

**COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES – DOUGLAS COUNTY**

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**June 30, 2021**

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## **FINANCIAL SECTION**

Board of Directors  
Colorado Early Colleges – Douglas County  
Parker, Colorado

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Colorado Early Colleges – Douglas County, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

## **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Colorado Early Colleges – Douglas County, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Other Matters**

### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, the budgetary comparison information, the schedules of the School's proportionate share, and the schedules of the Schools contributions on pages 52-56 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, 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.

*PB Solutions LLC*

October 15, 2021

# **Colorado Early Colleges-Douglas County**

## **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

### **Year Ended June 30, 2021**

As management of Colorado Early Colleges- Douglas Count (CEC-DC), we offer readers of these financial statements this narrative and analysis of the financial activities of CEC-DC for the year ended June 30, 2021. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information provided in the financial statements.

#### **Financial Highlights**

The year ended June 30, 2021, is the seventh year of operations for CEC-DC. As of June 30, 2021, net position changed by \$(1,604,921) to \$(7,506,736). This negative balance is the result of the implementation of regulations under the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement (GASB) Numbers 68 and 75. Further information about GASB 68 and 75 is provided in Notes 6 and 7 of the financial statements. The operations of CEC-DC are funded primarily by tax revenue received under the Colorado School Finance Act in Per Pupil Revenue. Such revenue for the year was \$6,460,123. At the close of the fiscal year, CEC-DC's governmental fund reported an ending fund balance of \$2,799,498 an increase of \$333,133 from prior year.

#### **Overview of Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to CEC-DC's financial statements. The statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. For the year ended June 30, 2021, CEC-DC had its seventh financial audit completed.

#### *Governmental Financial Statements*

The government-wide statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of CEC-DC's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all CEC-DC's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows and outflows, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of CEC-DC is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how CEC-DC's net position changed during the year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows in future periods. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g. uncollected grant expenses and earned but unpaid salary and benefits).

### *Fund Financial Statements*

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that are used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. CEC-DC, like other local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental fund, its general fund.

CEC-DC adopts an annual budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison has been provided for the general fund on page 52 as part of the basic financial statements.

### *Notes to Financial Statements*

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

As noted previously, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of CEC-DC's financial position. For the year ended June 30, 2021, CEC-DC's Liabilities were more than its assets by \$7,506,736. Approximately \$313,000 of total net assets is restricted to comply with Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, known as the TABOR Amendment. Investment in capital assets is (\$2,884,059).

### **Net position as of June 30, 2021**

The total net position of CEC-DC decreased to \$(7,506,736) for the year ended June 30, 2021, from \$(5,901,815), restated, for the year ended June 30, 2020. This change in net position of \$(1,604,921) resulted, primarily, from the school including the net pension liability per the requirements of the GASB statements.

## Statement of Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>6/30/21</u>	<u>6/30/20</u>
Cash and Investments	\$ 2,717,503	\$ 2,565,012
Restricted Cash and Investments	6,326,210	17,187,902
Other Assets	155,892	122,766
Capital Assets, Net	39,784,731	21,758,514
Total Assets	<u>48,984,336</u>	<u>41,634,194</u>
Deferred Outflow of Resources	<u>4,880,245</u>	<u>1,499,819</u>
Current Liabilities	402,186	1,997,665
Accrued Interest	1,154,958	1,154,958
Noncurrent Liabilities	56,794,239	54,958,870
Total Liabilities	<u>58,351,383</u>	<u>58,111,493</u>
Deferred Inflow of Resources	<u>3,019,934</u>	<u>3,017,457</u>
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	(2,884,059)	(18,766,834)
Restricted	313,146	212,000
Unrestricted	(4,935,823)	559,897
Total Net Position	<u>\$(7,506,736)</u>	<u>\$(17,994,937)</u>



## Statement of Changes in Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	6/30/21	6/30/20
Program Revenue:		
Charges for Services	\$ 1,234,481	\$ 1,514,230
Operating Grants and Contributions	2,184,123	353,648
Capital Grants and Contributions	250,824	175,954
Total Program Revenue	<u>3,669,428</u>	<u>2,043,832</u>
General Revenue:		
Per Pupil Operating Revenue	6,460,123	5,137,050
Mill Levy Override	245,208	257,736
Investment Earnings	16,027	184,829
Special Items	648,566	(11,146,621)
Other	23,793	56,313
Total General Revenue	<u>7,393,717</u>	<u>(5,510,693)</u>
Total Revenue	<u>11,063,145</u>	<u>(3,466,861)</u>
Expenses:		
Instruction	3,804,291	3,292,001
Supporting Services	6,580,525	4,789,942
Interest and Fiscal Charges	2,283,250	2,427,104
Total Expenses	<u>12,668,066</u>	<u>10,509,047</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	(1,604,921)	(13,975,908)
Beginning Net Position, Restated	<u>(5,901,815)</u>	<u>(4,019,029)</u>
Ending Net Position	<u>\$ (7,506,736)</u>	<u>\$ (17,994,937)</u>

The operations of CEC-DC are funded primarily by the per pupil revenue received under the State School Finance Act. PPR revenue for the 2020-2021 fiscal year totaled \$6,460,123.

## **Financial Analysis of CECDC's Funds**

CEC-DC has one governmental fund, the general fund. The general fund is considered a major fund and is used to account for CEC-DC's general operations. The general fund had a fund balance of \$2,466,365 at the beginning of the year. The fund balance of the general fund increased by \$333,133 as of June 30, 2021. In addition, a reserve of approximately \$313,000 on June 30, 2021, has been made to satisfy the requirements of the TABOR Amendment. CEC-DC has a positive unreserved fund balance of \$2,486,352, which is shown net of accounts payable and accrued salaries and benefits.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the School's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

### **Proprietary Funds**

The School also maintains a proprietary fund to record the activity of the Colorado Early Colleges – Douglas County Building Corporation (the Building Corporation). The Building Corporation was formed solely to issue and pay debt on behalf of the School and to fund the construction and improvement of Buildings.

## **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The School approves a final general fund budget in June based on enrollment projections for the school year. In October, after enrollment stabilizes, adjustments are made to the budget. At year-end, the school had some variances between its final budgeted and actual activities. Overall, the school recognized \$2,848,705 less revenue than expected but spent \$2,972,382 less than planned, when compared to the final budget.

