	17,815	420,984		590,909	75,000	1	665,909	
Local support and revenues										
Payments in lieu of property taxes	550,06	5	-	550,065		87,416	-		87,416	
Investment income, net	30,32	3	-	30,323		4,958	-		4,958	
Other local revenues	72,72	0	-	72,720		94,440	-		94,440	
Total local support and revenues	653,10	8	-	653,108		186,814	-		186,814	
Donor restrictions satisfied	31,45	4	(31,454)	-		16,750	(16,750)	_	
Total Support and Revenues	1,087,73	1	(13,639)	1,074,092		794,473	58,250	ı	852,723	
OPERATING EXPENSES										
Program services	1,355,77	4	-	1,355,774		1,078,796	-		1,078,796	
Management and general	191,21	4	-	191,214		139,001	-		139,001	
Total Expenses	1,546,98	8	-	1,546,988		1,217,797	-		1,217,797	
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(459,25	7)	(13,639)	(472,896)		(423,324)	58,250	١	(365,074)	
Net Assets - Beginning	122,94	3	13,639	136,582		483,355	9,679	1	493,034	
Net Assets - Ending	\$ (336,31	4) \$	- \$	(336,314)	\$	60,031	\$ 67,929	\$	127,960	

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES BY CHARTER, continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Compass Charter Schools of Los Angeles . 1651							
California Charter No.								
			Tem	porarily				
	Uı	nrestricted	Res	stricted		Total		
SUPPORT AND REVENUES								
Federal and state support and revenues								
Local control funding formula, state aid	\$	2,602,252	\$	-	\$	2,602,252		
Federal revenues		3,683		-		3,683		
Other state revenues		148,131		75,000		223,131		
Total federal and state support and revenues		2,754,066		75,000		2,829,066		
Local support and revenues								
Payments in lieu of property taxes		123,529		-		123,529		
Investment income, net		19,742		-		19,742		
Other local revenues		194,570		-		194,570		
Total local support and revenues		337,841		-		337,841		
Donor restrictions satisfied		81,969		(81,969)		-		
Total Support and Revenues		3,173,876		(6,969)		3,166,907		
OPERATING EXPENSES								
Program services		3,910,662		-		3,910,662		
Management and general		675,388		-		675,388		
Total Expenses		4,586,050		-		4,586,050		
Increase (decrease) in Net Assets from								
Operating Activities		(1,412,174)		(6,969)		(1,419,143)		
NONOPERATING REVENUES								
Transfer from merger of charter schools		1,450,654		15,956		1,466,610		
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		38,480		8,987		47,467		
Net Assets - Beginning		740,749		12,612		753,361		
Net Assets - Ending	\$	779,229	\$	21,599	\$	800,828		

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS CHARTER ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE JUNE 30, 2017

Compass Charter Schools (the "Organization") was formed as a nonprofit public benefit corporation on October 28, 2011 under the name Academy of Arts & Sciences. In February 2017, the Organization changed its name to Compass Charter Schools. As of June 30, 2017, the Organization operated five (5) California public charter schools in five counties. The following is a list of all charter schools operated by the Organization during 2016-17:

		Classes	Authorizing	
Charter School	Charter No.	Began	Agency	County
Compass Charter Schools of San Diego	1454	8/27/2012	MEUSD	San Diego
Previously Academy of Arts and Sciences: Del Mar Middle & High	(6-12)			
Academy of Arts and Sciences: Thousand Oaks & Simi Valley	1455	8/15/2012	MESD	Ventura
Academy of Arts and Sciences: Sonoma	1457	9/28/2012	CRPUSD	Sonoma
Compass Charter Schools of Fresno	1631	7/1/2014	OC	Fresno
Previously Academy of Arts and Sciences: Fresno				
Compass Charter Schools of Los Angeles	1651	7/1/2014	AADUSD	Los Angeles

Previously Academy of Arts and Sciences: Los Angeles (9-12)

AADUSD – Acton-Agua Dulce Unified District MESD – Mupu Elementary School District CRPUSD – Cotati-Rohnert Park Unified School District

MEUSD – Mountain Empire Unified School District

OC – Orange Center School District

The Board of Directors of Compass Charter Schools oversees the operations for all charter schools of the Organization. As of June 30, 2017, the members of the board and administrators are as follows:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee	Office	Term Ending			
Peter McDonald	Chair	June 2017			
Joe Cummings	Director	June 2018			
Matt Koblick	Director	June 2018			
Lisa Robotham	Parent Representative	No Term Limit			
Kathy Granger	District Representative & Treasurer	No Term Limit			

ADMINISTRATION

James (J.J.) Lewis

President & CEO

Lisa Fishman

Director of Operations

Mae Van Vooren

Director of Strategic Initiatives

See accompanying note to the supplementary information.

