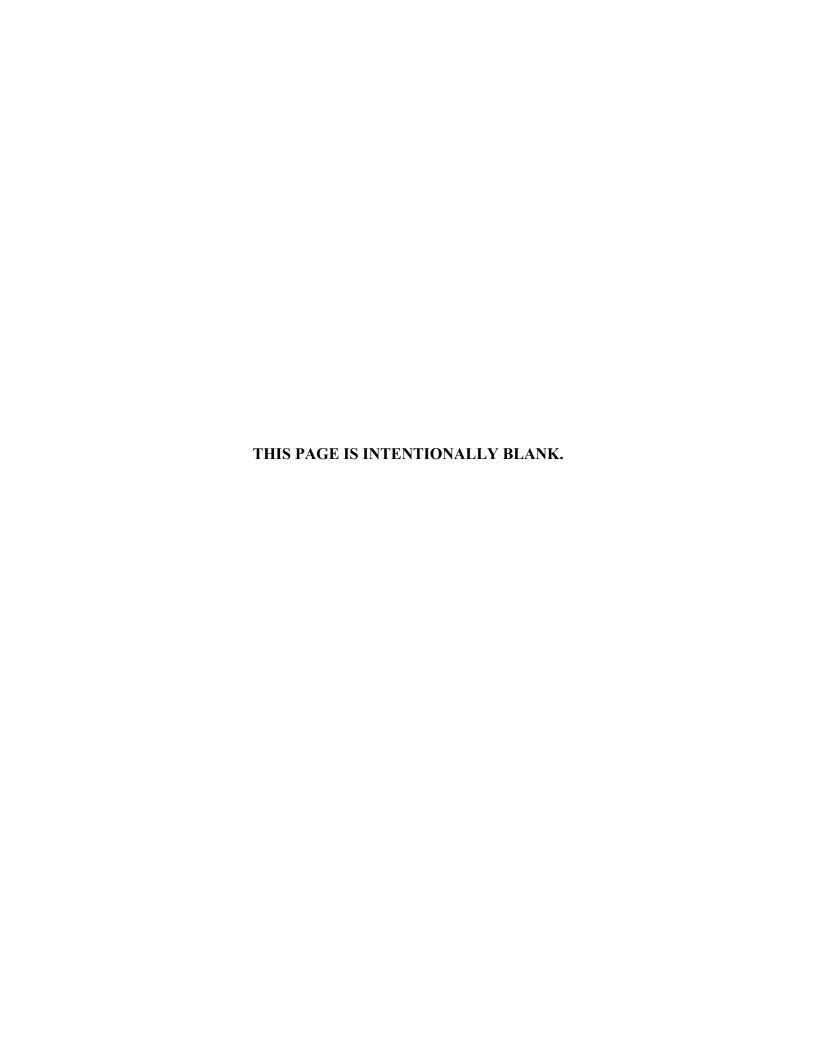
A Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

for the fiscal year ended JUNE 30, 2025

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# **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Directors of the Cornerstone Classical Academy, Inc., a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

# Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

# **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Cornerstone Classical Academy, Inc. ("School"), a charter school and component unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the School, as of June 30, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **Basis for Opinions**

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* (*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 School 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 opinions.

# 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 School's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

# Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the 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 opinions. 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 Standards* 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. 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 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 School'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 financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the School'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.

## Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Budgetary Comparison Schedule, and Note to Required Supplementary Information, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

# Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report September 24, 2025, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, 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 School'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 School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

September 24, 2025

King & Walker, CPAS

Tampa, Florida

A Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - (Unaudited)

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section of the annual financial report of the Cornerstone Classical Academy, Inc., ("School") provides an overview of the School's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025.

Because the information contained in the MD&A is intended to highlight significant transactions, events, and conditions, it should be considered in conjunction with the School's financial statements and notes to financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the School's revenues exceeded expenses as shown on the School's statement of activities by \$3,082,140.
- As shown on the statement of net position, the School reported an unrestricted net position balance of \$5,281,664.

### OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The basic financial statements consist of three components:

- ✓ Government-wide financial statements
- ✓ Fund financial statements
- ✓ Notes to financial statements

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements provide both short-term and long-term information about the School's overall financial condition in a manner similar to those of a private-sector business. The statements include a statement of net position and a statement of activities that are designed to provide consolidated financial information about the governmental activities of the School presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The statement of net position provides information about the government's financial position, its assets and liabilities, using an economic resources measurement focus. The difference between the assets and liabilities, the Net Position, is a measure of the financial health of the School. The statement of activities presents information about the change in the School's Net Position and the results of operations, during the fiscal year. An increase or decrease in Net Position is an indication of whether the School's financial health is improving or deteriorating. To assess the overall financial position of the School, one needs to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the School student base funding level.

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# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - (Unaudited)

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

Fund financial statements are one of the components of the basic financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the School's financial activities, focusing on its most significant funds rather than fund types. This is in contrast to the entity-wide perspective contained in the government-wide statements.

Governmental Funds: Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, the governmental funds utilize a spendable financial resources measurement focus rather than the economic resources measurement focus found in the government-wide financial statements. The financial resources measurement focus allows the governmental fund statements to provide information on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources as well as balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year.

The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that may be used to evaluate the School's near-term financing requirements. This short-term view is useful when compared to the long-term view presented as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. To facilitate this comparison, both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation of governmental fund to governmental activities.