## **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

As of June 30, 2021, capital assets consist primarily of buildings, leasehold improvements, furniture, and equipment. Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation on June 30, 2021, were \$39,784,731. See Note 4 for more information.

A prior period adjustment was made in this year's audit due to the leasehold building acquisition of Castle Rock which was omitted from Capital Assets as of June 30, 2020 and recorded as an expense. The school had a restatement of beginning balances. See Note 12 for more information.

CEC-DC has long-term debt in the form of Series 2020A and B Bonds. Proceeds from the Bonds were used to refinance the Building Corporations outstanding debt, purchase the school's facilities and to make capital improvements.

## **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget**

The primary factor in future budget development for CEC-DC is student enrollment. CEC-DC's enrollment is expected to be 1186 students for the 2020-2021 school year. CEC-DC also consider stability in per pupil funding levels to be an important factor in developing its budget for fiscal year 2020.

## **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of CEC-DC's finances for all those with an interest in CEC-DC. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to:

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## **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

As of June 30, 2021

	<u>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and Investments	\$ 2,717,503
Restricted Cash and Investments	6,326,210
Due From CSI	155,892
Capital Assets, Not Depreciated	-
Capital Assets, Depreciated, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>39,784,731</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>48,984,336</b></u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Related to Pensions	4,723,187
Related to OPEB	<u>157,058</u>
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<u><b>4,880,245</b></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts Payable	177,939
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	188,100
Accrued Interest Payable	1,154,958
Due to Network	25,194
Unearned Revenue	10,953
Noncurrent Liabilities	
Due in One Year	300,000
Due in More than One Year	48,695,000
Net Pension Liability	7,526,214
Net OPEB Liability	<u>273,025</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u><b>58,351,383</b></u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Related to Pensions	2,932,012
Related to OPEB	<u>87,922</u>
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<u><b>3,019,934</b></u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	(2,884,059)
Restricted for Emergencies	313,146
Unrestricted	<u>(4,935,823)</u>
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<u><u><b>\$ (7,506,736)</b></u></u>

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

COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	EXPENSES	PROGRAM REVENUES		GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
		CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS		
<b>PRIMARY GOVERNMENT</b>					
<b>Governmental Activities</b>					
Instructional	\$ 3,804,291	\$ 1,234,481	\$ 41,228	\$ -	\$ (2,528,582)
Supporting Services	6,580,525	-	2,142,895	250,824	(4,186,806)
Interest and Other Fiscal Charges	2,283,250	-	-	-	(2,283,250)
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	<u>\$ 12,668,066</u>	<u>\$ 1,234,481</u>	<u>\$ 2,184,123</u>	<u>\$ 250,824</u>	(8,998,638)
			<b>GENERAL REVENUES</b>		
			Per Pupil Revenue		6,460,123
			Mill Levy Override		245,208
			Interest		16,027
			Other		23,793
			<b>SPECIAL ITEM</b>		
			PPP Loan Forgiveness		648,566
			<b>TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES</b>		<u>7,393,717</u>
			<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>		(1,604,921)
			<b>NET POSITION, Beginning, Restated</b>		<u>(5,901,815)</u>
			<b>NET POSITION, Ending</b>		<u>\$ (7,506,736)</u>

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COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

BALANCE SHEET  
GENERAL FUND  
June 30, 2021

	GENERAL FUND
ASSETS	
Cash and Investments	\$ 2,717,503
Due From CSI	155,892
Due from Other Fund	245,167
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 3,118,562</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 120,011
Accrued Salaries	188,100
Unearned Revenue	10,953
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>319,064</u>
FUND BALANCES	
Restricted for Emergencies	313,146
Unassigned	2,486,352
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>2,799,498</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 3,118,562</u>

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COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Total fund balances of governmental funds \$ 2,799,498

Long-term liabilities and related assets are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Net Pension Liability	(7,526,214)	
Net OPEB Liability	<u>(273,025)</u>	(7,799,239)

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Deferred outflows of resources - Change in Proportionate Share	3,250,622	
Deferred outflows of resources - Subsequent Contributions	335,039	
Deferred outflows of resources - Expected vs Actual Experience	413,528	
Deferred outflows of resources - Change in Assumptions	723,998	
Deferred inflows of resources - Projected vs Actual Investments Earnings	(1,656,691)	
Deferred inflows of resources - Change in Assumptions	(1,265,093)	
Deferred inflows of resources - Change in Proportionate Share	<u>(10,228)</u>	1,791,175

Deferred outflows of resources - Change in Proportionate Share OPEB	137,108	
Deferred outflows of resources - Subsequent Contributions OPEB	17,185	
Deferred outflows of resources - Expected vs Actual Experience OPEB	725	
Deferred outflows of resources - Change in Assumptions OPEB	2,040	
Deferred inflows of resources - Projected vs Actual Investment Earnings OPEB	(11,156)	
Deferred inflows of resources - Expected vs Actual Experience OPEB	(60,024)	
Deferred inflows of resources - Change in Assumptions OPEB	<u>(16,742)</u>	<u>69,136</u>

Internal Service Funds are used by management to charge the lease costs to governmental funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in the governmental activities in the statement of net position.

(4,367,306)

Net position of governmental activities

\$ (7,506,736)

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



COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GENERAL FUND  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>
REVENUES	
Local Sources	\$ 9,611,849
State Sources	314,881
Federal Sources	<u>471,822</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>10,398,552</u>
EXPENDITURES	
Current	
Instruction	4,954,324
Supporting Services	<u>5,111,095</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>10,065,419</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	333,133
FUND BALANCES, Beginning	<u>2,466,365</u>
FUND BALANCES, Ending	<u><u>\$ 2,799,498</u></u>

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

COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,  
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds		\$ 333,133
Some revenues reported in the statement of activities do not provide current financial resources and are not reported in the governmental funds.		
PPP Loan Forgiveness		641,511
Deferred Charges related to pensions and OPEB are not recognized in the governmental funds. However, for the government-wide statements those amounts are capitalized and amortized.		
Deferred charges related to Pension Plan	378,504	
Deferred charges related to OPEB	<u>67,565</u>	446,069
The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the cost of lease payments to the governmental funds. The net revenue of the Internal Service Fund is reported with the governmental activities.		<u>(3,025,634)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities		<u><u>\$ (1,604,921)</u></u>

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

COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES -DOUGLAS COUNTY

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
 PROPRIETARY FUND  
 June 30, 2021

