DRAW ACADEMY, INC DBA DRAW ACADEMY

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Year Ended August 31, 2023 and 2022



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Draw Academy, Inc. (Federal Employer Identification Number: 76-0495959)

CERTIFICATE OF BOARD

DRAW Academy, Inc.

Name of Charter Holder

76-0680496

Federal Employer ID Number

DRAW Academy Name of Charter School Harris County 101-856 County District Number

We, the undersigned, certify that the attached Annual Financial and Compliance Report of DRAW Academy was reviewed and ______approved ______disapproved for the year ended August 31, 2023, at a meeting of the governing body of said charter school on the 27 day of February 2024.

Signature of Board President

Signature of Board Secretary





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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors DRAW Academy Inc.

Report on the Audit of Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of DRAW Academy, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of August 31, 2023 and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of DRAW Academy, Inc. (the "Academy") as of August 31, 2023, 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.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Academy and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Academy's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months after the date that the financial statements are issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standard* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



Board of Directors DRAW Academy, Inc.

Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Academy's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Academy's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Report on Summarized Comparative Information

The 2022 financial statements were audited by other auditors who expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in their report dated February 27, 2023.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information identified in the table of contents and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the 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 consolidated financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the *accompanying supplementary information* and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Board of Directors DRAW Academy, Inc.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 27, 2024 on our consideration of the Academy'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 the effectiveness of the Academy's 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 Academy's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Whitley PENN LLP

Houston, Texas February 27, 2024



GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Augu				
Assets		2023	202	2 (Restated)	
Current Assets:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	3,117,306	\$	2,670,164	
Due from Texas Education Agency		580,024		636,112	
Prepaid Expenses		51,812		113,669	
Other Receivables		40,963		109,314	
Total Current Assets		3,790,105		3,529,259	
Noncurrent Assets:					
Property and Equipment, net		5,717,306		6,468,074	
Total Noncurrent Assets		5,717,306		6,468,074	
Total Assets	\$	9,507,411	\$	9,997,333	
Liabilities and Net Assets					
Liabilities:					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	271,736	\$	119,053	
Payroll deductions and withholdings		36,420		-	
Accrued salaries payable		178,646		237,631	
Deferred revenue		-		52,400	
Current portion of lease liability		785,084		725,257	
Total Current Liabilities		1,271,886		1,134,341	
Operating lease liability, net of current portion		4,822,367		5,607,451	
Total Liabilities		6,094,253		6,741,792	
Net Assets:					
Without donor restrictions		650,214		529,348	
With donor restrictions		2,762,944		2,726,193	
Total Net Assets		3,413,158		3,255,541	
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	9,507,411	\$	9,997,333	

DRAW ACADEMY, INC STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

Exhibit A-2

	Restrictions		Restrictions	2023	2022	
Revenues						
Local Support:						
Earnings from deposits and investments	\$	10,333	\$-	\$ 10,333	\$ 1,887	
Gifts and bequests		-	-	-	-	
Other revenues from local sources		113,123		113,123	34,489	
Total Local Support		123,456	-	123,456	36,376	
State Program Revenues:						
Foundation School Program Act Revenues		-	7,208,371	7,208,371	7,925,981	
State Program Revenues Distributed by Texas						
Education Agency		-	2,526	2,526	9,296	
State Revenues from State of Texas						
Government Agencies		-	109,795	109,795		
Total State Program Revenues		-	7,320,692	7,320,692	7,935,277	
Federal Program Revenues:						
Federal revenues distributed by						
Texas Education Agency		-	3,246,689	3,246,689	1,918,950	
Federal revenues distributed by						
Texas Government Agencies		-	-	-	22,812	
Federal revenues distributed by directly						
from the Federal Government		-	145,117	145,117	115,822	
Total Federal Program Revenues		-	3,391,806	3,391,806	2,057,584	
Net Assets Released from Restrictions:						
Restrictions satisfied by payments		10,675,747	(10,675,747)	-	-	
Total Revenues		10,799,203	36,751	10,835,954	10,029,237	
Expenses						
Program Services:						
Educational services		7,625,753	-	7,625,753	6,823,042	
Support Services:						
General and administrative services		3,052,584	-	3,052,584	2,641,518	
Total Expenses		10,678,337		10,678,337	9,464,560	
Change in Net Assets		120,866	36,751	157,617	171,810	
Net Assets, Beginning of Year, Restated		529,348	2,726,193	3,255,541	3,083,731	
Net Assets, End of Year	\$	650,214	\$ 2,762,944	\$ 3,413,158	\$ 3,255,541	

Without Donor

DRAW ACADEMY, INC STATEMENTS OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

	Program Activities		Supporting Activities			August 31,			
	Educat	ional Services	General and Administrative		2023		2022		
Expenses									
Salaries and Wages	\$	4,896,964	\$	419,545	\$	5,316,509	\$ 5,150,856		
Benefits and payroll taxes		802,124		51,402		853,526	485,151		
Total Payroll Expenses		5,699,088		470,947		6,170,035	5,636,007		
Contracted services		398,439		2,085,278		2,483,717	1,968,428		
Supplies		1,348,974		208,489		1,557,463	1,419,889		
Operating costs		179,252		287,870		467,122	440,236		
Total Nonpayroll Expenses		1,926,665		2,581,637		4,508,302	3,828,553		
Total Expenses	\$	7,625,753	\$	3,052,584	\$	10,678,337	\$ 9,464,560		