The governmental funds balance sheet and statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide detailed information about the School's most significant funds. The School operates the following funds; a General Fund to account for its general operations; a Debt Service Fund to account for bonded debt; a Capital Projects Fund to account for financial resources that are restricted, committed or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays; and a Special Revenue Fund to account for Federal grant programs and internal account activities. For reporting purposes, all funds are considered major funds.

The School adopts annual budgets for its governmental funds. A budgetary comparison schedule, as required, has been provided for the General Fund and Major Special Revenue Fund to demonstrate compliance with the budgets.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

The notes provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

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# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - (Unaudited)

### **GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The following is a summary of the School's current and prior year net position:

### Net Position, End of Year

	Governmental Activities							
	6-30-24	6-30-25	Increase (Decrease)					
ASSETS								
Current and Other Assets	\$ 27,409,414	\$ 12,544,387	\$ (14,865,027)					
Capital Assets, Net	16,222,423	36,069,963	19,847,540					
Total Assets	43,631,837	48,614,350	4,982,513					
LIABILITIES								
Current Liabilities	434,896	2,458,662	2,023,766					
Noncurrent Liabilities	40,648,758	40,525,365	(123,393)					
Total Liabilities	41,083,654	42,984,027	1,900,373					
NET POSITION								
Net Investment in Capital Assets	(3,575,393)	(1,875,430)	1,699,963					
Restricted for Internal Accounts	299,277	333,017	33,740					
Restricted for Debt Service	2,692,625	1,891,072	(801,553)					
Unrestricted	3,131,674	5,281,664	2,149,990					
Total Net Position	\$ 2,548,183	\$ 5,630,323	\$ 3,082,140					

Current assets consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents. Current liabilities are comprised of salaries and benefits payable, accounts payable, construction contract payable and retainage payable. Total net position amounted to \$5,630,323, which included an unrestricted net position balance of \$5,281,664.

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# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - (Unaudited)

The following is a summary of the School's change in net position for the current and prior year:

## **Operating Results for the Year**

	Governmental Activities						
			Increase				
	6-30-24	6-30-25	(Decrease)				
Revenues:							
Federal Through State and Local	\$ 802,314	\$ 75,341	\$ (726,973)				
State	8,693,379	10,146,589	1,453,210				
Local and Other	2,869,168	3,960,558	1,091,390				
Total Revenues	12,364,861	14,182,488	1,817,627				
Expenses:							
Instruction	5,156,830	5,900,874	744,044				
Student Support Services	114,146	198,552	84,406				
Instruction & Curriculum Development	9,253	14,401	5,148				
Instructional Staff Training	17,552	16,186	(1,366)				
Instructional Related Technology	145,124	7,268	(137,856)				
Board	147,310	76,853	(70,457)				
School Administration	660,363	848,166	187,803				
Facilities Acquisition & Construction	-	10,000	10,000				
Fiscal Services	187,846	99,093	(88,753)				
Food Services	170	354	184				
Student Transportation	1,438	129,635	128,197				
Operation of Plant	866,256	873,654	7,398				
Maintenance of Plant	93,209	151,327	58,118				
Community Service	149,667	188,826	39,159				
Debt Service - Interest	1,879,556	2,251,836	372,280				
Unallocated Depreciation	329,032	333,323	4,291				
Total Expenses	9,757,752	11,100,348	1,342,596				
Increase/(Decrease) in Net Position	\$ 2,607,109	\$ 3,082,140	\$ 475,031				

The largest revenue source for the School is the State of Florida (72%). Revenues from State sources for current operations are primarily received through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) funding formula. The FEFP formula utilizes student enrollment data to determine the funds available for the School. State revenue increased due to an increase in the number of FTE in the current fiscal year and due to the School receiving \$1,720,309 in Fixed Capital Outlay (State Appropriation funds) in the current fiscal year.

The largest concentration of expenses was for Instruction related functions which comprised 55% of total expenses, and consists primarily of instructional salaries. Instructional expenses increased from the prior year due to an increase in instructional staffing and the purchase of instructional supplies and equipment due to the increase in student enrollment.

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# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - (Unaudited)

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL'S FUNDS

#### **Governmental Funds**

As the School completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$10,085,725.

### **BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

The general fund and special revenue fund budgets for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, were developed based on the School's anticipated revenues and expenditures, the expected student population, and Federal grant programs for the school year. Over the course of the year, management monitors and may revise the budgets. For the year ended June 30, 2025, actual expenditures were equal to the final budgeted amounts. Refer to the Budgetary Comparison Schedule for additional information.

# **CAPITAL ASSETS**

The School's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2025, amounts to \$36,069,963 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, construction in progress, buildings and fixed equipment, furniture, fixtures, and equipment, motor vehicles, and improvements other than buildings. Additional information regarding the School's capital assets can be found in a subsequent note to the financial statements.

### **DEBT**

In the 2019-20 fiscal year, the School issued bonds totaling \$16,960,000 to finance the acquisition and renovation of the educational facilities. The remaining balance of these bonds is \$16,270,000 at June 30, 2025.

In the 2023-24 fiscal year, the School issued bonds totaling \$24,140,000 to finance the construction, installing, furnishing, and equipping of a multi-purpose facility with a classroom wing, a gymnasium wing, and a cafeteria wing. The remaining balance of these bonds is \$24,140,000 at June 30, 2025.