	Governmental Activities <u>Internal Service Fund</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Restricted Cash and Investments	<u>\$ 6,326,210</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>6,326,210</u>
Noncurrent Assets	
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	-
Capital Assets, Depreciated, Net	<u>39,784,731</u>
Total Noncurrent Assets	<u>39,784,731</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>46,110,941</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	57,928
Due to Other Funds	245,167
Due to Network	25,194
Accrued Interest Payable	1,154,958
Bonds Payable, Current Portion	<u>300,000</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,783,247</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities	
Bonds Payable	<u>48,695,000</u>
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	<u>48,695,000</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>50,478,247</u>
NET POSITION	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	(2,884,059)
Unrestricted	<u>(1,483,247)</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ (4,367,306)</u>

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

COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION  
PROPRIETARY FUND  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Governmental Activities <u>Internal Service Fund</u>
OPERATING REVENUES	
Rent Income	\$ 859,003
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	<u>859,003</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Purchased Services	121,536
Property	502,876
Depreciation	<u>1,000,057</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>1,624,469</u>
NET OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	<u>(765,466)</u>
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	
Earnings on Investments	16,027
Interest Expense	<u>(2,276,195)</u>
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	<u>(2,260,168)</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(3,025,634)
NET POSITION, Beginning, Restated	<u>(1,341,672)</u>
NET POSITION, Ending	<u><u>\$ (4,367,306)</u></u>

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

COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
 PROPRIETARY FUND

Year Ended June 30, 2021  
 Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents

	Governmental Activities
	<u>Internal Service Fund</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Cash Received from Rental Operations	\$ 859,003
Cash Paid to Suppliers	(2,382,979)
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	<u>(1,523,976)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Purchase of Capital Assets	(7,077,548)
Principal Payments on Long Term Debt	-
Interest Payments	(2,276,195)
Net Cash Provided by Capital Financing Activities	<u>(9,353,743)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Interest Received	<u>16,027</u>
NET INCREASE(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(10,861,692)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, Beginning	<u>17,187,902</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, Ending	<u>\$ 6,326,210</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>\$ (765,466)</u>
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	
Depreciation Expense	1,000,057
Changes in Assets and Liabilities	
Due To Other Funds	(224,937)
Accounts Payable	(1,533,630)
Total Adjustments	<u>(758,510)</u>
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	<u>\$ (1,523,976)</u>

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

COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES – DOUGLAS COUNTY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2021

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Colorado Early Colleges-Douglas County (the “School”) was formed in 2014 pursuant to the Colorado Charter Schools Act to form and operate a charter school. The School was approved for replication as part of the Colorado Springs Early Colleges Corporation. The School provides a means for students to obtain college credit while completing their high school diploma requirements. The School is a member of the Charter School Institute (“CSI”) and receives state funding from this Organization. The School is governed by an eight-member Board of Directors.

The accounting policies of the School conform with generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental entities. The Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and reporting principles. Following is a summary of the more significant policies:

**Reporting Entity**

The definition of the reporting entity is based primarily on financial accountability. The financial reporting entity consists of the School and organizations for which the School is financially accountable. It is also financially accountable for legally separate organizations if the School’s officials appoint a voting majority for the organization’s governing body and either it is able to impose its will on the organization, or if the organization provides benefits to, or imposes financial burdens on the School. The School may also be financially accountable for organizations that are fiscally dependent upon it.

Based on the application of this criteria, the School includes the following organizations within its reporting entity:

Colorado Early Colleges – Douglas County Building Corporation (the “Corporation”) and ACS Building Corporation ( the “ACS Corporation”)

The Corporations were formed to support the School to perform its function and to carry out its purpose, specifically to provide a mechanism to issue debt on behalf of the School.

ACS Corporation amended its Articles of Incorporation in 2019 to make the School its sole member. ACS Corporation owns the lease to the property located at 3565 Celestial Avenue, Castle Rock.

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

**Reporting Entity** (Continued)

The Corporation and ACS Corporation are considered to be part of the School for financial reporting purposes because their resources are entirely for the benefit of the School. They are both reported in the School's financial statements as an internal service fund. Separate financial statements are not available for the Corporation and ACS Corporation.

**Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the School. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by intergovernmental revenues, are reported in a single column.

The statement of net position reports all financial, capital and debt resources of the School. The difference between the assets plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources of the School is reported as net position.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of the given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to students or other customers who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Unrestricted intergovernmental revenue and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Major individual governmental funds are reported in separate columns in the fund financial statements.

**Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation**

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

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June 30, 2021

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

**Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation**  
(Continued)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period.

Intergovernmental revenues, grants, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the School.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, are recorded only when payment is due.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the School's practice to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

In the fund financial statements, the School reports the following major governmental funds:

The *General Fund* is the School's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the School, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

In addition, the School reports the following fund type:

The *Internal Service Fund* accounts for the activities of the Corporation and ACS Corporation.

**Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balance/Net Position**

Deposits and Investments – For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the School considers cash and cash equivalents to be all demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity date of three months or less. Investments are stated at fair value.



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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balance/Net Position (Continued)**

Receivables – All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

Prepaid Expenses – Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit future periods are recorded as prepaid expenses. An expenditure is reported in the year in which the services are consumed.

Capital Assets – Capital assets, which include property and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the School as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$10,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated acquisition value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Depreciation of exhaustible capital assets is charged as an expense against operations, and accumulated depreciation is reported on the statement of net position in the government-wide financial statements. Property and equipment of the School is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives.

Buildings and Improvements	30 years
Building Improvements	15 years

Unearned Revenues – The deferred revenues include amounts received but not yet available for expenditure.

Accrued Salaries and Benefits – Salaries and retirement benefits of certain contractually employed personnel are paid over a twelve-month period from August to July but are earned during a school year of approximately nine to ten months. The salaries and benefits earned, but unpaid, as of June 30, 2021, were \$188,100. The accrued compensation is reported as a liability in the General Fund.

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June 30, 2021

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

**Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balance/Net Position** (Continued)

Deferred Outflows of Resources - In addition to assets, the statement of financial position and balance sheets will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflow of resources, represents a consumption of net position and fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

Deferred Inflows of Resources - In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position and balance sheets will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflow of resources, represents an acquisition of net position and fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

Long-Term Debt – In the government-wide financial statements long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as current expenditures.

Compensated Absences – The School’s policy allows employees to accumulate paid time off. Employees who resign or terminate employment will be paid for their unused paid time off up to a maximum of 8 days provide they have completed five or more years of service to the School. At June 30, 2021, no liability has been accrued for these compensated absences.