DRAW ACADEMY, INC STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

		Augus	t 31,	
		2023		2022
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:				
Foundation school program payments	\$	7,208,371	\$	7,561,051
Grant payments		3,447,894		2,057,584
Other state and local revenue payments		251,728		34,489
Payments to vendors for goods and services rendered		(5,118,567)		(3,479,670)
Payments to charter school personnel for services rendered		(4,530,867)		(5,636,007)
Net Cash Provided for (Used By) Operating Activities		1,258,559		537,447
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:				
Purchase of property and equipment		(86,160)		(99,481)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities		(86,160)		(99,481)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:				
Reduction lease liability		(725,257)		(626,926)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Financing Activities		(725,257)		(626,926)
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents		447,142		46,986
Beginning Cash and Cash Equivalents		2,670,164		2,623,178
Ending Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	3,117,306	\$	2,670,164
Unrestricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	168,474	\$	46,986
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents		2,948,832		2,623,178
	\$	3,117,306	\$	2,670,164
Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets to Net Cash				
Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:				
Change in net assets	\$	157,617	\$	562,790
Adjustments to reconcile increase (decrease) in net assets to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:				
Depreciation		119,781		122,946
Amortization		717,147		390,980
(Increase) decrease in:		/ 1/,14/		550,500
Due from Texas Education Agency		56,088		(426,626)
Prepaid expenses		61,857		(420,020) (32,916)
Accounts receivable		68,351		(85,134)
Increase (decrease):		00,001		(05,154)
Accounts payable		152,683		(142,466)
Accounts payable and related liabilities		(22,565)		95,473
Deferred revenue		(52,400)		52,400
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$	1,258,559	\$	537,447
Net cash i rovided by Operating Activities	ç	1,230,339	ڔ	557,447

DRAW ACADEMY, INC NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The general-purpose financial statements of DRAW Academy, Inc. (the "Academy") were prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The Financial Accounting Standards Board is the accepted standard setting body for establishing not-for-profit accounting and financial reporting principles.

Reporting Entity

The Charter Holder is a not-for-profit organization incorporated in the State of Texas (the "State") in 2004 and exempt from federal income taxes pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Charter Holder is governed by a Board of Directors (the "Board") comprised of five members. The Board is selected pursuant to the bylaws of the Charter Holder and has the authority to make decisions, appoint the chief executive officer of the Charter Holder, and significantly influence operations. The Board has the primary accountability for the fiscal affairs of the Charter Holder.

Since the Charter Holder received funding from local, state, and federal government sources, it must comply with the requirements of the entities providing those funds.

Corporate Operations

In 2004, the State Board of Education granted the Charter Holder an open-enrollment charter pursuant to Chapter 12 of the Texas Education Code. Pursuant to the program described in the charter application approved by the State Board of Education and the terms of the applicable contract for charter, DRAW Academy was opened. DRAW Academy was organized to provide educational services to students in grades pre-kindergarten through eight. The Charter Holder's Board governs its programs, services, activities, and functions. For the school year 2022-2023, DRAW Academy primarily serves children who are at risk of dropping out using state-defined criteria. DRAW Academy's vision is to create an environment in which every student receives a quality education in a safe environment, and to ensure every student access to a learning environment that encourages them to be in school with other students learning to the best of their abilities.

Basis of Accounting and Presentation

The accompanying general purpose financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Use of 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. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. The most sensitive estimate affecting the Academy's financial statements was the depreciation of capital assets and functional allocation of expenses.

Contributions

The Academy accounts for contributions in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 958-605, *Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made*. In accordance with FASB ASC Topic 958-605, contributions are recorded as support with or without donor restrictions depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions.

Support that is restricted by the donor is reported as an increase in with donor restrictions in the reporting period in which the support is recognized. When a restriction expires, with donor restrictions are reclassified to without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For financial statement purposes, the Academy considers all highly liquid investment instruments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Revenue Recognition

State Foundation School Program revenues are recognized based on the reported student attendance. State and Federal grant revenues are recognized when services are rendered. Contributions and other revenues are recognized when received or unconditionally promised by a third party.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment, vehicles, and other personal property, are reported in the general-purpose and specific-purpose financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Academy as assets with an individual cost of more than \$5,000 and a useful life over one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost and are depreciated over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which range from three to thirty-nine years, using the straight-line method of depreciation. Expenditures for additions, major renewals and betterments are capitalized, and maintenance and repairs are charged to expenses as incurred. Donations of assets are recorded as direct additions to net assets at fair value at the date of donation, which is then treated as cost. The Academy had no donated capital assets at August 31, 2023.

Prepaid Expenses

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid expenses.

Net Assets

Net assets, revenues, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor- or grantor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets and changes therein are classified as either without donor restrictions or with donor restrictions.

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions - Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor (or certain grantor) restrictions. As of August 31, 2023, net assets without donor restrictions totaled \$650,214.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions - Net assets subject to donor- (or certain grantor-) imposed restrictions. Some donorimposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Donor-imposed restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both. As of August 31, 2023, net assets with donor restrictions totaled \$2,822,627.

In accordance with state law, a charter holder is entitled to receive state aid for the charter school based on student attendance; however, before the charter holder may reclassify state aid from net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions, it must meet a two-part test.

- 1. First, the charter school must demonstrate that it expended state aid for the benefit of its students.
- 2. Second, the charter school must expend state aid consistent with TEC, §45.105(c).

The majority of Academy's revenue is comprised of state aid from the Texas Education Agency.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Functional Expenses

The costs of supporting the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the notes to the financial statements. The Texas Education Agency mandates a specific account coding that requires open enrollment charter schools to record expenses to a unique combination of function and object. Generally, the Academy records its expenses based on direct allocation by assigning each expense to a functional category based on direct usage.