Additional information regarding the School's long-term debt is located in the notes to the financial statements.

# REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Cornerstone Classical Academy, Inc.'s finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Director, Cornerstone Classical Academy, Inc., 2360 St. Johns Bluff Road S., Jacksonville, FL 32246.

# CORNERSTONE CLASSICAL ACADEMY, INC. A CHARTER SCHOOL AND COMPONENT UNIT OF THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

# STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2025

	 Sovernment Activities
ASSETS	
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 12,145,637
Due From Other Agencies	170,772
Accounts Receivable	375
Due From Related Party	1,000
Prepaid Items & Deposits	226,603
Capital Assets:	
Land	4,000,000
Buildings & Fixed Equipment, Net	9,930,525
Improvements Other Than Buildings, Net	105,185
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment, Net	77,908
Motor Vehicles, Net	10,389
Construction in Progress	 21,945,956
Total Capital Assets	 36,069,963
TOTAL ASSETS	 48,614,350
LIABILITIES	
Salaries and Benefits Payable	378,554
Accounts Payable	26,269
Construction Contract Payable	1,397,308
Retainage Payable	656,531
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year:	
Bonds Payable	210,000
Due After One Year:	
Bonds Payable	 40,315,365
TOTAL LIABILITIES	 42,984,027
NET POSITION	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	(1,875,430)
Restricted for Internal Accounts	333,017
Restricted for Debt Service	1,891,072
Unrestricted	 5,281,664
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 5,630,323

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

# CORNERSTONE CLASSICAL ACADEMY, INC. A CHARTER SCHOOL AND COMPONENT UNIT OF THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

	_	Expenses	_	Charges for Services	(	gram Revenu Operating Grants and ontributions	ies	Capital Grants and Contributions	_	Net (Expenses) Revenue and Changes Net Position Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:										
Instruction	\$	5,900,874	\$	698,593	\$	75,341	\$	-	\$	(5,126,940)
Student Support Services		198,552		-		-		-		(198,552)
Instruction & Curriculum Development		14,401		-		-		-		(14,401)
Instructional Staff Training		16,186		-		-		-		(16,186)
Instructional Related Technology		7,268		-		-		-		(7,268)
Board		76,853		-		-		-		(76,853)
School Administration		848,166		-		-		-		(848,166)
Facilities Acquisition & Construction		10,000		-		-		-		(10,000)
Fiscal Services		99,093		-		-		-		(99,093)
Food Services		354		-		-		-		(354)
Student Transportation		129,635		-		-		-		(129,635)
Operation of Plant		873,654		-		-		-		(873,654)
Maintenance of Plant		151,327		-		-		-		(151,327)
Community Service		188,826		153,976		-		-		(34,850)
Debt Service - Interest		2,251,836		-		-		1,874,140		(377,696)
Unallocated Depreciation		333,323		-		-		_		(333,323)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	11,100,348	\$	852,569	\$	75,341	\$	1,874,140	_	(8,298,298)
	Ge	eneral Revenue	e							
	5	State Sources								9,396,004
	]	Local and Oth	er							1,984,434
		Total Gener	al R	evenues						11,380,438
	(	Change in Net	Posi	ition						3,082,140
	]	Net Position -	July	1, 2024						2,548,183
	]	Net Position -	June	30, 2025					\$	5,630,323

# CORNERSTONE CLASSICAL ACADEMY, INC. A CHARTER SCHOOL AND COMPONENT UNIT OF THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

# BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2025

		General Fund	_	Special Revenue Fund	_	Capital Projects Fund	_	Debt Service Fund		Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS										
Cash & Cash Equivalents Due From Other Agencies Accounts Receivable Due From Related Party Prepaid Items & Deposits	\$	5,287,737 19,058 375 1,000 226,603	\$	333,017 30,243	\$	4,633,811 121,471 - -	\$	1,891,072 - - -	\$	12,145,637 170,772 375 1,000 226,603
Due from Other Funds		151,714		-		-		-		151,714
Total Assets	\$	5,686,487	\$	363,260	\$	4,755,282	\$	1,891,072	\$	12,696,101
LIABILITIES										
Salaries and Benefits Payable Accounts Payable Construction Contract Payable Retainage Payable	\$	378,554 26,269	\$	- - -	\$	- 1,397,308 656,531	\$	- - -	\$	378,554 26,269 1,397,308 656,531
Due to Other Funds		_		30,243		121,471		_		151,714
Total Liabilities		404,823		30,243		2,175,310		-		2,610,376
FUND BALANCES										
Nonspendable		226,603		-		-		-		226,603
Restricted for Internal Accounts		-		333,017		-		-		333,017
Restricted for Capital Projects		-		-		2,579,972		-		2,579,972
Restricted for Debt Service Unassigned		5,055,061		-		-		1,891,072		1,891,072 5,055,061
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Total Fund Balances	_	5,281,664	_	333,017	_	2,579,972	_	1,891,072	_	10,085,725
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	5,686,487	\$	363,260	\$	4,755,282	\$	1,891,072	\$	12,696,101

# CORNERSTONE CLASSICAL ACADEMY, INC. A CHARTER SCHOOL AND COMPONENT UNIT OF THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

# RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2025

<b>Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds</b>		\$ 10,085,725
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore, are not reported as assets in governmental funds.		36,069,963
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds.		
Bonds Payable	(40,525,365)	 (40,525,365)
<b>Total Net Position - Governmental Activities</b>		\$ 5,630,323

# CORNERSTONE CLASSICAL ACADEMY, INC. A CHARTER SCHOOL AND COMPONENT UNIT OF THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

	General Fund		Special Revenue Fund	-	Capital Projects Fund	_	Debt Service Fund	_	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues									
Intergovernmental:	¢	¢	75 241	\$		\$		\$	75 241
Federal Through State and Local State	\$ - 7,842,344	\$	75,341	Ф	2,304,245	Ф	-	Ф	75,341 10,146,589
Local and Other	1,547,176		414,518		1,892,493		106,371		3,960,558
Total Revenues	9,389,520	-	489,859	_	4,196,738		106,371	_	14,182,488
Total Revenues	9,369,320	-	409,039	_	4,190,738		100,371	_	14,102,400
Expenditures									
Current - Education:									
Instruction	5,444,755		456,119		-		-		5,900,874
Student Support Services	198,552		-		-		-		198,552
Instruction & Curriculum Development	14,401		-		-		-		14,401
Instructional Staff Training	16,186		-		-		-		16,186
Instructional Related Technology	7,268		-		-		-		7,268
Board	76,853		-		-		-		76,853
School Administration	848,166		-		-		-		848,166
Facilities Acquisition & Construction	10,000		-		-		-		10,000
Fiscal Services	99,093		-		-		-		99,093
Food Services	354		-		-		-		354
Student Transportation	129,635		-		-		-		129,635
Operation of Plant	873,654		-		-		-		873,654
Maintenance of Plant	151,327		-		-		-		151,327
Community Service	188,826		-		-		-		188,826
Fixed Capital Outlay:									
Facilities Acquisition & Construction	10,546		-		20,143,369		-		20,153,915
Other Capital Outlay	26,948		-		-		-		26,948
Debt Service:									
Principal	-		-		-		120,000		120,000
Interest			-		-		2,255,229		2,255,229
Total Expenditures	8,096,564		456,119		20,143,369		2,375,229		31,071,281
Excess/(Deficiency) of Revenues									
Over Expenditures	1,292,956		33,740		(15,946,631)		(2,268,858)		(16,888,793)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Transfers In/(Out)	857,034		-		(2,324,339)		1,467,305		-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	857,034		-		(2,324,339)		1,467,305		-
Net Change in Fund Balances	2,149,990		33,740		(18,270,970)		(801,553)		(16,888,793)
Fund Balances, July 1, 2024	3,131,674	-	299,277	_	20,850,942		2,692,625		26,974,518
Fund Balances, June 30, 2025	\$ 5,281,664	\$	333,017	\$	2,579,972	\$	1,891,072	\$	10,085,725

# CORNERSTONE CLASSICAL ACADEMY, INC. A CHARTER SCHOOL AND COMPONENT UNIT OF THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

# RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds		\$ (16,888,793)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures.		
However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is		
allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.		
Capital Outlays	20,180,863	
Depreciation Expense	(333,323)	19,847,540
The repayment of principal of long-term debt is an expenditure in		
the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term		
debt in the statement of net position.		120,000
Expenses in the statement of activities that do not require the use of curre	ent	
financial resources are not reported in the governmental funds:		
Amortization of Bond Premium		 3,393
Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities		\$ 3,082,140

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### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# **Reporting Entity**

Cornerstone Classical Academy, Inc., ("School") is a not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act. The governing body of the School is the not-for-profit corporation Board of Directors, which is comprised of not less than three members.

The general operating authority of the School is contained in Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. The School operates under a charter of the sponsoring school district, the District School Board of Duval County, Florida, ("District"). The current charter is effective until June 30, 2025, and is subject to annual review and may be renewed by mutual agreement between the School and the District. The charter was renewed for an additional 15 years through June 30, 2040. At the end of the term of the charter, the District may choose not to renew the charter under grounds specified in the charter. In this case, the District is required to notify the School in writing at least 90 days prior to the charter's expiration. During the term of the charter, the District may also terminate the charter if good cause is shown. In the event of termination of the charter, the District shall assume operation of the School. The School is considered a component unit of the District; therefore, for financial reporting purposes, the School is required to follow generally accepted accounting principles applicable to state and local governmental units.

Criteria for determining if other entities are potential component units which should be reported within the School's basic financial statements are identified and described in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's (GASB) Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, Sections 2100 and 2600. The application of these criteria provides for identification of any entities for which the School is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the School are such that exclusion would cause the School's basic financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Based on these criteria, no component units are included within the reporting entity of the School.

### Basis of Presentation

<u>Government-wide Financial Statements</u> - Government-wide financial statements, including the statement of Net Position and the statement of activities, present information about the School as a whole.

Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the School's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and are thereby clearly identifiable to a particular function.

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Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the School.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the School in the governmental funds. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is reported in a separate column. Because the focus of governmental fund financial statements differs from the focus of government-wide financial statements, a reconciliation is presented with each of the governmental fund financial statements.