Net Position– The government-wide and business-type fund financial statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is categorized as investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted.

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June 30, 2021

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

**Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balance/Net Position** (Continued)

Investment in Capital Assets is intended to reflect the portion of net position which are associated with non-liquid, capital assets less outstanding capital asset related debt. The net related debt is the debt less the outstanding liquid assets and any associated unamortized cost.

Restricted Net Position are liquid assets, which have third party limitations on their use.

Unrestricted Net Position represents assets that do not have any third-party limitation on their use. While School management may have categorized and segmented portion for various purposes, the School Board has the unrestricted right to revisit or alter these managerial decisions.

Fund Balance Classification – The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the School is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent. The classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements are as follows:

- Nonspendable – This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent either because they are not in a spendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The School does not report any fund balances as nonspendable at June 30, 2021.
- Restricted – This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through a debt covenant), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The School has classified Emergency Reserves as being restricted because their use is restricted by State Statute for declared emergencies.
- Committed – This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Board of Directors. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Directors removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) that was employed when the funds were initially committed. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

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June 30, 2021

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

**Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balance/Net Position** (Continued)

The School did not have any committed resources as of June 30, 2021.

- Assigned – This classification includes spendable fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for a specific purpose that are neither considered restricted nor committed. The School did not have any assigned resources as of June 30, 2021.
- Unassigned – This classification includes the residual fund balance for the General Fund. The unassigned classification also includes negative residual fund balance of any other governmental fund that cannot be eliminated by offsetting of assigned fund balance amounts.

The School would typically use Restricted fund balances first, followed by Committed resources, and then Assigned resources, as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend Unassigned fund balance.

**Risk Management**

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, injuries to employees, and natural disasters. The School purchases commercial insurance for these risks of loss. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in the last three years.

**Income Taxes**

The School is a tax-exempt entity under section 501 (c) 3 of the US Internal Revenue Code. The School's tax filings are subject to audit by various taxing authorities. The School believes it has no significant uncertain tax provisions for the year ended June 30, 2021.

**Subsequent Events**

The School has evaluated events subsequent to the year ended June 30, 2021, through October 15, 2021, the date these financial statements were issued, and has incorporated any required recognition into these financial statements.

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June 30, 2021

**NOTE 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

**Budgets**

A budget is adopted for the General Fund on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Management submits to the Board of Directors a proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1. The budget is adopted by the Board of Directors prior to June 30. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the fund level. Revisions to the budget must be approved by the Board of Directors. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

**NOTE 3: CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

At June 30, 2021, cash and investments consist of the following:

Deposits	\$ 1,614,697
Investments	<u>7,429,016</u>
Total	<u>\$ 9,043,713</u>

The above amounts are classified in the statement of net position as follows

Cash and Investments - Unrestricted	\$ 4,081,062
Cash and Investments - Restricted	<u>4,962,651</u>
Total	<u>\$ 9,043,713</u>

**Deposits**

**Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by state regulations. At June 30, 2021, State regulatory commissioners have indicated that all financial institutions holding deposits for the School are eligible public depositories.

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**NOTE 3:** **CASH AND INVESTMENTS** (Continued)

**Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits** (Continued)

Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized by eligible collateral as determined by the PDPA. PDPA allows the financial institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds held. The pool is to be maintained by another institution or held in trust for all the uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be at least equal to 102% of the uninsured deposits.

**Pooled Cash with Colorado Early Colleges Network**

The School's cash deposits are pooled with the Colorado Early Colleges Network ("CEC Network"). Funds are held in one or more PDPA eligible banking institutions under the CEC Network Office. At June 30, 2021, the School's balance in equity in unrestricted pooled cash and investments of CEC Network Schools totaled \$4,081,062.

**Investments**

**Interest Rate Risk**

The School does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

**Credit Risk**

Colorado statutes specify in which instruments the units of local government may invest which includes:

- Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. government agency securities
- Certain international agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities
- Bankers' acceptances of certain banks
- Commercial paper
- Local government investment pools
- Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities
- Certain money market funds
- Guaranteed investment contracts

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**NOTE 3:** **CASH AND INVESTMENTS** (Continued)

**Investments** (Continued)

Credit Risk (Continued)

The School does not have a formal investment policy to limit credit risk. However, the School follows state statutes regarding investments.

Local Government Investment Pools

The School has invested \$7,429,016 in the Colorado Government Liquid Asset Trust (ColoTrust) an investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado pursuant to Title 24, Article 75, Part 7 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to pool surplus funds for investment purposes. The State Securities Commissioner administers and enforces the requirements of creating and operating the Pools. The Trust operates similar to a money market fund and each share is equal in value to \$1.00. ColoTrust is an external investment pool that records its investments at fair value. The School records its investment in ColoTrust using the net asset value method. ColoTrust is rated AAAM by Standard and Poor's. There are no unfunded commitments, the redemption frequency is daily, and there is no redemption notice period.

**Restricted Cash and Investments**

Cash and Investments in the amount of \$6,326,210 are restricted in the Internal Service Fund for debt service and capital projects.

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**NOTE 4: CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital Asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2021, is summarized below:

	Balance 6/30/2020	Additions	Deletions	Balance 6/30/2021
<b>Governmental Activities</b>				
Capital Assets, Not Depreciated				
Construction in Progress	\$ 6,954,943	\$ 7,077,548	\$ 14,032,491	\$ -
Capital Asset, Being Depreciated				
Buildings	27,905,845	-	-	27,905,845
Building Improvements	-	14,032,491	-	14,032,491
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	27,905,845	14,032,491	-	41,938,336
Accumulated Depreciation				
Buildings	1,153,548	930,195	-	2,083,743
Building Improvements	-	69,862	-	69,862
Total Depreciation	1,153,548	1,000,057	-	2,153,605
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	26,752,297	13,032,434	-	39,784,731
Net Capital Assets	<u>\$ 33,707,240</u>	<u>\$ 20,109,982</u>	<u>\$ 14,032,491</u>	<u>\$ 39,784,731</u>

Depreciation has been charged to the Supporting Services program of the School.