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS SCHEDULE OF AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

No Classroom-Based Average Daily Attendance (ADA) was generated or reported during the fiscal year 2016-17 by any charter school operated by the Organization.

SECOND PERIOD REPORT: AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE (ADA) - NON-CLASSROOM BASED

California Charter No.	1454	1455	1457	1631	1651
	Compass	Academy of Arts	Academy of Arts	Compass	Compass
	Charter Schools	& Sciences:	& Sciences:	Charter Schools	Charter Schools
	of San Diego	Thousand Oaks	Sonoma	of Fresno	of Los Angeles
Grade Span					
Grades K - 3*	95.57	18.57	16.94	20.46	77.13
Grades 4 - 6	68.75	12.02	18.30	17.36	58.45
Grades 7 - 8	41.33	8.84	19.03	13.25	47.93
Grades 9 - 12	77.50	21.87	46.24	23.89	116.34
Total ADA -					
Non-Classroom Based	283.15	61.30	100.51	74.96	299.85

ANNUAL REPORT: AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE (ADA) - NON-CLASSROOM BASED

California Charter No.	1454	1455	1457	1631	1651
	Compass	Academy of Arts	Academy of Arts	Compass	Compass
	Charter Schools	& Sciences:	& Sciences:	Charter Schools	Charter Schools
	of San Diego	Thousand Oaks	Sonoma	of Fresno	of Los Angeles
Grade Span					
Grades K - 3*	103.34	21.17	19.04	24.52	88.31
Grades 4 - 6	73.58	13.34	20.30	20.15	67.84
Grades 7 - 8	46.12	9.39	22.49	14.87	58.38
Grades 9 - 12	84.94	24.47	49.29	25.86	134.71
Total ADA -					_
Non-Classroom Based	307.98	68.37	111.12	85.40	349.24

^{*}Includes Transitional Kindergarten (TK)

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL REPORT – ALTERNATIVE FORM WITH AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

California Charter No.	1454			1455		1457
		Compass		Academy of		Academy of
	Cha	rter Schools	Arts & Sciences:		Ar	ts & Sciences:
	of	San Diego	Thousand Oaks			Sonoma
June 30, 2017, fund balance per alternative form	\$	4,046,612	\$	3,011,519	\$	(339,706)
Adjustments:						_
Increase (decrease) in total net assets:						
Overstatement of in lieu of property taxes		(134,622)		-		-
Adjustment to expenses		-		3,555		3,392
June 30, 2017, net assets per audited financial						
statements	\$	3,911,990	\$	3,015,074	\$	(336,314)

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, there were no adjustments made to reconcile fund balance reported on the Financial Report – Alternative Form to net assets per the audited financial statements for the following charter schools:

Compass Charter Schools of Fresno (Charter No. 1631) Compass Charter Schools of Los Angeles (Charter No. 1651)

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS NOTES TO THE SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 1 – PURPOSE OF SCHEDULES

A. Statements by Charter

Compass Charter Schools' statements of financial position, and activities by school provide information supporting the amounts incorporated in the Organization's financial statements, which include results from both schools operated by the corporation.

B. Charter Organizational Structure

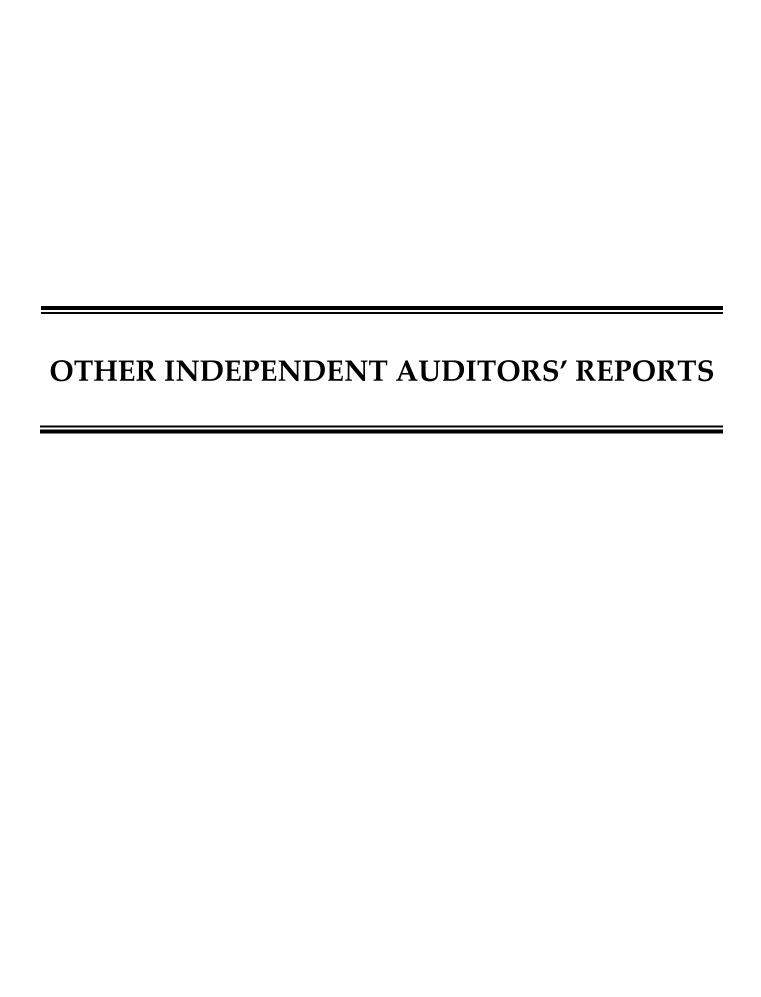
This schedule provides information about the charter schools' authorizing agencies, grades served, members of the governing body, and members of the administration.