The School's major governmental funds are as follows:

- <u>General Fund</u> to account for all financial resources not required to be accounted for in another fund, and for certain revenues from the State that are legally restricted to be expended for specific current operating purposes.
- <u>Special Revenue Fund</u> to account for certain Federal grant program resources and internal accounts activities.
- <u>Debt Service Fund</u> to account for principal and interest payments related to Series 2020A, 2020B, 2024A, and 2024B bonds.
- <u>Capital Projects Fund</u> to account for the resources earmarked by the Series 2024 bonds and other School capital outlay expenditures.

# **Basis of Accounting**

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures, or expenses, are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Revenues from grants, entitlements, and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, except for certain grant revenues, are recognized when they become measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 30 days of the end of the current fiscal year. When grant terms provide that the expenditure of resources is the prime factor for

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determining eligibility for Federal, State, and other grant resources, revenue is recognized at the time the expenditure is made. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized when due. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation, are not recognized in governmental funds.

# **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less at the date of acquisition.

Cash deposits are held by banks qualified as public depositories under Florida law. Deposits on hand at financial institutions are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Company up to \$250,000.

# **Capital Assets**

Expenditures for capital assets acquired or constructed for general School purposes are reported in the governmental fund that financed the acquisition or construction. The capital assets so acquired are reported at cost in the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the governmental fund financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the School as those costing more than \$2,000. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated assets are recorded at fair value at the date of donation.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	Estimated Lives
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment	5 - 10 years
Improvements Other Than Buildings	15 years
Buildings & Fixed Equipment	39 years
Motor Vehicles	15 years

# **Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

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

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until then. The School does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

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# **Long-Term Liabilities**

Long-term obligations that will be financed from resources to be received in the future by governmental funds are reported as liabilities in the government-wide statement of net position. Capital improvement debt is reported net of unamortized premium. The School amortizes debt premiums over the life of the debt using the straight-line method.

In the governmental fund financial statements, bonds and other long-term obligations are not recognized as liabilities until due.

Changes in long-term liabilities and other information for the current year are reported in subsequent notes to the financial statements.

# > Net Position and Fund Balance Classification

Government-wide Financial Statements

Net Position are classified and reported in three components:

- <u>Net Investment in Capital Assets</u> consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings that are attributed to the acquisition or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted Net Position consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by external groups such as creditors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments.
- <u>Unrestricted Net Position</u> all other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

## Fund Financial Statements

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

- Nonspendable fund balance associated with inventories, prepaid expenses, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed or assigned). All nonspendable fund balances at year end relate to assets that are in nonspendable form.
- Restricted fund balance that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by the constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.
- ➤ <u>Committed</u> fund balance that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the School's Board of Governance.

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- Assigned fund balance that is intended to be used by the School's management for specific purposes but does not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.
- <u>Unassigned</u> fund balance that is the residual amount for the School's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

# Order of Fund Balance Spending Policy

The School's policy is to apply expenditures against nonspendable fund balance, restricted fund balance, committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and unassigned fund balance at the end of the fiscal year. First, nonspendable fund balances are determined. Then restricted fund balances for specific purposes are determined (not including nonspendable amounts). Any remaining fund balance amounts for the non-general funds are to be classified as restricted fund balance. It is possible for the non-general funds to be classified as restricted fund balance. It is possible for the non-general funds to have negative unassigned fund balance when nonspendable amounts plus the amount of restricted fund balances for specific purposes exceed the positive fund balance for non-general fund.

# **Revenue Sources**

Revenues for current operations are received primarily from the District pursuant to the funding provisions included in the School's charter. In accordance with the funding provisions of the charter and Section 1002.33(17), Florida Statutes, the School reports the number of full-time equivalent students and related data to the District.

Under provisions of Section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, the District reports the number of full-time equivalent students and related data to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) for funding through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP). Funding for the School is adjusted during the year to reflect the revised calculations by the FDOE under the FEFP and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students (FTE) reported by the School during designated full-time equivalent student survey periods. The Department may also adjust subsequent fiscal period allocations based upon an audit of the School's compliance in determining and reporting FTE and related data. Normally, such adjustments are treated as reductions or additions of revenue in the year when the adjustments are made.

The basic amount of funding through the FEFP under Section 1011.62 is the product of the (1) unweighted FTE, multiplied by (2) the cost factor for each program, multiplied by (3) the base student allocation established by the legislature. Additional funds for exceptional students who do not have a matrix of services are provided through the guaranteed allocation designated in Section 1011.62(1)(e)2., Florida Statutes. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the School reported 945.56 unweighted FTE and 987.42 weighted FTE.

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FEFP funding may also be adjusted as a result of subsequent FTE audits conducted by the Florida Auditor General pursuant to Section 1010.305, Florida Statutes, and Rule 6A-1.0453, Florida Administrative Code (FAC). Schools are required to maintain the following documentation for three years or until the completion of an FTE audit:

- Attendance and membership documentation (Rule 6A-1.044, FAC).
- Teacher certificates and other certification documentation (Rule 6A-1.0503, FAC).
- Documentation for instructors teaching out-of-field (Rule 6A-1.0503, FAC).
- Procedural safeguards for weighted programs (Rule 6A-6.03411, FAC).
- Evaluation and planning documents for weighted programs (Section 1010.305, Florida Statutes, and Rule 6A-6.03411, FAC).