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**NOTE 5: LONG-TERM DEBT**

The following is a summary of the School’s long-term debt transactions for the year ended June 30, 2021:

	Balance 6/30/2020	Additions	Payments	Balance 6/30/2021	Due In One Year
Series 2019 Charter					
School Refunding Bonds	\$17,930,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$17,930,000	\$ 300,000
Series 2020 Charter School					
Bonds	31,065,000	-	-	31,065,000	-
PPP Loan Payable	641,511	-	641,511	-	-
Net Pension Liability	4,639,383	2,886,831	-	7,526,214	-
Net OPEB Liability	227,976	45,049	-	273,025	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$54,503,870</b>	<b>\$ 2,931,880</b>	<b>\$ 641,511</b>	<b>\$56,794,239</b>	<b>\$ 300,000</b>

**Series 2019A and Series 2019B Charter School Revenue Bonds**

On April 12, 2019, the Public Finance Authority issued Charter School Revenue Bonds, Series 2019B and C in the amount of \$18,385,000. Proceeds of the bonds were used to finance the School’s facility and to make capital improvements. The School is required to make lease payments to the Corporation for the use of the building and the Corporation is required to make equal payments to the Trustee, for payment of the bonds.

The bonds carry an interest rate of 4.75% and 7.00%, respectively. Annual interest payments are due starting on June 25, 2020. Annual principal payments are due beginning on June 25, 2022 through 2029. A final balloon payment in the amount of the then outstanding principal balance and accrued interest is due in July, 2029.

The bonds are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest thereon to the redemption rate. The Corporation is required to deposit funds into the bond principal fund and bond interest fund sufficient to redeem the principal and interest amounts when due.

The bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the Corporation, in whole or in part, on any date in authorized denominations, upon payment of the principal thereof, plus any accrued interest to the redemption date at the following redemption prices: For redemption dates beginning July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, at 101% and for redemption dates beginning July 1, 2023, through the maturity date at 100%.

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June 30, 2021

**NOTE 5: LONG-TERM DEBT** (Continued)

**Series 2020A and Series 2020B Charter School Revenue Bonds**

In January 2020, the Public Finance Authority issued \$31,065,000 Charter School Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2020A and 2020B. Proceeds from the bonds were used to purchase school facilities and to provide funding for capital improvements to existing facilities. The School is required to make lease payments to the Corporation for the use of their buildings and the Corporation is required to make equal lease payments to the Trustee, for payment of the bonds. Interest for the Series 2020A and 2020B Bonds accrue at a rate of 4.65% and 6.50% per year, respectively. The bonds mature in July 2029.

Future debt service requirements on the bonds are as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2022	\$ 300,000	\$ 1,551,600	\$ 1,851,600
2023	400,000	2,321,555	2,721,555
2024	555,000	2,300,438	2,855,438
2025	785,000	2,270,850	3,055,850
2026	820,000	2,233,298	3,053,298
2027-2030	<u>46,135,000</u>	<u>6,015,075</u>	<u>52,150,075</u>
Total	<u>\$48,995,000</u>	<u>\$16,692,816</u>	<u>\$65,687,816</u>

**PPP Loan Payable**

On April 15, 2020, the School received a loan in the amount of \$641,511 through the Small Business Administration’s Paycheck Protection Program under Division A, Title I of the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act (the “CARES Act”).

On June 9, 2021, the School was notified by the Small Business Administration that the loan principal balance of \$641,511 and accrued interest in the amount of \$7,055 has been fully forgiven. The amount of the loan forgiveness is reported as a special item in the School’s statement of activities.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2021

**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN**

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Pensions.* The School participates in the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado ("PERA"). The net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the FNP of the SCHDTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

The Colorado General Assembly passed significant pension reform through Senate Bill (SB) 18-200: *Concerning Modifications To the Public Employees' Retirement Association Hybrid Defined Benefit Plan Necessary to Eliminate with a High Probability the Unfunded Liability of the Plan Within the Next Thirty Years*. The bill was signed into law by Governor Hickenlooper on June 4, 2018. SB 18-200 made changes to certain benefit provisions. Most of these changes were in effect as of June 30, 2021.

**General Information about the Pension Plan**

*Plan description.* Eligible employees of the School are provided with pensions through the SCHDTF—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by PERA. Plan benefits are specified in Title 24, Article 51 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), administrative rules set forth at 8 C.C.R. 1502-1, and applicable provisions of the federal Internal Revenue Code. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (Annual Report) that can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

*Benefits provided as of December 31, 2020.* PERA provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined by the amount of service credit earned and/or purchased, highest average salary, the benefit structure(s) under which the member retires, the benefit option selected at retirement, and age at retirement. Retirement eligibility is specified in tables set forth at C.R.S. § 24-51-602, 604, 1713, and 1714.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the PERA benefit structure is the greater of the:

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June 30, 2021

**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

**General Information about the Pension Plan (Continued)**

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5 percent and then multiplied by years of service credit.
- The value of the retiring employee's member contribution account plus a 100 percent match on eligible amounts as of the retirement date. This amount is then annuitized into a monthly benefit based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the Denver Public Schools (DPS) benefit structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5 percent and then multiplied by years of service credit.
- \$15 times the first 10 years of service credit plus \$20 times service credit over 10 years plus a monthly amount equal to the annuitized member contribution account balance based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

In all cases the service retirement benefit is limited to 100 percent of highest average salary and also cannot exceed the maximum benefit allowed by federal Internal Revenue Code.

Members may elect to withdraw their member contribution accounts upon termination of employment with all PERA employers; waiving rights to any lifetime retirement benefits earned. If eligible, the member may receive a match of either 50 percent or 100 percent on eligible amounts depending on when contributions were remitted to PERA, the date employment was terminated, whether 5 years of service credit has been obtained and the benefit structure under which contributions were made.

As of December 31, 2020, benefit recipients who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit are generally eligible to receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments, referred to as annual increases in the C.R.S., once certain criteria are met. Pursuant to SB 18-200, eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership before January 1, 2007, and all eligible benefit recipients of the DPS benefit structure will receive an annual increase of 1.25 percent unless adjusted by the automatic adjustment provision (AAP) pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-51-413.

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

**General Information about the Pension Plan (Continued)**

Eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership on or after January 1, 2007, will receive the lesser of an annual increase of 1.25 percent or the average of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for the prior calendar year, not to exceed 10 percent of PERA’s Annual Increase Reserve (AIR) for the SCHDTF. The AAP may raise or lower the aforementioned annual increase by up to 0.25 percent based on the parameters specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-413.