C. Schedule of Average Daily Attendance (ADA)

Average daily attendance (ADA) is a measurement of the number of pupils attending classes of the charter school. The purpose of attendance accounting from a fiscal standpoint is to provide the basis on which apportionments of state funds are made to charter schools. This schedule provides information regarding the attendance of students at various grade levels and in different programs.

D. Reconciliation of Financial Report - Alternative Form with Audited Financial Statements

This schedule provides the information necessary to reconcile fund balance reported on the Financial Report – Alternative Form to net assets on the audited financial statements.





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

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors of Compass Charter Schools Thousand Oaks, California

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 Compass Charter Schools (the "Organization") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Organization's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 17, 2017.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Organization's internal control over financial reporting ("internal control") to determine the auditing 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 Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization'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 Organization's financial statements are free of 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.

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.

San Diego, California

Christy White Ossociates

November 17, 2017



REPORT ON STATE COMPLIANCE

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors of Compass Charter Schools Thousand Oaks, California

Report on State Compliance

We have audited Compass Charter Schools' compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the 2016-17 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting, prescribed in Title 5, California Code of Regulations, section 19810, that could have a direct and material effect on each of Compass Charter Schools' state programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, as identified below. Reference to Compass Charter Schools within this letter is inclusive of all charter schools referenced in Note 1A of the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its state programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Compass Charter Schools' state programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance 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 2016-17 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting, prescribed in Title 5, California Code of Regulations, section 19810. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the state programs noted below occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Compass Charter Schools' compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance with the requirements referred to above. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Compass Charter Schools' compliance with those requirements.

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Opinion on State Compliance

In our opinion, Compass Charter Schools complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that are applicable to the state programs noted in the table below for the year ended June 30, 2017.

Procedures Performed

In connection with the audit referred to above, we selected and tested transactions and records to determine Compass Charter Schools' compliance with the state laws and regulations applicable to the following items:

	Procedures
Description	Performed
School Districts, County Office of Education and Charter Schools	
Educator Effectiveness	Yes
California Clean Energy Jobs Act	No
After School Education and Safety Program:	Not applicable
Proper Expenditure of Education Protection Account Funds	Yes
Unduplicated Local Control Funding Formula Pupil Counts	Yes
Local Control and Accountability Plan	Yes
Independent Study – Couse Based	Not applicable
Immunizations	Yes
Charter Schools	
Attendance	Yes
Mode of Instruction	Not applicable
Nonclassroom-Based Instruction/Independent Study for	
Charter Schools	Yes
Determination of Funding for Nonclassroom-Based Instruction	Yes
Annual Instructional Minutes – Classroom Based	Not applicable
Charter School Facility Grant Program	Not applicable

We did not perform procedures for the California Clean Energy Jobs Act because no funds were expended nor projects completed during 2016-17 for any of the charter schools.

San Diego, California November 17, 2017

Christy White Ossociates



COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	
Type of auditors' report issued:	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	No
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	None Reported
Non-compliance material to financial statements noted?	No
FEDERAL AWARDS The Organization did not expend more than \$750,000 in federal awards during the fiscal year, therefore, a Federal Single Audit is not applicable.	
STATE AWARDS	
Internal control over state programs:	
Material weaknesses identified?	No
Significant deficiency (ies) identified?	None Reported
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for state programs:	Unmodified

COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

FIVE DIGIT CODE

20000 30000 **AB 3627 FINDING TYPE**

Inventory of Equipment Internal Control

There were no audit findings related to financial statements during 2016-17.

STATE AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

FIVE DIGIT CODE	AB 3627 FINDING TYPE
10000	Attendance
40000	State Compliance
42000	Charter School Facilities Programs
60000	Miscellaneous
61000	Classroom Teacher Salaries
62000	Local Control Accountability Plan
70000	Instructional Materials
71000	Teacher Misassignments
72000	School Accountability Report Card

There were no audit findings or questioned costs related to state awards during 2016-17.