The School receives Federal or state awards for the enhancement of various educational programs. This assistance is generally received based on applications submitted to and approved by various granting agencies. For Federal or state awards in which a claim to these grant proceeds is based on incurring eligible expenditures, revenue is recognized to the extent that eligible expenditures have been incurred.

The School receives state funds through the District under charter school capital outlay funding pursuant to Section 1013.62, Florida Statutes. Funds are based upon a capital outlay plan submitted to the District and are to be used for lease, rent or construction of school facilities. The School also receives funding through donations and fundraising efforts, school lunch sales, and local property tax collections.

The School follows the policy of applying restricted resources prior to applying unrestricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted assets are available.

# > Income Taxes

The School is exempt from Federal tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been included in the accompanying financial statements. Additionally, no uncertain tax positions have been made requiring disclosure in the related note to financial statements. The School's income tax returns for the past three years are subject to examination by tax authorities and may change upon examination.

# > Use of Estimates

In preparing the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the statement of net position and affect revenues and expenditures for the period presented. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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# > Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated all events subsequent to the balance sheet date and through the report date, which is the date these financial statements were available to be issued. Management determined there are no subsequent events which require disclosure.

#### 2. CASH DEPOSITS

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits. In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School's deposits may not be returned to the School. The School does not have a custodial credit risk policy. All cash deposits are held in banks that qualify as public depositories under Florida law. Deposits on hand at financial institutions are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Company (FDIC) up to \$250,000. As of June 30, 2025, the School was exposed to custodial credit risk. The School's bank accounts exceeded the FDIC insurance limit by \$5,361,754.

#### 3. INVESTMENTS

The School categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

All of the School's recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2025, are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs).

The School's investments at June 30, 2025, are reported as follows:

Investment	Amount
UMB Bank, N.A US Treasury Cash Reserves	\$ 6,524,883
Total	\$ 6,524,883

This investment is reported as a cash equivalent for financial statement reporting purposes.

#### 4. DUE FROM OTHER AGENCIES

The amount Due from Other Agencies included in the accompanying statement of net position and balance sheet – governmental funds consist of amounts due from the District School Board of Duval County for referendum funds recorded in the General Fund and for Federal grants expenditures already paid and awaiting reimbursement recorded in the Special Revenue Fund. It also includes amounts due from the Florida Department of Education funds for Charter School Capital Outlay and from the District for sales surtax funds recorded in the Capital Projects Fund. These receivables are considered to be fully collectible and as such, no allowance for uncollectible is accrued.

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### 5. FUNDING AND CREDIT RISK CONCENTRATIONS

The School receives substantially all of its support and revenue from Federal, state and local funding sources, passed through the District, in the form of performance and budget based contracts. Continuing operation of the School is greatly dependent upon the continued support of these governmental agencies.

### 6. RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the School carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage and settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

### 7. CHANGES IN CAPITAL ASSETS

Changes in capital assets are presented in the table below:

	Beginning			Ending
	Balance	Additions	Deletions	Balance
Governmental Activities:				
Land	\$ 4,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000,000
Construction in Progress	1,792,041	20,153,915	-	21,945,956
Buildings & Fixed Equipment	11,355,524	-	-	11,355,524
Improvements Other Than Buildings	137,302	-	-	137,302
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	189,723	21,448	-	211,171
Motor Vehicles	5,500	5,500		11,000
Total Capital Assets	17,480,090	20,180,863		37,660,953
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Buildings & Fixed Equipment	(1,133,832)	(291,167)	-	(1,424,999)
Improvements Other Than Buildings	(22,724)	(9,393)	-	(32,117)
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	(101,111)	(32,152)	-	(133,263)
Motor Vehicles		(611)		(611)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(1,257,667)	(333,323)		(1,590,990)
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, net	\$ 16,222,423	\$19,847,540	\$ -	\$36,069,963

Unallocated depreciation expense for the fiscal year was \$333,323.

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### 8. BONDS PAYABLE

Bonds payable at June 30, 2025, are as follows:

	Amount	Interest	Annual		
Bond Type	Outstanding	Rates	Maturity To		
Series 2020A	\$16,140,000	6.00%	2050		
Series 2020B	130,000	6.50%	2026		
Series 2024A	23,790,000	5.00-5.50%	2059		
Series 2024B	350,000	7.00%	2028		
Unamortized Bond Premium	115,365				
	\$40,525,365				

Revenue Bonds Series 2020A and 2020B — On March 31, 2020, the School issued tax-exempt revenue bonds (Series 2020A) and taxable revenue bonds (Series 2020B) in the aggregate principal of \$16,960,000 secured by a mortgage on the School's property and buildings. The bonds were issued to acquire and renovate a school facility.

Series 2020 bonds are term bonds paying principal semi-annually at a rate ranging from 6% to 6.5% with maturities starting 6/1/2025, and ending 6/1/2050. Interest is paid quarterly commencing on June 1, 2020.

Revenue Bonds Series 2024A and 2024B — On June 13, 2024, the School issued tax-exempt revenue bonds (Series 2024A) and taxable revenue bonds (Series 2024B) in the aggregate principal of \$24,140,000 secured by a mortgage on the School's property and buildings. The bonds were issued to finance the construction, installing, furnishing, and equipping of a multi-purpose facility with a classroom wing, a gymnasium wing, and a cafeteria wing.