Disability benefits are available for eligible employees once they reach five years of earned service credit and are determined to meet the definition of disability. The disability benefit amount is based on the lifetime retirement benefit formula(s) shown above considering a minimum 20 years of service credit, if deemed disabled.

Survivor benefits are determined by several factors, which include the amount of earned service credit, highest average salary of the deceased, the benefit structure(s) under which service credit was obtained, and the qualified survivor(s) who will receive the benefits.

*Contributions provisions as of June 30, 2021:* Eligible employees of the School and the State are required to contribute to the SCHDTF at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements for the SCHDTF are established under C.R.S. § 24-51-401, *et seq.* and § 24-51-413. Eligible employees are required to contribute 10.00 percent of their PERA-includable salary during the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Employer contribution requirements are summarized in the table below:

	July 1, 2020 Through June 30, 2021
Employer contribution rate	10.90%
Amount of employer contribution apportioned to the Health Care Trust Fund as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-208(1)(f)	(1.02)%
Amount apportioned to the SCHDTF	9.88%
Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	4.50%
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	5.50%
<b>Total employer contribution rate to the SCHDTF</b>	<b>19.88%</b>

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June 30, 2021

**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

**General Information about the Pension Plan (Continued)**

\*\*Contribution rates for the SCHDTF are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42).

As specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-414, the State is required to contribute \$225 million (actual dollars) each year to PERA starting on July 1, 2018. A portion of the direct distribution payment is allocated to the SCHDTF based on the proportionate amount of annual payroll of the SCHDTF to the total annual payroll of the SCHDTF, State Division Trust Fund, Judicial Division Trust Fund, and Denver Public Schools Division Trust Fund. House Bill (HB) 20-1379 suspended the \$225 million (actual dollars) direct distribution payable on July 1, 2020, for the State's 2020-21 fiscal year.

Employer contributions are recognized by the SCHDTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the School is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the SCHDTF. Employer contributions recognized by the SCHDTF from the School were \$641,487 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

The net pension liability for the SCHDTF was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2020. The School's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School's contributions to the SCHDTF for the calendar year 2020 relative to the total contributions of participating employers and the State as a nonemployer contributing entity.

Due to the aforementioned suspension of the July 1, 2020, direct distribution payment, the nonemployer contributing entity's proportion is zero percent. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-51-414, the direct distribution payment from the State of Colorado is to recommence annually starting on July 1, 2021. For purposes of GASB 68 paragraph 15, a circumstance exists in which a nonemployer contributing entity is legally responsible for making contributions to the SCHDTF and is considered to meet the definition of a special funding situation.

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)**

At June 30, 2021, the School reported a liability of \$7,526,214 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The amount recognized by the School as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the School were as follows:

School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$7,526,214
The State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a nonemployer contributing entity associated with the School	\$-0-
Total	\$7,526,214

At December 31, 2020, the School's proportion was 0.0498 percent, which was an increase of 0.0019 percent from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the School recognized pension expense of \$262,983 and revenue of \$-0- for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. At June 30, 2021, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$413,528	N/A
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	\$723,998	\$1,265,093
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	N/A	\$1,656,691
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	\$3,250,622	\$10,228
Contributions subsequent to the measurement	\$335,039	N/A
Total	\$4,723,187	\$2,932,012

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**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)**

\$335,039 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2022	\$37,333
2023	\$1,368,054
2024	\$312,102
2025	(\$261,354)

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total pension liability in the December 31, 2019, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.40%
Real wage growth	1.10%
Wage inflation	3.50%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.50%–9.70%
Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07 and DPS benefit structure (compounded annually)	1.25%
PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06 <sup>1</sup>	Financed by the AIR

<sup>1</sup> Post-retirement benefit increases are provided by the AIR, accounted separately within each Division Trust Fund, and subject to moneys being available; therefore, liabilities related to increases for members of these benefit tiers can never exceed available assets.



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**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)**

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 93 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 113 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.
- **Females:** Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 68 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 106 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

The mortality assumption for disabled retirees was based on 90 percent of the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019, valuation were based on the results of the 2016 experience analysis for the periods January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2015, as well as, the October 28, 2016, actuarial assumptions workshop and were adopted by PERA's Board during the November 18, 2016, Board meeting.

Based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019, revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on November 20, 2020, and were effective as of December 31, 2020. The assumptions shown below were reflected in the roll forward calculation of the total pension liability from December 31, 2019, to December 31, 2020.

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)**

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.30%
Real wage growth	0.70%
Wage inflation	3.00%
Salary increases, including wage inflation:	3.40%-11.00%
Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07 and DPS benefit structure (compounded annually)	1.25%
PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06 <sup>1</sup>	Financed by the AIR

<sup>1</sup> Post-retirement benefit increases are provided by the AIR, accounted separately within each Division Trust Fund, and subject to moneys being available; therefore, liabilities related to increases for members of these benefit tiers can never exceed available assets.

Salary scale assumptions were revised to align with revised economic assumptions and to more closely reflect actual experience.

Rates of termination/withdrawal, retirement, and disability were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.

The pre-retirement mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 112 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 94 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 83 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 106 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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**NOTE 6:** **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions** (Continued)

Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were based upon the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 97 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 105 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99 percent of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The mortality tables described above are generational mortality tables on a benefit-weighted basis.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every four to five years for PERA. Recently this assumption has been reviewed more frequently. The most recent analyses were outlined in the Experience Study report dated October 28, 2020. As a result of the November 20, 2020, PERA Board meeting, the following economic assumptions were changed, effective December 31, 2020:

- Price inflation assumption decreased from 2.40 percent per year to 2.30 percent per year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.85 percent per year, net of investment expenses to 4.95 percent per year, net of investment expenses.
- Wage inflation assumption decreased from 3.50 percent per year to 3.00 percent per year.

Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages and then adding expected inflation.

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)**

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25 percent long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the Board's November 15, 2019, meeting, to be effective January 1, 2020. As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return</b>
Global Equity	54.00%	5.60%
Fixed Income	23.00%	1.30%
Private Equity	8.50%	7.10%
Real Estate	8.50%	4.40%
Alternatives <sup>1</sup>	6.00%	4.70%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	

<sup>1</sup>The Opportunity Fund's name changed to Alternatives, effective January 1, 2020.

In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected nominal rate of return assumption of 7.25 percent.

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00 percent.