FINDING 2016-1: FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORTING (30000)

Criteria: Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) requires the presentation, in either a statement of activities or the notes to the financial statements, of information about expenses reported by their functional classification, such as major classes of program services and supporting activities. Though not required by GAAP, fund accounting may be used for internal recordkeeping to properly segregate assets, liabilities, and fund balances into separate accounting entities; thus, it can be used to track an organization's fiduciary responsibilities to ensure use of assets in accordance with donor-imposed or government mandated restrictions.

Condition: During our substantive audit procedures, we noted that no allocation was performed for reporting of expenses on a functional basis prior to the financial audit. Information was made available subsequent to fieldwork following audit recommendations. Additionally, fund accounting was utilized within the accounting software to track financial data required to be reported by each public charter school to the California Department of Education (CDE). Based on review of financial statements, balance sheet items did not properly reconcile to data reported by charter school to the CDE. One common operating checking account was maintained by the Academy for all banking activities and a lack of proper fund accounting caused for inadequate tracking of cash balances by charter school. Additionally, transactions involving inter-agency receivables/payables were not properly maintained, requiring several audit adjustments.

Cause: Accounting software limitations as well as miscommunications and ineffective practices by the business services provider coupled with inadequate review of financial statements by Academy management personnel.

Effect: Potential for financial statements to not be presented in accordance with GAAP with relation to functional expenses. Additionally, activities and account balances could be inappropriately reported to the CDE with regards to financial reporting by charter school.

Recommendation: We recommend that Academy management properly review financial data prepared by third-party consultants to ensure for proper presentation of financial data in accordance with GAAP. Additionally, we recommend that proper fund accounting be implemented if this method of accounting will be utilized to ensure accurate reporting of financial data to reporting agencies for each of its public charter school.

Academy's Response: Academy of Arts and Sciences has contracted with a new back-office provider, CSMC. In addition, a Finance Committee has been formed and meets on a monthly basis to review the Balance Sheet and Year to Date Actual to Budget.

Current Status: Implemented

FINDING 2016-2: ATTENDANCE FROM NON CLASSROOM-BASED INSTRUCTION (10000) (continued)

Effect: Inaccurate reporting of ADA and noncompliance with State requirements. The ADA effects by charter school, grade span and reporting period are noted below:

		P-2	Annual
Charter School/Condition	Grade Span	ADA Effect	ADA Effect
Academy of Art & Sciences: Fresno			
Condition a) previously mentioned	4 - 6	0.10	NA*
Condition b) previously mentioned	K - 3	1.00	1.00
Condition b) previously mentioned	4 - 6	0.37	0.28
Total ADA Effect for AAS: Fresno		1.47	1.28
Academy of Arts & Sciences: Oxnard & V	Ventura		
Condition b) previously mentioned	K - 3	0.51	0.33
Condition c) previously mentioned	9 - 12	0.17	0.13
Total ADA Effect for AAS: Oxnard &	v Ventura	0.68	0.46
Academy of Arts & Sciences: Sonoma			
Condition b) previously mentioned	K - 3	1.97	1.98
Condition c) previously mentioned	9 - 12	0.08	0.05
Total ADA Effect for AAS: Sonoma		2.05	2.03
Academy of Arts & Sciences: Del Mar Ele	ementary (K-5)		
Condition b) previously mentioned	K - 3	2.00	2.00
Total ADA Effect for AAS: Del Mar	Elementary	2.00	2.00
Academy of Arts & Sciences: El Cajon El	ementary (K-5)		
Condition b) previously mentioned	K - 3	0.79	0.50
Total ADA Effect for AAS: El Cajon	Elementary	0.79	0.50
Grand Tota	al - All Schools	6.99	6.27

^{*}NA-Not applicable. The student was removed from the student information system as enrolled in this charter school prior to reporting of Annual attendance data; therefore, there is no effect on Annual ADA.

FINDING 2016-2: ATTENDANCE FROM NON CLASSROOM-BASED INSTRUCTION (10000) (continued)

Cause: Proper procedures for enrollment of students and review of student master agreements prior to start of instruction are not being adhered to in order to ensure for compliance with independent study attendance requirements.

Questioned Cost: A total of \$54,610 was calculated as due from the Academy for all noted attendance exceptions referenced above. Please refer to the following page for the calculation of this questioned cost and the impact by charter school.