Income Taxes

The Academy is a nonprofit corporation that is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code ("the Code") and comparable State of Texas law. The Academy did not conduct any unrelated business activities in the current fiscal year. Therefore, the Academy has made no provision for federal income taxes in the accompanying financial statements. The Academy has also been classified as a publicly supported Academy, which is not a private foundation under Section 509(a) of the Code. Accordingly, contributions to the Academy are tax deductible within the limitations prescribed by the Code. The Academy applies the provisions of FASB ASC Topic 740, *Income Taxes*, which prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FASB ASC Topic 740 also provides guidance on de-recognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. The Academy believes that it has appropriate support for any tax positions taken, and as such, does not have any uncertain tax positions that are material to the financial statements.

New Accounting Pronouncement

ASU 2020-07, Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation and Disclosures by Not-for-Profit Entities for Contributed Nonfinancial Assets effective for fiscal years ending on June 30, 2022, and calendar years ending on December 31, 2022. This standard affects the presentation and disclosure of gifts in kind. The Organization did not have contributed nonfinancial assets for the current and prior fiscal years. There were not to report.

Note 2 - Capital Assets

Capital assets at August 31, 2023 and 2022, were as follows:

	 2023	2022		
Building and leasehold improvements	\$ 1,448,068	\$	1,374,822	
Vehicles	217,296		217,296	
Furniture and playground equipment	307,942		295,028	
Right-to-Use Asset	 6,959,403		6,959,403	
Total Property and Equipment	 8,932,709		8,846,549	
Less Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization	 (3,215,403)		(2,378,475)	
Property and Equipment, Net	\$ 5,717,306	\$	6,468,074	

Depreciation expense for the fiscal years ended August 31, 2023 and August 31, 2022, was \$119,781 and \$122,946, respectively. Amortization expense for fiscal years ended August 31, 2023 and 2022 were \$717,147 and \$390,80, respectively.

Capital assets acquired with public funds received by the Academy for the operation of DRAW Academy constitute public property pursuant to Chapter 12 of the Texas Education Code. These assets are specifically identified on the Schedule of Capital Assets.

DRAW ACADEMY, INC NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 3 - Concentration of Credit and Business Risk

The Academy maintains demand deposits with a U.S. local banking institution. Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the Academy will not be able to recover its deposits. The Academy maintains deposits at a federally insured bank and strives to minimize its exposure to custodial credit risk. At August 31, 2023, the carrying amount of the Academy's cash deposits was \$3,117,307 and the bank's balance was \$3,044,229. All deposits at the banking institution were fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's (FDIC) or secured by a collateral from the financial institution as of August 31, 2023. The amounts disclosed above includes a sweep account with cash deposits of \$2,875,755 that were collateralized by a large pool of securities composed of mortgage-based securities and collateralized mortgage obligations that have an implicit guarantee of the United States Government. At August 31, 2022, the Charter Holder had cash deposits of \$155,098 that were fully insured. In addition, the Charter Holder had a sweep account with cash deposits of \$2,598,508 that were collateralized by a large pool of securities composed of mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations that have an implicit guarantee of the United States Government.

Approximately 67% of the Academy's total revenue for fiscal year 2023 was provided by the State funding for the Per Capita and State Foundation Aid.

Note 4 - Defined Benefit Pension Plans

A. Plan Description

The Academy contributes to the Teacher Retirement System of Texas ("TRS"), a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with one exception; all risks and costs are not shared by the charter school, but are the liability of the State of Texas. TRS administers the retirement and disability annuities, and death and survivor benefits to employees and beneficiaries of employees of the public school systems of Texas.

The plan operates primarily under the provisions of the Texas Constitution, Article XVI, Sec. 67, and Texas Government code, Title 8, Chapters 803 and 805 respectively. The Texas State legislature has the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of the pension plan and may, under certain circumstances, grant special authority to the TRS Board of Trustees. TRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the defined benefit plan. Detailed information about the Teacher Retirement System's fiduciary net position is available in a separately-issued Annual Comprehensive Financial Report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the internet at https://www.trs.texas.gov/TRS Documents/acfr-2022.pdf or by writing to TRS at 1000 Red River Street, Austin, TX, 78701-2698, or by calling (512) 542-6592.

Charter schools are legally separate entities from the State and each other. Assets contributed by one charter or independent school district ("ISD") may be used for the benefit of an employee of another ISD or charter. The risk of participating in multi-employer pension plans is different from single-employer plans. Assets contributed to a multi-employer plan by one employer may be used to provide benefits to employees of other participating employers. If a participating employer stops contributing to the plan, the unfunded obligations of the plan may be borne by the remaining participating employers. There is no withdrawal penalty for leaving the TRS system. There is no collective-bargaining agreement. The TRS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report available dated August 31, 2022 and August 31, 2021 indicated the following:

TRS Pension			т	RS Plan Fiduciary					Percent
Fund	Т	otal Plan Assets		Net Position	Tot	tal Pension Liability	Ne	t Pension Liability	Funded
2022	\$	207,621,897,538	\$	184,185,617,196	\$	243,553,045,455	\$	59,367,428,259	75.62%
2021		223,172,755,137		201,807,002,496		227,273,463,630		25,466,461,134	88.79%
2020		184,361,870,581		165,416,245,243		218,974,205,084		53,557,959,841	75.54%
2019		181,800,159,205		157,978,199,075		209,961,325,288		51,983,126,213	75.24%
2018		176,942,453,923		154,568,901,833		209,611,328,793		55,042,426,960	73.74%
2017		165,379,342,000		147,361,922,120		179,336,534,819		31,974,612,699	82.17%

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 4 - Defined Benefit Pension Plans (continued)

B. Funding Policy

Contribution requirements are established or amended pursuant to Article 16, section 67 of the Texas Constitution which requires the Texas legislature to establish a member contribution rate of not less than 6% of the member's annual compensation and a state contribution rate of not less than 6% and not more than 10% of the aggregate annual compensation paid to members of the system during the fiscal year. Texas Government Code section 821.006 prohibits benefit improvements, if, as a result of the particular action, the time required to amortize TRS' unfunded actuarial liabilities would be increased to a period that exceeds 31 years, or, if the amortization period already exceeds 31 years, the period would be increased by such action. Actuarial implications of the funding provided in the manner are determined by the System's actuary. Employee contribution rates are set in state statute, Texas Government Code 825.402. The TRS Pension Reform Bill (Senate Bill 12) of the 86th Texas Legislature amended Texas Government Code 825.402 for member contributions and increased employee and employer contribution rates for fiscal years 2020 thru 2025.Measurement years for TRS begin on September 1st and end on August 31st.