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**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)**

- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the member contribution rates in effect for each year, including the scheduled increases in SB 18-200. Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law for each year, including the scheduled increase in SB 18-200. Employer contributions also include current and estimated future AED and SAED, until the actuarial value funding ratio reaches 103 percent, at which point the AED and SAED will each drop 0.50 percent every year until they are zero. Additionally, estimated employer contributions reflect reductions for the funding of the AIR and retiree health care benefits. For future plan members, employer contributions were further reduced by the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members not financed by their member contributions.
- As specified in law, the State, as a nonemployer contributing entity, will provide an annual direct distribution of \$225 million (actual dollars), commencing July 1, 2018, that is proportioned between the State, School, Judicial, and DPS Division Trust Funds based upon the covered payroll of each Division. The annual direct distribution ceases when all Division Trust Funds are fully funded. HB 20-1379 suspended the \$225 million (actual dollars) direct distribution payable on July 1, 2020, for the State's 2020-21 fiscal year.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- The AIR balance was excluded from the initial FNP, as, per statute, AIR amounts cannot be used to pay benefits until transferred to either the retirement benefits reserve or the survivor benefits reserve, as appropriate. AIR transfers to the FNP position and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the SCHDTF's FNP was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members.

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**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)**

Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date.

*Sensitivity of the School’s proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$10,266,372	\$7,526,214	\$5,242,759

*Pension plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about the SCHDTF’s FNP is available in PERA’s Annual Report which can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

**NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN**

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*OPEB.* The School participates The School in the Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB fund administered by the Public Employees’ Retirement Association of Colorado (“PERA”). The net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the FNP of the HCTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefits paid on behalf of health care participants are recognized when due and/or payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

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**NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN** (Continued)

**General Information about the OPEB Plan** (Continued)

*Plan description.* Eligible employees of the School are provided with OPEB through the HCTF—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by PERA. The HCTF is established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), as amended. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the C.R.S., as amended, sets forth a framework that grants authority to the PERA Board to contract, self-insure, and authorize disbursements necessary in order to carry out the purposes of the PERACare program, including the administration of the premium subsidies. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (Annual Report) that can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

*Benefits provided.* The HCTF provides a health care premium subsidy to eligible participating PERA benefit recipients and retirees who choose to enroll in one of the PERA health care plans, however, the subsidy is not available if only enrolled in the dental and/or vision plan(s). The health care premium subsidy is based upon the benefit structure under which the member retires and the member's years of service credit. For members who retire having service credit with employers in the Denver Public Schools (DPS) Division and one or more of the other four Divisions (State, School, Local Government and Judicial), the premium subsidy is allocated between the HCTF and the Denver Public Schools Health Care Trust Fund (DPS HCTF). The basis for the amount of the premium subsidy funded by each trust fund is the percentage of the member contribution account balance from each division as it relates to the total member contribution account balance from which the retirement benefit is paid.

C.R.S. § 24-51-1202 et seq. specifies the eligibility for enrollment in the health care plans offered by PERA and the amount of the premium subsidy. The law governing a benefit recipient's eligibility for the subsidy and the amount of the subsidy differs slightly depending under which benefit structure the benefits are calculated. All benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure and all retirees under the DPS benefit structure are eligible for a premium subsidy, if enrolled in a health care plan under PERACare. Upon the death of a DPS benefit structure retiree, no further subsidy is paid.

Enrollment in the PERACare is voluntary and is available to benefit recipients and their eligible dependents, certain surviving spouses, and divorced spouses and guardians, among others.

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**NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN** (Continued)

**General Information about the OPEB Plan** (Continued)

Eligible benefit recipients may enroll into the program upon retirement, upon the occurrence of certain life events, or on an annual basis during an open enrollment period.

*PERA Benefit Structure*

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for benefit recipients who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum service-based subsidy, in each case, is for benefit recipients with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit.

There is a 5 percent reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The benefit recipient pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

For benefit recipients who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, C.R.S. § 24-51-1206(4) provides an additional subsidy. According to the statute, PERA cannot charge premiums to benefit recipients without Medicare Part A that are greater than premiums charged to benefit recipients with Part A for the same plan option, coverage level, and service credit. Currently, for each individual PERACare enrollee, the total premium for Medicare coverage is determined assuming plan participants have both Medicare Part A and Part B and the difference in premium cost is paid by the HCTF or the DPS HCTF on behalf of benefit recipients not covered by Medicare Part A.

*DPS Benefit Structure*

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for retirees who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for retirees who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum subsidy, in each case, is for retirees with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5 percent reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The retiree pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.



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**General Information about the OPEB Plan** (Continued)

For retirees who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, the HCTF or the DPS HCTF pays an alternate service-based premium subsidy. Each individual retiree meeting these conditions receives the maximum \$230 per month subsidy reduced appropriately for service less than 20 years, as described above. Retirees who do not have Medicare Part A pay the difference between the total premium and the monthly subsidy.

*Contributions.* Pursuant to Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1) (f) of the C.R.S., as amended, certain contributions are apportioned to the HCTF. PERA-affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions are required to contribute at a rate of 1.02 percent of PERA-includable salary into the HCTF.

Employer contributions are recognized by the HCTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the School is statutorily committed to pay the contributions. Employer contributions recognized by the HCTF from the School were \$32,908 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB**

At June 30, 2021, the School reported a liability of \$273,025 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability for the HCTF was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the total OPEB liability to December 31, 2020. The School's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the School's contributions to the HCTF for the calendar year 2020 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the HCTF.

At December 31, 2020, the proportion was 0.0287 percent, which was an increase of 0.0085% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the School recognized OPEB expense of (\$34,657). At June 30, 2021, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

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**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$725	\$60,024
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	\$2,040	\$16,742
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	N/A	\$11,156
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	\$137,108	N/A
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$17,185	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$157,058</b>	<b>\$87,922</b>

\$17,185 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

<b>Year ended June 30:</b>	
2022	\$11,623
2023	\$13,184
2024	\$11,135
2025	\$3,788
2026	\$11,395
2027	\$826

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**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2019, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.40%
Real wage growth	1.10%
Wage inflation	3.50%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.50% in aggregate
Long-term investment rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Health care cost trend rates	
PERA benefit structure:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00%
PERACare Medicare plans	8.10% in 2020, gradually decreasing to 4.50% in 2029
Medicare Part A premiums	3.50% in 2020, gradually increasing to 4.50% in 2029
DPS benefit structure:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00%
PERACare Medicare plans	N/A
Medicare Part A premiums	N/A

In determining the additional liability for PERACare enrollees who are age 65 or older and who are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A in the December 31, 2019, valuation, the following monthly costs/premiums (actual dollars) are assumed for 2020 for the PERA Benefit Structure:

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**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

Medicare Plan	Initial Costs for Members without Medicare Part A		Monthly Cost Adjusted
	Monthly Cost	Monthly Premium	
Medicare Advantage/Self-Insured Kaiser Permanente	\$588	\$227	\$550
Medicare Advantage	\$621	\$232	\$586

The 2020 Medicare Part A premium is \$458 (actual dollars) per month.