Series 2024 bonds are term bonds paying principal semi-annually at a rate ranging from 5% to 7% with maturities starting 6/1/2028, and ending 6/1/2059. Interest is paid semiannually commencing on December 1, 2024.

As required by the bond resolution, the School has established a reserve account and has accumulated and maintained adequate resources in the reserve account.

In the event of default for non-payment of principal or interest on the bonds, the outstanding amounts will become due and payable. The School is required to disclose its debt service coverage ratio and days cash on hand as described in the Loan Agreement. The minimum debt service coverage ratio is 1.10 to 1 (the "Debt Service Coverage Requirement") starting with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. The School's annual debt service coverage ratio as calculated was 2.39. The School's maximum debt service coverage ratio as calculated was 2.02. Further, the School agrees to have cash on hand at June 30, 2025, and each fiscal year thereafter until the bonds are no longer outstanding in amounts not less than 45 Days Cash on Hand. The School's number of days cash on hand was calculated to be 227 days.

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Annual requirements to amortize all bonded debt outstanding as of June 30, 2025, follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Total	Principal	Interest		
2026	\$ 2,492,250	\$ 210,000	\$ 2,282,250		
2027	2,790,563	495,000	2,295,563		
2028	2,797,812	535,000	2,262,812		
2029	2,796,913	565,000	2,231,913		
2030	2,800,863	600,000	2,200,863		
2031-35	13,986,063	3,510,000	10,476,063		
2036-40	13,977,150	4,595,000	9,382,150		
2041-45	13,984,775	6,055,000	7,929,775		
2046-50	17,681,725	11,815,000	5,866,725		
2051-55	7,944,800	5,175,000	2,769,800		
2056-59	7,948,400	6,855,000	1,093,400		
Unamortized					
Bond Premium	115,365	115,365	-		
Total	\$89,316,679	\$ 40,525,365	\$ 48,791,314		

### 9. CHANGES IN LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities:

	Beginning Balance	· ·		Ending Balance		Due in One Year		
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:								
Bonds Payable	\$40,530,000	\$	-	\$ (120,000)	\$	40,410,000	\$	210,000
Unamortized Bond Premium	118,758		-	(3,393)		115,365		-
Total Governmental Activities	\$40,648,758	\$	-	\$ (123,393)	\$	40,525,365	\$	210,000

### 10. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES & PAYABLES & INTERFUND TRANSFERS

At June 30, 2025, the Special Revenue Fund and Capital Projects Fund owed the General Fund \$30,243 and \$121,471, respectively, for expenditures incurred awaiting reimbursement from the School District. The amounts of interfund receivables and payables are netted together and not reported in the statement of net position.

The School's Capital Projects Fund transferred \$1,480,479 to the Debt Service Fund for principal and interest payments owed on long-term debt and \$857,034 to the General Fund to construction expenditures paid. The Debt Service Fund transferred \$13,174 to the Capital Projects Fund to fund the bond project account to be used for the construction of the additional educational facility. The amounts of interfund transfers are netted together and not reported on the statement of activities.

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#### 11. RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE & NET POSITION

The School has a restricted net position and Debt Service Fund balance to restrict those funds that are held in the bond reserve accounts and to be used for bond debt service payments. In addition, the School has a restricted Special Revenue Fund balance for funds held for school internal accounts. The School also has a restricted Capital Projects Fund balance to restrict those funds that are held in the bond project account to be used for the construction of the additional educational facility.

#### 12. SCHEDULE OF STATE REVENUE SOURCES

The following is a schedule of the School's State revenue:

Source	Amount		
Florida Education Finance Program	\$ 6,629,345		
Categorical Programs:			
Class Size Reduction		922,984	
School Recognition		118,646	
Charter School Capital Outlay		583,936	
Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten		166,649	
State Appropriation (PECO)		1,720,309	
Miscellaneous		4,720	
Total State Revenue	\$	10,146,589	

As provided in the charter school contract, the District has charged the School an administrative fee totaling \$39,951.

### 13. CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT COMMITMENTS

Project	Contract Amount	Completed to Date	Balance Committed
Cornerstone Classical Academy -			
Project Management Services, Inc.	\$ 640,428	\$ 587,593	\$ 52,835
Gymnasium & Upper Division Expansion -			
Rowe Architects	1,294,859	1,215,420	79,439
Cornerstone Classical Academy Upper School -			
Auld & White Constructors	15,573,812	14,386,260	1,187,552
Total	\$ 17,509,099	\$ 16,189,273	\$ 1,319,826

# 14. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

The School entered into a contract with a professional accounting services company, which provides accounting and financial services and other assistance to the School. Fees under this agreement incurred during the 2024-25 fiscal year for financial services amounted to \$72,000. This contract may be cancelled by either party with 30 days advance notice.

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### 15. PENSION PLAN

The School participates in a defined contribution 401(k) plan for participating employees. Contributions made by the School totaled \$55,616 for the year ended June 30, 2025, which were computed at 2% of employee compensation for each participating employee. Contributions are directed to individual employee's accounts, and the individual employees allocate contributions and account balances among various available investment choices, therefore, the School has no liability for the administration or payments of benefits of the plan, and accordingly, the present value of the related benefits is not reflected in these financial statements. The rate of contribution is set annually by the School's Board of Directors

### 16. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The School participates in state grant programs, which are governed by various rules and regulations of the grantor agencies. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies, therefore, to the extent that the School has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, refunds of any money received may be required and the collectability of any related receivables at June 30, 2025, may be impaired.