	Contribut	Contribution Rates			
	Plan Fis	Plan Fiscal Year			
	2022	2023			
Member	7.70%	8.00%			
Employer	7.75%	8.00%			
Non-Employer Contributing Entity (State)	7.75%	8.00%			

The Academy's employee contributions, and Non-OASDI payments for 2022 (the measurement year) and the current fiscal year (2023) are shown below.

	Contributions Required	
	and Made During the	TRS Contributions Made
	Measurement Year	During the Fiscal Year
Member (Employee)	\$385,000	\$427,978
Charter School	\$127,087	\$210,406
Non-OASDI Surcharge	\$81,812	\$96,295

These contributions did not represent more than 5.0 percent of the total contributions to TRS.

DRAW ACADEMY, INC NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 5 - Defined Other Post-Employment Benefit Plan

A. Plan Description

The Academy participates in the Texas Public School Retired Employees Group Insurance Program (TRS-Care). It is a multipleemployer, cost-sharing defined Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) plan that has a special funding situation. The plan is administered through a trust by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) Board of Trustees. It is established and administered in accordance with the Texas Insurance Code, Chapter 1575.

Similar to the TRS Pension Plan discussed in Note C, charter schools are legally separate entities from the State and each other. Assets contributed by one charter or independent school district ("ISD") may be used for the benefit of an employee of another ISD or charter. The risk of participating in multi-employer pension plans is different from single-employer OPEB plans. Assets contributed to a multi-employer OPEB plan by one employer may be used to provide benefits to employees of other participating employers. If a participating employer stops contributing to the plan, the unfunded obligations of the plan may be borne by the remaining participating employers. There is no withdrawal penalty for leaving the TRS system. There is no collective-bargaining agreement. The TRS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report available dated August 31, 2021.

TRS Care Other Post- Employment Benefits (OPEB)	Тс	Total Plan Assets		TRS-Care Plan ciary Net Position	ī	Fotal OPEB Liability	Net OPEB Liability		Percent Funded
2022	\$	3,308,391,215	\$	3,117,937,218	\$	27,061,942,520	\$	23,944,005,302	11.52%
2021		2,733,911,371		2,539,242,470		41,113,711,083		38,574,468,613	6.18%
2020		2,146,681,144		1,996,317,932		40,010,833,815		38,014,515,883	4.99%
2019		1,475,508,564		1,292,022,349		48,583,247,239		47,291,224,890	2.66%
2018		1,001,649,953		798,574,633		50,729,490,103		49,930,915,470	1.57%

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detail information about the TRS-Care's fiduciary net position is available in the separately-issued TRS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the internet at <u>https://www.trs.texas.gov/TRS Documents/acfr-2021.pdf</u>, or by writing to TRS at 1000 Red River Street, Austin, TX, 78701-2698, or by calling (512) 542-6592.

TRS-Care provides a basic health insurance coverage (TRS-Care 1), at no cost to all retirees from public schools, charter schools, regional education service centers and other educational districts who are members of the TRS pension plan. Optional dependent coverage is available for an additional fee.

Eligible retirees and their dependents not enrolled in Medicare may pay premiums to participate in one of two optional insurance plans with more comprehensive benefits (TRS-Care 2 and TRS-Care 3). Eligible retirees and dependents enrolled in Medicare may elect to participate in one of the two Medicare health plans for an additional fee. To qualify for TRS-Care coverage, a retiree must have at least 10 years of service credit in the TRS pension system. The Board of Trustees is granted the authority to establish basic and optional group insurance coverage for participants as well as to amend benefit terms as needed under Chapter 1575.052. There are no automatic post-employment benefit changes; including automatic COLAs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 5 - Defined Other Post-Employment Benefit Plan (continued)

B. Benefits Provided

The premium rates for the optional health insurance are based on years of service of the member. The schedule below shows the monthly rates for a retiree with and without Medicare coverage.

TRS-Care Monthly for Retirees							
	Me	dicare	Non-I	Medicare			
Retiree or Surviving Spouse	\$	135	\$	200			
Retiree and Spouse		529		689			
Retiree or Surviving Spouse and Children		468		408			
Retiree and Family		1,020		999			

C. Contributions

Contribution rates for the TRS-Care plan are established in state statute by the Texas Legislature, and there is no continuing obligation to provide benefits beyond each fiscal year. The TRS-Care plan is currently funded on a pay-as-you-go basis and is subject to change based on available funding. Funding for TRS-Care is provided by retiree premium contributions and contributions from the state, active employees, and school districts based upon public school district payroll. The TRS Board of trustees does not have the authority to set or amend contribution rates. Texas Insurance Code, section 1575.202 establishes the state's contribution rate which is 1.25% of the employee's salary. Section 1575.203 establishes the active employee's rate which is 0.75% of pay. Section 1575.204 establishes an employer contribution rate of not less than 0.25 percent or not more than 0.75 percent of the salary of each active employee of the public. The actual employer contribution rate is prescribed by the Legislature in the General Appropriations Act. The following table shows contributions to the TRS-Care plan by type of contributor.