			A	djusted		
	Overstated	Overstated	Bas	se Grant	Qu	estioned
	P-2 ADA	Annual ADA	pe	er ADA		Cost
Academy of Art & Sciences: Fresno						
Grade Span						
Kindergarten through third	1.00	1.00	\$	7,820	\$	7,820
Fourth through sixth	0.47	0.28	\$	7,189		3,379
Total AAS: Fresno	1.47	1.28				11,199
Academy of Arts & Sciences: Oxnard & V	⁷ entura					
Grade Span						
Kindergarten through third	0.51	0.33	\$	7,820		3,988
Ninth through twelfth	0.17	0.13	\$	8,801		1,496
Total AAS: Oxnard &Ventura	0.68	0.46				5,484
Academy of Arts & Sciences: Sonoma						
Grade Span						
Kindergarten through third	1.97	1.98	\$	7,820		15,405
Ninth through twelfth	0.08	0.05	\$	8,801		704
Total AAS: Sonoma	2.05	2.03				16,109
Academy of Arts & Sciences: Del Mar Ele	mentary (K-5)					
Grade Span	-					
Kindergarten through third	2.00	2.00	\$	7,820		15,640
Total AAS: Del Mar Elementary	2.00	2.00				15,640
Academy of Arts & Sciences: El Cajon Ele	ementary (K-5)					
Grade Span						
Kindergarten through third	0.79	0.50	\$	7,820		6,178
Total AAS: El Cajon Elementary	0.79	0.50				6,178
Grand Total - All Schools	6.99	6.27			\$	54,610

FINDING 2016-2: ATTENDANCE FROM NON CLASSROOM-BASED INSTRUCTION (10000) (continued)

Recommendations: We recommend that proper procedures be established to ensure that the data within the attendance system and the student's file are accurate.

Academy's Response: Academy of Arts and Sciences has modified its enrollment and approval process for incoming scholars. Additional checkpoints have been created for the Enrollment Coordinator and Information Services Manager. Internal auditing will occur on a weekly basis by the Executive Assistant to the CEO.

Current Status: Implemented.

FINDING 2016-3: INDEPENDENT STUDY RATIO (40000)

Criteria: In accordance with California Education Code (EC) Section 51745.6, the ratio of average daily attendance (ADA) for independent study pupils to full-time equivalent (FTE) certificated employees responsible for independent study is not to exceed the equivalent ratio of ADA to FTE identified as the comparative ratio. Pursuant to EC Section 51745.6(d) and California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title V, Section 11704, the comparative ratio for charter schools is the prior year ratio for all other non-independent study educational programs of the largest unified school district in the county or counties in which they operate, or a fixed ratio of 25 to 1.

Condition: Upon review of nonclassroom-based or independent study ADA and teacher FTE counts, we noted three (3) of the ten (10) charter schools operated by the Academy exceeded the comparative ratio of 25 to 1.

AAS: Del Mar Elementary (K-5)

• A ratio of 27.1 to 1 was calculated based on reported P-2 ADA of 92.06 and a teacher FTE of 3.40.

AAS: Del Mar Middle & High (6-12)

• A ratio of 29.0 to 1 was calculated based on reported P-2 ADA of 205.69 and a teacher FTE of 7.10.

AAS: Thousand Oaks & Simi Valley

• A ratio of 31.0 to 1 was calculated based on reported P-2 ADA of 372.46 and a teacher FTE of 12.00.

FINDING 2016-3: INDEPENDENT STUDY RATIO (40000) (continued)

Effect: The charter schools are not in compliance with State requirements. Calculation of excess ADA in total by charter school and allocation by grade span for each charter school are as follows:

Calculation of Excess ADA by Charter:

	P-2	Teacher	Ratio	Excess	Total		
Charter School	ADA	FTE	to 1 ADA	per FTE	Excess ADA		
Del Mar Elementary (K-5)	92.06	3.40	27.1	2.1	7.1		
Del Mar Middle & High (6-12)	205.69	7.10	29.0	4.0	28.4		
Thousand Oaks & Simi Valley	372.46	12.00	31.0	6.0	72.0		
			Total	Total Excess ADA			

Allocation of Excess ADA by Grade Span (based on P-2 ADA):

	Grades	Grades	Grades	Grades	Total
Charter School	K-3	4 - 6	7 - 8	9 – 12	Excess ADA
Del Mar Elementary (K-5)	4.7	2.4	0.0	0.0	7.1
Del Mar Middle & High (6-12)	0.0	3.3	5.9	19.2	28.4
Thousand Oaks & Simi Valley	9.0	8.1	10.6	44.3	72.0
			Total Exc	ess P-2 ADA	107.5

Allocation of Excess ADA by Grade Span (based on Annual ADA):

	Grades	Grades	Grades	Grades	Total
Charter School	K-3	4 - 6	7 - 8	9 – 12	Excess ADA
Del Mar Elementary (K-5)	3.3	1.6	0.0	0.0	4.9
Del Mar Middle & High (6-12)	0.0	2.3	4.1	13.5	19.9
Thousand Oaks & Simi Valley	6.5	5.9	7.6	31.0	51.0
					75.8

Cause: The charter school did not monitor internal staffing requirements to maintain the required student to teacher ratios, but instead relied on services of instructional consultants to aid in instruction of students in excess of teacher 25 to 1 averages.