In the opinion of the School, there are no significant liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying financial statements for such contingencies.

### 17. LEGAL MATTERS

In the normal course of conducting its operations, the School occasionally becomes party to various legal actions and proceedings. In the opinion of management, the ultimate resolution of such legal matters will not have a significant adverse effect on the accompanying financial statements.

# CORNERSTONE CLASSICAL ACADEMY, INC. A CHARTER SCHOOL AND COMPONENT UNIT OF THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND & SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - (UNAUDITED)

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

	General Fund				Special Revenue Fund				
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)	
Revenues:									
Intergovernmental:									
Federal Through State and Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,530	\$ 75,341	\$ 75,341	\$ -	
State	7,664,968	7,842,344	7,842,344	-	-	-	-	-	
Local and Other	1,528,233	1,547,176	1,547,176		227,899	414,518	414,518		
Total Revenues	9,193,201	9,389,520	9,389,520		261,429	489,859	489,859		
Expenditures:				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
Current - Education:									
Instruction	5,125,482	5,444,755	5,444,755	-	432,288	456,119	456,119	-	
Student Support Services	65,696	198,552	198,552	-	· <u>-</u>	· -	=	=	
Instruction & Curriculum Development		14,401	14,401	-	-	-	=	=	
Instructional Staff Training	45,024	16,186	16,186	-	_	_	-	-	
Instructional Related Technology	34,000	7,268	7,268	-	-	-	=	=	
Board	161,168	76,853	76,853	-	_	_	-	-	
School Administration	748,065	848,166	848,166	-	_	_	-	-	
Facilities Acquisition & Construction	22,216	10,000	10,000	-	_	_	-	-	
Fiscal Services	210,037	99,093	99,093	-	_	_	-	-	
Food Services	172	354	354	-	_	_	-	-	
Student Transportation	-	129,635	129,635	-	_	_	-	-	
Operation of Plant	1,060,297	873,654	873,654	-	_	_	-	-	
Maintenance of Plant	79,146	151,327	151,327	-	_	_	-	-	
Community Service	195,047	188,826	188,826	-	_	_	-	-	
Fixed Capital Outlay:	,	,	,						
Facilities Acquisition & Construction	-	10,546	10,546	-	_	_	-	-	
Other Capital Outlay	_	26,948	26,948	_	_	_	-	-	
Total Expenditures	7,748,221	8,096,564	8,096,564		432,288	456,119	456,119		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues									
Over Expenditures	1,444,980	1,292,956	1,292,956	-	(170,859)	33,740	33,740	-	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Transfers (Out)	_	857,034	857,034	_	_	_	_	_	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		857,034	857,034		-	-			
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,444,980	2,149,990	2,149,990		(170,859)	33,740	33,740		
Fund Balances, July 1, 2024	3,131,674	3,131,674	3,131,674	-	299,277	299,277	299,277	_	
Fund Balances, June 30, 2025	\$ 4,576,654	\$ 5,281,664	\$ 5,281,664	\$ -	\$ 128,418	\$ 333,017	\$ 333,017	\$ -	
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A Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

# NOTE TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION June 30, 2025

# 1. BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Budgets are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the object level (e.g., salaries and benefits, purchased services, materials and supplies and capital outlay) within each activity (e.g., instruction, pupil personnel services and school administration). Budgets may be amended by resolution at any Board meeting prior to the date for the annual report.



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# 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 Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Directors of the Cornerstone Classical Academy, Inc., a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

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 the governmental activities and each major fund of Cornerstone Classical Academy, Inc. ("School"), a charter school and component unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 24, 2025.

# **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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 were not identified.

# **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

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

# **Purpose of This Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

September 24, 2025

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# Management Letter as Required by Rules of the Florida Auditor General, Chapter 10.850, Florida Statutes, *Charter School Audits*

To the Board of Directors of the Cornerstone Classical Academy, Inc., a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida

# **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the financial statements of the Cornerstone Classical Academy, Inc., ("School"), a Charter School and Component Unit of the District School Board of Duval County, Florida, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, and have issued our report thereon dated September 24, 2025.

## **Auditor's Responsibility**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.850, Rules of the Auditor General.

# **Other Reporting Requirements**

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated September 24, 2025, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

### **Prior Audit Findings**

Section 10.854(1)(e)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no prior audit findings or recommendations.

#### **Official Title**

Section 10.854(1)(e)5., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title of the entity and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education be disclosed in this management letter. The official title and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education of the entity are Cornerstone Classical Academy, 165801.

# **Financial Condition and Management**

Sections 10.854(1)(e)2. and 10.855(11), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate whether or not the School has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the School did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.854(1)(e)6.a. and 10.855(12), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for the School. It is management's responsibility to monitor the School's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and review of financial information provided by same.

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

# **Transparency**

Sections 10.854(1)(e)7. and 10.855(13), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether the School maintains on its Web site the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we determined that the School maintained on its Web site the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes.

#### Additional Matters

Section 10.854(1)(e)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

### **Purpose of this Letter**

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies the Board of Directors, applicable management, and District School Board of Duval County, Florida and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

September 24, 2025

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