	Contribution Rates			
	2023	2022		
Active Employee	0.65%	0.65%		
Employers	0.75%	0.75%		
Federal/Private Funding remitted by Employers	1.25%	1.25%		

In fiscal year 2023, the Academy contributed a total of \$62,642 of which, \$22,519 was for federally funded employees. Employees contributed a total of \$34,773 and covered payroll for TRS-Care was \$5,349,727. In fiscal year 2022, the Academy contributed a total of \$31,281 and employees contributed \$36,094. These contributions did not represent more than 5.0 percent of the total contributions to TRS.

Note 6 - Charter Holder Operations

The charter holder only operated a single charter school and did not conduct any other charter or non-charter activities.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 7 - Due from State and Other Governments and Due to State

Amounts due from the Texas Education Agency at August 31, 2023 and 2022, consisted of the following:

	 2023	 2022
Foundation School Program	\$ 396,922	\$ 461,592
Child Nutrition	6,065	34,961
Title IV, Part A, Subpart 1	-	1,577
IDEA, Part B Formula	-	6,290
Title I, Part A	-	22,082
ESEA Title I, Improving Basic Program Year	-	2,625
ESEA Title II, Teacher and Principal Program Year	-	3,333
Emergency Relief Fund	 177,037	 103,652
Total	\$ 580,024	\$ 636,112

Note 8 - Health Care Coverage

During the years ended August 31, 2023 and 2022, employees of the Charter Holder were covered by an insurance plan offered by TRS Active Employee Insurance Plan (the "Plan"). The Charter Holder contributed \$300 per month per employee to the Plan. Employees, at their option, authorized payroll withholdings to pay contributions or premiums for dependents. All premiums were paid to licensed insurers.

Note 9 - Operating Lease

The Academy leases property under operating leases. The Charter Holder entered into lease agreements with Aleph Investments (see Note 15 – Related Party Transactions) for space at 3920 Stoney Brook Drive, Houston, Texas ("3920 Stoney Brook"), 3911 Stoney Brook Drive, Houston, Texas ("3911 Stoney Brook"), and 7914 Westglen Drive, Houston, Texas ("Westglen"). Lease agreements will expire in 2029, 2030 and 2031. The discount rate used to calculate the interest is 5%, the Academy's incremental borrowing rate. The future principal and interest payments due are shown below.

Fiscal Year Ending August 31		Amount	 Interest	Total
2024	\$	785,084	\$ 262,543	\$ 1,047,627
2025		825,251	222,377	1,047,628
2026	867,471		180,155	1,047,626
2027		911,853	135,774	1,047,627
2028		958,505	89,122	1,047,627
2029-2031		1,259,287	58,484	1,317,771
Total	\$ 5,607,451		\$ 948,455	\$ 6,555,906

The value of the right-to-use asset totals \$6,959,403. The Charter holder will amortize the asset over the straight-line basis. The total rent expense for fiscal year 2023 \$1,017,675.

DRAW ACADEMY, INC NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 10 - Commitments and Contingencies

The Academy receives funds through state and federal programs that are governed by various statutes and regulations. State program funding is based primarily in student attendance data submitted to the Texas Education Agency and is subject to audit and adjustment. Expenses charged to federal programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agency. The programs administered by the charter school have complex compliance requirements, and should state or federal auditors discover areas of noncompliance, charter school funds may be subject to refund if so determined by the Texas Education Agency or the grantor agency.

Note 11 - State Aid

Charter schools in the State of Texas participate in the State foundation program. Under this program, each charter school is entitled to receive these revenues based upon student enrollment and average daily attendance. Each charter school is required to file enrollment and attendance reports at the close of each six weeks reporting period, and at the close of the year, actual attendance is calculated by the TEA and the attendance reports are subject to audit by the TEA and final State foundation program earnings may be adjusted as a result of any such audit. During the period ended August 31, 2023, and August 31, 2022, the Charter Holder earned \$7,208,371 and \$7,925,981, respectively, of Per Capita and State Foundation Aid funds (before any possible TEA enrollment and attendance audit).

Note 12 - Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions as of August 31, 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

	2023	20	22, Restated
Foundation School Program	\$ 3,213,230	\$	2,519,573
National School Breakfast and Lunch Program	199,517		206,620
Other Funds	411		-
Total	\$ 3,413,158	\$	2,726,193

Net assets were released from restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by occurrence of other events specified by donors as follows:

	2023 2022			
State Funds	\$	7,283,941	\$	7,348,881
Federal Funds		3,391,806		2,057,584
Total Restrictions Released	\$	10,675,747	\$	9,406,465

DRAW ACADEMY, INC NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 13 - Liquidity and Availability

Financial assets available for general expenditure, that is, without donor or other restrictions limiting their use, within one year of the date of the statement of financial position, comprise the following:

	Fiscal Year					
	2023			2022		
Financial Assets, at Year End						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,117,306	\$	2,670,164		
Other receivables		40,963		109,314		
Due from other governments		580,024		636,112		
Financial Assets Available to Meet General						
Expenditures Within One Year	\$	3,738,293	\$	3,415,590		

Per the Texas Education Agency, Foundation School Program revenues should be classified as revenue with donor restrictions. However, the funds do not have a time restriction, but must be used for education purposes in accordance with State law. As such, there are cash and receivables that are due from the State and are available for use for educational purposes.

Note 14 - Related Party

DRAW Academy leases its facilities from Aleph Investments and Soledo LLC, limited partnerships controlled by Fernando Donatti, Superintendent (the "Superintendent"). Rental payments under these leases were \$960,788 during the fiscal year 2022 (see Note 12 – Operating Leases). The Superintendent has never voted in any matter related to these properties. In instances where there were discussions or decisions related to these properties, the Superintendent filed an "Affidavit and Abstention from Voting" form with the Board secretary in accordance with Local Government Code, Chapter 171, Subtitle C.