FINDING 2016-3: INDEPENDENT STUDY RATIO (40000) (continued)

Questioned Costs: \$870,102 as calculated below. The calculation is based off of excess ADA at P-2. There is no effect on funding with regard to any Annual ADA adjustments.

		,	isted Base	Qι	uestioned
	Excess ADA	Gran	t per ADA		Cost
Del Mar Elementary (K-5)					
Grade Span					
Kindergarten through third	(4.7)	\$	7,820	\$	(36,754)
Fourth through sixth	(2.4)	\$	7,189		(17,254)
Total Del Mar Elementary (K-5)	(7.1)				(36,754)
Del Mar Middle & High (6-12)					
Grade Span					
Fourth through sixth	(3.3)	\$	7,189		(23,724)
Seventh through eighth	(5.9)	\$	7,403		(43,678)
Ninth through twelfth	(19.2)	\$	8,801		(168,979)
Total Del Mar Middle & High (6-12)	(28.4)				(236,381)
Thousand Oaks					
Grade Span					
Kindergarten through third	(9.0)	\$	7,820		(70,380)
Fourth through sixth	(8.1)	\$	7,189		(58,231)
Seventh through eighth	(10.6)	\$	7,403		(78,472)
Ninth through twelfth	(44.3)	\$	8,801		(389,884)
Total Thousand Oaks	(72.0)				(596,967)
Grand Totals	(107.5)			\$	(870,102)

Recommendation: We recommend that student enrollment and staffing be closely monitored and adjusted when necessary to ensure compliance with independent study ADA to teacher FTE ratios.

Academy's Response: Academy of Arts and Sciences no longer relies on instructional consultants to aid in instruction. Weekly reports are generated to track and monitor scholar to teacher ratios. Internal auditing will occur on a weekly basis by the Director of Academic Affairs and Director of Operations.

Current Status: Implemented.

FINDING 2016-4: UNDUPLICATED LOCAL CONTROL FUNDING FORMULA (LCFF) PUPIL COUNT (40000)

Criteria: Students classified as Free or Reduced Priced Meal (FRPM) eligible and/or English Learners (EL), who are not directly certified on the CALPADS 1.18 FRPM/English Learner/Foster Youth – Student List report, must have supporting documentation that indicates the student was eligible for this designation. The unduplicated local control funding formula pupil count affects the percentage used as data in calculating Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) apportionment. Auditors are required to verify compliance with California Education Code Section 42238.02(b)(3)(B) in Section W of the 2015-16 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting.

Condition: Based on review and testing of student designations from the 2015-16 CALPADS 1.18 FRPM/EnglishLearner/Foster Youth – Student List report for each charter, we noted the following:

AAS: Del Mar Elementary (K-5)

• Exception was noted for one (1) of five (5) students designated as FRPM. Supporting documentation for household income verification was not provided to verify student's FRPM status.

AAS: Del Mar Middle & High (6-12)

- Exceptions were noted for two (2) of four (4) students designated as FRPM. Supporting documentation for household income verification was not provided to verify student's FRPM status for one (1) student and the other student only had 2014-15 household income data provided. .
- Exception was noted for one (1) of two (2) students designated as EL and non-FRPM. Home language survey provided indicated the student should have been classified as English Only. .

AAS: El Cajon Elementary (K-5)

• Exception was noted for one (1) of two (2) students designated as FRPM. Supporting documentation for household income verification provided to verify student's FRPM status was from 2013-14.

AAS: El Cajon Middle & High (6-12)

• Exceptions were noted for four (4) of four (4) students designated as FRPM. One (1) student should have been designated as paid status, two (2) students only had 2013-14 income data on file and income verification documentation was not provided for the remaining student.

AAS: Oxnard & Ventura

• Exceptions were noted for two (2) of six (6) students designated as FRPM. One (1) student only had 2014-15 income data on file and income verification documentation was not provided for the remaining student.

AAS: Sonoma

• Exception was noted for one (1) of five (5) students designated as FRPM. Income verification documentation provided for the student indicated a paid status.

FINDING 2016-4: UNDUPLICATED LOCAL CONTROL FUNDING FORMULA (LCFF) PUPIL COUNT (40000) (continued)

Condition (continued):

AAS: Thousand Oaks & Simi Valley

- Exceptions were noted for four (4) of six (6) students designated as FRPM. Three (3) students should have been designated as paid status and income verification documentation was not provided for the remaining student.
- Exceptions were noted for one (1) of three (3) student designated as EL and non-FRPM. Home language survey provided indicated the student should have been classified as English Only.