Note 15 - Prior Period Adjustment – Implementation of New Accounting Standards

During fiscal year 2023, the Academy implemented ASC 842 *Leases*. Because the Academy presents comparative statements, the prior year columns were restated. The net position for FY 2022 was restated by \$390,980.

Note 16 - Management's Review of Subsequent Events

There were no subsequent events to be reported after the date of this report.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DRAW ACADEMY, INC SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

			2023			2022	
		Without Donor	With Donor		Without Donor	With Donor	
		Restrictions	Restrictions	Totals	Restrictions	Restrictions	Totals
	Revenues						
	Local Support:						
5740	Other revenues from local sources	\$ 123,456	\$-	\$ 123,456	\$ 34,489	\$-	\$ 34,489
	Total Local Support	123,456	-	123,456	34,489	-	34,489
	State Program Revenues:						
5810	Foundation school program act revenues	-	7,208,371	7,208,371	-	7,925,981	7,925,981
5820	State program revenues distributed by						
	Texas Education Agency	-	2,526	2,526	-	9,296	9,296
5830	State revenues from State of Texas						
	Government Agencies	-	109,795	109,795	-	-	-
	Total State Program Revenue		7,320,692	7,320,692	-	7,935,277	7,935,277
	Federal Program Revenues:						
5920	Federal revenues distributed by						
	Texas Education Agency	-	3,246,689	3,246,689	-	1,918,950	1,918,950
5930	Federal revenues distributed by						
	Texas Government Agencies	-	-	-	-	22,812	22,812
5940	Federal revenues distributed directly						
	from the Federal Government	-	145,117	145,117	-	115,822	115,822
	Total Federal Program Revenue	-	3,391,806	3,391,806	-	2,057,584	2,057,584
	Net assets released from restrictions	10,675,747	(10,675,747)	-	9,797,445	(9,797,445)	-
	Total Revenues	10,799,203	36,751	10,835,954	9,831,934	195,416	10,027,350
	Expenses						
11	Instruction	6,388,168	-	6,388,168	5,689,568	-	5,689,568
12	Instructional resources and media services	495	-	495	109	-	109
13	Curriculum development and instructional						
	staff development	55,563	-	55,563	28,003	-	28,003
21	Instructional leadership	78,688	-	78,688	55,414	-	55,414
23	School leadership	416,333	-	416,333	388,858	-	388,858
31	Guidance, counseling and evaluation services	9,228	-	9,228	7,135	-	7,135
33	Health services	4,119	-	4,119	3,968	-	3,968
35	Food service	673,159	-	673,159	579,953	-	579,953
41	General administration	254,120	-	254,120	187,676	-	187,676
51	Plant maintenance and operations	2,640,801	-	2,640,801	2,844,823	-	2,844,823
52	Security and monitoring services	109,870	-	109,870	9,608	-	9,608
53	Data processing services	47,793	-	47,793	60,425		60,425
	Total Expenses	10,678,337	-	10,678,337	9,855,540	-	9,855,540
	Change in Net Assets	120,866	36,751	157,617	(23,606)	195,416	171,810
	Beginning Net Assets	529,348	2,726,193	3,255,541	552,954	2,530,777	3,083,731
	Ending Net Assets	\$ 650,214	\$ 2,762,944	\$ 3,413,158	\$ 529,348	\$ 2,726,193	\$ 3,255,541

DRAW ACADEMY, INC SCHEDULES OF EXPENSES

		August 31,				
			2023	2022		
	Expenses					
6100	Payroll Costs	\$	6,170,035	\$	5,636,007	
6200	Professional and Contract Services		2,483,717		2,105,286	
6300	Supplies and Materials		1,557,463		1,293,541	
6400	Other Operating Costs		467,122		429,726	
	Total Expenses		10,678,337	\$	9,464,560	

DRAW ACADEMY, INC SCHEDULES OF CAPITAL ASSETS For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

		Ownership Interest							
		Local		State		Federal			
1520	Building & improvements	\$	-	\$	1,448,068	\$	-		
1531	Vehicles		-		217,296		-		
1539	Furniture and equipment		-		205,694		-		
1549	Furniture and equipment		-		102,248		-		
1550	Right-to-Use Asset		-		6,959,403		-		
	Total Property & equipment	\$	-	\$	8,932,709	\$	-		

DRAW ACADEMY, INC SCHEDULES OF RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Related Party Name	Name of Relation to the Related Party	Relationship	Type of Transaction	Description of Terms and Conditions	Source of Funds Used	Payment Frequency	Total Paid During FY	Principal Balance Due
Aleph Investments, L.P.	Fernando Donatti (Superintendent)	Owner	Financial	10 year lease term ending 9/30/29 for property at 3920 Stoney Brooke Dr. Rent began at \$25,403 with option for landlord to increase the base rent for each lease year after the first lease year based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index.	State	Monthly	\$ 324,373	N/A
Aleph Investments, L.P.	Fernando Donatti (Superintendent)	Owner	Financial	10 year lease term ending 2/28/29 for property at 3911 Stoney Brook Dr. Rent began at \$6,200 with option for landlord to increase the base rent for each lease year after the first lease year after the first lease year based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index.	State	Monthly	\$ 94,367	N/A
Soledo L.L.C.	Fernando Donatti (Superintendent)	Since January 2023, Ownership has been 58%; before January 2023 it was 69%	Financial	10 year lease term ending 4/30/2029 for property at 3903 Stoney Brook Dr. Rent began at \$24,890 with option for landlord to increase the base rent for each lease year after the first lease year based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index.	State	Monthly	\$ 344,481	N/A
Aleph Investments, L.P.	Fernando Donatti (Superintendent)	Owner	Financial	10 year lease term ending 4/30/31 for property at 7914 Westglen Dr. Rent began at \$17,786 with option for landlord to increase the base rent for each lease year after the first lease year based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index.	State	Monthly	\$ 234,123	N/A

DRAW ACADEMY, INC SCHEDULES OF RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Related Party Name	Name of Relation to the Related Party	Relationship	Compensation or Benefit	Payment Frequency	Description	Source of Funds Used	otal Paid uring FY
Michelle Castillo	Fernando Donatti	Spouse	Compensation	Monthly	Employee/program & campus	State	\$ 54,856
Michelle Castillo	(Superintendent) Fernando Donatti	Spouse	Benefit	Monthly	administrator Health insurance contribution	State	\$ 4,178
Michelle Castillo	(Superintendent) Fernando Donatti	Spouse	Compensation	Monthly	Employee/program & campus	Federal	\$ 15,896
Michelle Castillo	(Superintendent) Fernando Donatti	Spouse	Benefit	Monthly	administrator Health insurance contribution	Federal	\$ 1,393
Mario Soto	(Superintendent) Fernando Donatti	Step-daughter	Compensation	Monthly	Employee/teacher	Federal	\$ 81,919
Mario Soto	(Superintendent) Fernando Donatti	Step-daughter	Benefit	Monthly	Employee/teacher	Federal	\$ 5,354
Tomas Castillo	(Superintendent) Fernando Donatti	Father-in-law	Compensation	Monthly	Employee/maintenance	State	\$ 53,826
Tomas Castillo	(Superintendent) Fernando Donatti	Father-in-law	Benefit	Monthly	Employee/maintenance	State	\$ 554
Romina Sanchez	(Superintendent) Roxanne Cuello (Board President)	Daughter	Compensation	Monthly	Employee/program & campus administrator	Federal	\$ 41,095
Romina Sanchez	Roxanne Cuello (Board President)	Daughter	Benefit	Monthly	Employee/program & campus administrator	Federal	\$ 4,220
Diego Gabriel Soto	Fernando Donatti (Superintendent)	Step-son	Compensation	Monthly	Employee/teacher aide	State	\$ 18,492
Diego Gabriel Soto	Fernando Donatti (Superintendent)	Step-son	Benefit	Monthly	Employee/program & campus administrator	State	\$ 2,077
Diego Gabriel Soto	Fernando Donatti (Superintendent)	Step-son	Compensation	Monthly	Employee/program & campus administrator	Federal	\$ 14,206
Diego Gabriel Soto	(Superintendent) Fernando Donatti (Superintendent)	Step-son	Benefit	Monthly	Employee/program & campus administrator	Federal	\$ 2,077

DRAW ACADEMY, INC BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE (BUDGET BASIS) – GENERAL FUND For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

			Original		Final	Actual Amounts			iance from al Budget
	Revenues								
	Local Support:								
5740	Other revenues from local sources	\$	13,000	\$	120,000	\$	123,456	\$	3,456
	Total Local Support		13,000		120,000		123,456		3,456
	State Program Revenue								
5810	Foundation school program act revenues		7,437,302		7,385,000		7,320,692		(64,308)
	Total State Program Revenue		7,437,302		7,385,000		7,320,692		(64,308)
50.40	Federal Program Revenues Federal revenues distributed directly from the								
5940	Federal Government		2 240 104		2 440 100		2 201 800		(57.204)
	Total Federal Program Revenues		3,349,104 3,349,104		3,449,100		3,391,806 3,391,806		(57,294)
	Total Revenues	÷ .		ć	3,449,100	ć		ć	(57,294)
	Total Revenues	\$ 1	10,799,406	\$	10,954,100	\$	10,835,954	\$	(118,146)
	Expenses								
11	Instruction		6,615,189		6,400,100		6,388,168		11,932
12	Instructional Resources and Media Services		1,000		1,000		495		505
13	Curriculum Development and Instructional Staff Development		52,025		57 222				1 650
-	Instructional Leadership		,		57,222		55,563		1,659
21	School Leadership		94,100 395,400		85,100		78,688		6,412
23	Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services		395,400 7,800		415,400 8,580		416,333 9,228		(933) (648)
31 33	Health Services		5,075		8,580 5,075		9,228 4,119		(048) 956
35	Food Service		635,000		698,500		673,159		25,341
55 41	General Administration		225,625		248,187		254,120		(5,933)
51	Facilities Maintenance and Operations		2,475,095		2,722,604		2,640,801		81,803
52	Security and Monitoring Services		144,800		130,800		109,870		20,930
53	Data Processing Services		62,925		57,925		47,793		10,132
71	Debt Service		- 02,525		30,000				30,000
/ 1	Total Expenses		10,714,034		10,860,493		10,678,337		182,156
	Change in Net Assets	\$	85,372	\$	93,607		157,617	\$	64,010

Variances greater than 10% between the final budget amounts and actual amounts are explained below:

Function 12 – Anticipated library purchases were not made before year end.

Function 33 – Fewer health screenings were conducted than expected.

Function 52 – Armed security and expenditures for security compliance were less than expected.

Function 53 – Non-instructional services from Region 4 ESC and independent contractors were less than expected.

Function 71 – Expected Debt Service for leases was calculated incorrectly.