AAS: Fresno

• Exception was noted for one (1) of five (5) students designated as FRPM. Supporting documentation for household income verification provided to verify student's FRPM status was from 2014-15.

AAS: Los Angeles K-8

- Exceptions were noted for two (2) of five (5) students designated as FRPM. The two (2) students only had 2014-15 income data on file.
- Exception was noted for one (1) of one (1) student designated as EL and non-FRPM. Home language survey provided indicated the student should have been classified as English Only.

Effect: The charter schools are not in compliance with State requirements. Errors in the Unduplicated Pupil Count per charter school were extrapolated by finding the percentage of error and multiplying by the number of students in each designation (FRPM, EL, or FRPM and EL). In cases where the total population was tested, the total actual error is noted. Errors per charter are as follows:

AAS: Del Mar Elementary (K-5) Extrapolated error is 6 of 31 for FRPM only or -6 pupil counts in error.

AAS: Del Mar Middle & High (6-12) Extrapolated error is 6 of 11 for FRPM only and 3 of 6 for EL only for a total of -9 pupil counts in error.

AAS: El Cajon Elementary (K-5) Total FRPM only population was tested; actual error is 1 of 2 or -1 pupil count.

AAS: El Cajon Middle & High (6-12) Extrapolated error is 7 of 7 for FRPM only or -7 pupil counts in error.

AAS: Oxnard & Ventura Extrapolated error is 3 of 8 for FRPM only or -3 pupil counts in error.

AAS: Sonoma Extrapolated error is 2 of 12 for FRPM only or -2 pupil counts in error.

AAS: Thousand Oaks & Simi Valley Extrapolated error is 27 of 41 for FRPM only and actual error for testing of total population is 1 of 3 for EL only for a total of -28 pupil counts in error.

AAS: Fresno Extrapolated error is 2 of 10 for FRPM only or -2 pupil counts in error.

AAS: Los Angeles K-8 Extrapolated error is 4 of 9 for FRPM only and actual error for testing of total population is 1 of 1 for EL only for a total of -5 pupil counts in error.

Cause: Documentation for FRPM and/or EL designations did not support the Unduplicated Pupil Count per charter school resulting in inaccuracies and support for designations was not retained by the charter schools.

FINDING 2016-4: UNDUPLICATED LOCAL CONTROL FUNDING FORMULA (LCFF) PUPIL COUNT (40000) (continued)

Questioned Costs: \$16,103

	AAS: Del Mar I	Elementary (K-5)	AAS: Del Mar Middle & High (9-12)		AAS: El Cajon Elementary (K-5)		AAS: El Cajon Middle & High (6-12)		AAS: Oxnard & Ventura	
	Section 1:	Section 2:	Section 1: Regular	Section 2:	Section 1: Regular	Section 2:	Section 1: Regular	Section 2:	Section 1: Regular	Section 2:
Unduplicated Pupil Percentage (UPP) Audit Adjustment	Regular UPP	Alternative UPP	UPP	Alternative UPP	UPP	Alternative UPP	UPP	Alternative UPP	UPP	Alternative UPP
1) Total Adjusted Enrollment from the UPP Exhibit as of P-2	347	411	474	558	673	986	648	1,073	586	887
2) Total Adjusted Unduplicated Count from the UPP Exhibit as of P-2	163	180	128	187	129	191	160	297	166	301
3) Number of Unduplicated Count audit adjustment		(6)		(9)		(1)		(7)		(3)
4) Revised Adjusted Unduplicated Pupil Count	157	174	119	178	128	190	153	290	163	298
5) UPP calculated at P-2	0.4697	0.4380	0.2700	0.3351	0.1917	0.1937	0.2469	0.2768	0.2833	0.3393
6) Revised UPP for audit finding	0.4524	0.4234	0.2511	0.3190	0.1902	0.1927	0.2361	0.2703	0.2782	0.3360
7) Greater of Revised UPP for audit finding from Section 1 or 2		0.4524		0.3190		0.1927		0.2703		0.3360
8) Charter Schools Only: Determinative School District Concentration Cap		0.7288		1.7288		0.7288		0.7288		0.5220
9) Revised UPP adjusted for Concentration Cap		0.4524		0.3190		0.1927		0.2703		0.3360
LCFF Target Base Grant Funding										
10) Total Base Grant Funding as of P-2	\$ 700,670		\$ 1,712,809		\$ 241,740		\$ 393,950		\$ 875,491	
LCFF Target Supplemental Grant Funding Audit Adjustment										
11) Target Supplemental Grant Funding calculated as of P-2	\$ 65,821		\$ 114,792		\$ 9,365		\$ 21,809		\$ 59,411	
12) Revised Target Supplemental Grant Funding for audit finding	\$ 63,397		\$ 109,277		\$ 9,317		\$ 21,297		\$ 58,833	
13) Target Supplemental Grant Funding Audit Adjustment	\$ (2,424)		\$ (5,515)		\$ (48)		\$ (512)		\$ (578)	
LCFF Target Concentration Grant Funding Audit Adjustment										
14) Target Concentration Grant Funding calculated as of P-2	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -	
15) Revised Target Concentration Grant Funding for audit finding	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -	
16) Target Concentration Grant Funding Audit Adjustment	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -	
Estimated Cost of Unduplicated Pupil Count Audit Adjustment for LEAs										
funded at LCFF Target										
17) Total target supplemental and concentration audit adjustment	\$ (2,424)		\$ (5,515)		\$ (48)		\$ (512)		\$ (578)	
Estimated Cost of Unduplicated Pupil Count Audit Adjustment for LEAs										
funded at LCFF Floor and Gap										
18) Statewide gap funding rate	0.5255761597		0.5255761597		0.5255761597		0.5255761597		0.5255761597	
19) Estimated value of unduplicated pupil count audit adjustment for 2015-16	\$ (1,274)		\$ (2,899)		\$ (25)		\$ (269)		\$ (304)	

FINDING 2016-4: UNDUPLICATED LCFF PUPIL COUNT (40000) (continued)

Questioned Cost (continued):

	AAS: S	onoma	AAS: Thousand C	aks & Simi Valley	AAS: I	Fresno	AAS: Los Angeles K-8	
	Section 1:	Section 2:	Section 1: Regular	Section 2:	Section 1: Regular	Section 2:	Section 1: Regular	Section 2:
Unduplicated Pupil Percentage (UPP) Audit Adjustment	Regular UPP	Alternative UPP	UPP	Alternative UPP	UPP	Alternative UPP	UPP	Alternative UPP
1) Total Adjusted Enrollment from the UPP Exhibit as of P-2	465	578	871	1,109	229	333	392	689
2) Total Adjusted Unduplicated Count from the UPP Exhibit as of P-2	112	155	272	411	108	155	95	148
3) Number of Unduplicated Count audit adjustment		(2)		(28)		(2)		(5
4) Revised Adjusted Unduplicated Pupil Count	110	153	244	383	106	153	90	143
5) UPP calculated at P-2	0.2409	0.2682	0.3123	0.3706	0.4716	0.4655	0.2423	0.2148
6) Revised UPP for audit finding	0.2366	0.2647	0.2801	0.3454	0.4629	0.4595	0.2296	0.2075
7) Greater of Revised UPP for audit finding from Section 1 or 2		0.2647		0.3454		0.4629		0.2296
8) Charter Schools Only: Determinative School District Concentration Cap		0.4824		0.5220		0.9479		0.4353
9) Revised UPP adjusted for Concentration Cap	0.2647			0.3454	0.4629			0.2296
LCFF Target Base Grant Funding								
10) Total Base Grant Funding as of P-2	\$ 2,572,498		\$ 3,088,051		\$ 1,272,594		\$ 779,584	
LCFF Target Supplemental Grant Funding Audit Adjustment								
11) Target Supplemental Grant Funding calculated as of P-2	\$ 137,989		\$ 228,886		\$ 120,031		\$ 37,779	
12) Revised Target Supplemental Grant Funding for audit finding	\$ 136,188		\$ 213,323		\$ 117,817		\$ 35,798	
13) Target Supplemental Grant Funding Audit Adjustment	\$ (1,801)		\$ (15,563)		\$ (2,214)		\$ (1,981)	
LCFF Target Concentration Grant Funding Audit Adjustment								
14) Target Concentration Grant Funding calculated as of P-2	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -	
15) Revised Target Concentration Grant Funding for audit finding	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -	
16) Target Concentration Grant Funding Audit Adjustment	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -	
Estimated Cost of Unduplicated Pupil Count Audit Adjustment for LEAs								
funded at LCFF Target								
17) Total target supplemental and concentration audit adjustment	\$ (1,801)		\$ (15,563)		\$ (2,214)		\$ (1,981)	
Estimated Cost of Unduplicated Pupil Count Audit Adjustment for LEAs								
funded at LCFF Floor and Gap								
18) State wide gap funding rate	0.5255761597		0.5255761597		0.5255761597		0.5255761597	
19) Estimated value of unduplicated pupil count audit adjustment for 2015-16	\$ (947)		\$ (8,180)		\$ (1,164)		\$ (1,041)	

Recommendation: We recommend that all household income documentation and documentation to support EL status be reviewed and obtained for accurate CALPADS reporting.

Academy's Response: Academy of Arts and Sciences has modified its enrollment process and approval process for incoming scholars. Additional checkpoints have been created for the Enrollment Coordinator and Information Services Manager. Internal auditing will occur on a weekly basis by the Executive Assistant to the CEO.

Current Status: Implemented.