DRAW ACADEMY, INC USE OF FUNDS REPORT – SELECT STATE ALLOTMENT PROGRAMS For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Data Codes	a Codes Section A: Compensatory Education Programs R					
AP1	Did your LEA expend any state compensatory education program state allotment funds during the district's fiscal year?		Yes			
AP2	Does the LEA have written policies and procedures for its state compensatory education program?		Yes			
AP3	List the total state allotment funds received for state compensatory education programs during the district's fiscal year.	\$	1,108,931			
AP4	List the actual direct program expenditures for state compensatory education programs during the LEA's fiscal year. (PICs 24, 26, 28, 29, 30)	\$	609,912 *			
	Section B: Bilingual Education Programs					
AP5	Did your LEA expend any bilingual education program state allotment funds during the LEA's fiscal year?		Yes			
AP6	Does the LEA have written policies and procedures for its bilingual education program?		Yes			
AP7	List the total state allotment funds received for bilingual education programs during the LEA's fiscal year.	\$	468,615			
AP8	List the actual direct program expenditures for bilingual education programs during the LEA's fiscal year. (PICs 25)	\$	257,738 *			
* Excludes ES	SFR expenses					

* Excludes ESSER expenses.

COMPLIANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROLS





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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Directors DRAW Academy, Inc.

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of DRAW Academy, Inc. (the "Academy"), which comprise the statement of financial position as of August 31, 2023, and the related statements of activities, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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



To the Board of Directors DRAW Academy, Inc.

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

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Houston, Texas February 27, 2024



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Board of Directors DRAW Academy, Inc.

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Program

We have audited DRAW Academy, Inc.'s (the "Academy") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Academy's major federal programs for the year ended August 31, 2023. The Academy's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Academy complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended August 31, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Academy and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Academy's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Academy's federal programs.



Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Academy's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Academy's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Academy's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the Academy's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Academy's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiencies, in internal control over compliance over compliance of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiencies, in internal control over compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

To the Board of Directors DRAW Academy, Inc.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Whitley FENN LLP

Houston, Texas February 27, 2024

DRAW ACADEMY, INC SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

I. Summary of Auditors' Results

inancial Statements		
Type of auditors' report issued:	Unmodified	
Internal control over financial reporting:		
Material weakness (es) identified?	No	
Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?	None reported	
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	No	
ederal Awards		
Internal control over major programs:		
Material weakness (es) identified?	No	
Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?	None reported	
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance with major programs:	Unmodified	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516 (a) ?	No	
Identification of major programs:		
Name of Federal Program or Cluster	Assistance Listing Number (ALN)	
US Department of Education		
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (Covid-19)	84.425D	
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (Covid-19)	84.425U	
Dollar Threshold Considered Between Type A and Type B Federal Programs	\$750,000	
Auditee qualified as low risk auditee?	Yes	

DRAW ACADEMY, INC

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (continued) For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

II. Financial Statement Findings

None Reported

III. Federal Awards Findings And Questioned Costs

None Reported

DRAW ACADEMY, INC SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

(1) Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	(2) Assistance Listing Number	(2A) Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	(3) Federal Expenditures
U. S. Department of Education			
Passed Through Texas Education Agency:			
IDEA-B Formula	84.027A	23660001101856000	\$ 108,558
IDEA-B Preschool	84.173A	23661001101856000	1,263
Total Special Education Cluster (84.027, 84.173)			109,821
Title I, Part A	84.010A	23610101101856	478,547
Title II, Part A, Supporting Effective	84.367A	23694501101856	49,662
Title III, Part A - ELA	84.365A	23671001101856	68,559
Title IV, Part A, Subpart 1	84.424A	23680101101856	30,840
CRRSA ESSER II (Covid-19)	84.425D	21521001101856	658,084
ARP ESSER III (Covid-19)	84.425U	21528001101856	1,228,460
Total U.S. Department of Education			2,623,973
U. S. Department of Agriculture			
Passed Through Texas Education Agency:			
National School Lunch Program	10.555	71302201	48,923
National School Lunch Program	10.555	71302301	397,280
School Breakfast Program	10.553	71402201	26,964
School Breakfast Program	10.553	71402301	91,839
Passed Through Texas Department of Agriculture:			
Supply Chain Assistance	10.555	00473	34,482
Non-cash assistance - Commodities	10.555	00473	23,227
Total Child Nutrition Cluster (10.553, 10.555)			622,715
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture			622,715
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ 3,246,688

DRAW ACADEMY, INC NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards ("SEFA") presents federal grant activity of the Academy for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2023, and is reported on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in the SEFA is presented in accordance with the requirements of *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance)*. Therefore, some amounts presented in the SEFA may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the Academy's financial statements.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the SEFA are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented when available. The Academy has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Note 3 - Relationship to Financial Report Submitted to Grantor Agencies

Amounts reflected in the financial reports filed with grantor agencies for the program may not agree with the amounts in the SEFA because of accruals made to present the SEFA on the accrual basis (which would be included in the next report filed with the agencies), as well as matching requirements not included in the SEFA and differences in programs' year-ends.

Note 4 - Reconciliation of Basic Financial Statements

The following is a reconciliation of expenditures of federal awards and revenues on Statement of Activities:

Total shown on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards	\$	3,246,688
Federal revenue accounted for in the general fund:		
USAC E-Rate	_	145,118
Total federal revenue - Statement of Activities	\$	3,391,806

DRAW ACADEMY, INC SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Federal regulations, Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Section 200.511 states, "The auditee is responsible for follow-up and corrective action on all audit findings. As part of this responsibility, the auditee must prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings must report the status of the following:

- All audit findings included in the prior audit's schedule of findings and questioned costs and
- All audit findings reported in the prior audit's summary schedule of prior audit findings except audit findings listed as corrected.

I. Prior Audit Findings

None Noted

DRAW ACADEMY, INC CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Federal regulations, Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations §200.511 states, "At the completion of the audit, the auditee must prepare, in a document separate from the auditor's findings described in §200.516 Audit findings, a corrective action plan to address each audit finding included in the current year auditor's reports."

I. Corrective Action Plan

Not Applicable