All costs are subject to the health care cost trend rates, as discussed below.

Health care cost trend rates reflect the change in per capita health costs over time due to factors such as medical inflation, utilization, plan design, and technology improvements. For the PERA benefit structure, health care cost trend rates are needed to project the future costs associated with providing benefits to those PERACare enrollees not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A.

Health care cost trend rates for the PERA benefit structure are based on published annual health care inflation surveys in conjunction with actual plan experience (if credible), building block models and industry methods developed by health plan actuaries and administrators. In addition, projected trends for the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund (Medicare Part A premiums) provided by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services are referenced in the development of these rates. Effective December 31, 2019, the health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

The PERA benefit structure health care cost trend rates used to measure the total OPEB liability are summarized in the table below:

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**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

Year	PERACare Medicare	Medicare Part A
2020	8.10%	3.50%
2021	6.40%	3.75%
2022	6.00%	3.75%
2023	5.70%	3.75%
2024	5.50%	4.00%
2025	5.30%	4.00%
2026	5.10%	4.00%
2027	4.90%	4.25%
2028	4.70%	4.25%
2029+	4.50%	4.50%

Mortality assumptions used in the December 31, 2019, valuation for the determination of the total pension liability for each of the Division Trust Funds as shown below were applied, as applicable, in the determination of the total OPEB liability for the HCTF. Affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions participate in the HCTF.

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the State and Local Government Divisions were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 73 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 108 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

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**NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN** (Continued)

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

- **Females:** Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 78 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 109 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the School and Judicial Divisions were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 93 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 113 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.
- **Females:** Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 68 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 106 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

The mortality assumption for disabled retirees was based on 90 percent of the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019, valuation were based on the results of the 2016 experience analysis for the period January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2015, as well as the October 28, 2016, actuarial assumptions workshop and were adopted by PERA's Board during the November 18, 2016, Board meeting.

Based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, and November 4, 2020, for the period of January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019, revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on November 20, 2020, and were effective as of December 31, 2020. The assumptions shown below were reflected in the roll forward calculation of the total OPEB liability from December 31, 2019, to December 31, 2020.

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**NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN** (Continued)

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

	<b>Trust Fund</b>			
	<b>State Division</b>	<b>School Division</b>	<b>Local Government Division</b>	<b>Judicial Division</b>
Actuarial cost method	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age
Price inflation	2.30%	2.30%	2.30%	2.30%
Real wage growth	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%
Wage inflation	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%
Salary increases, including wage inflation:				
Members other than State Troopers	3.30%-10.90%	3.40%-11.00%	3.20%-11.30%	2.80%-5.30%
State Troopers	3.20%-12.40%	N/A	3.20%-12.40% <sup>1</sup>	N/A

<sup>1</sup> C.R.S. § 24-51-101 (46), as amended, expanded the definition of “State Troopers” to include certain employees within the Local Government Division, effective January 1, 2020. See Note 4 of the Notes to the Financial Statements in PERA’s 2020 Annual Report for more information.

The long-term rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation and discount rate assumptions were 7.25 percent.

Rates of termination/withdrawal, retirement, and disability were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.

Mortality assumptions used in the roll forward calculations for the determination of the total pension liability for each of the Division Trust Funds as shown below were applied, as applicable, in the roll forward calculation for the HCTF, using a headcount-weighted basis.

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the State and Local Government Divisions (Members other than State Troopers) were based upon the PubG-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for State Troopers were based upon the PubS-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the School Division were based upon the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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**NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN** (Continued)

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the Judicial Division were based upon the PubG-2010(A) Above-Median Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the State and Local Government Divisions (Members other than State Troopers) were based upon the PubG-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 94 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 90 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 87 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 107 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for State Troopers were based upon the unadjusted PubS-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the School Division were based upon the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 112 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 94 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 83 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 106 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the Judicial Division were based upon the unadjusted PubG-2010(A) Above-Median Healthy Retiree Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were based upon the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:



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**NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN** (Continued)

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

- **Males:** 97 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 105 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions for Members other than State Troopers were based upon the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99 percent of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions for State Troopers were based upon the unadjusted PubS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The mortality tables described above are generational mortality tables on a head-count weighted basis.

The following health care costs assumptions were updated and used in the roll forward calculation for the HCTF:

- Initial per capita health care costs for those PERACare enrollees under the PERA benefit structure who are expected to attain age 65 and older ages and are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A benefits were updated to reflect the change in costs for the 2020 plan year.
- The health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the then-current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

Actuarial assumptions pertaining to per capita health care costs and their related trend rates are analyzed and updated annually by the Board's actuary, as discussed above.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every four to five years for PERA. Recently this assumption has been reviewed more frequently. The most recent analyses were outlined in the Experience Study report dated October 28, 2020. As a result of the November 20, 2020, PERA Board meeting, the following economic assumptions were changed, effective December 31, 2020:

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**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

- Price inflation assumption decreased from 2.40 percent per year to 2.30 percent per year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.85 percent per year, net of investment expenses to 4.95 percent per year, net of investment expenses.
- Wage inflation assumption decreased from 3.50 percent per year to 3.00 percent per year.

Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages and then adding expected inflation.

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25 percent long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the Board's November 15, 2019, meeting, to be effective January 1, 2020. As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return</b>
Global Equity	54.00%	5.60%
Fixed Income	23.00%	1.30%
Private Equity	8.50%	7.10%
Real Estate	8.50%	4.40%
Alternatives <sup>1</sup>	6.00%	4.70%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	

<sup>1</sup>The Opportunity Fund's name changed to Alternatives, effective January 1, 2020.

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**NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN** (Continued)

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected nominal rate of return assumption of 7.25 percent.

*Sensitivity of the School’s proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates.* The following presents the net OPEB liability using the current health care cost trend rates applicable to the PERA benefit structure, as well as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates:

	1% Decrease in Trend Rates	Current Trend Rates	1% Increase in Trend Rates
Initial PERACare	7.10%	8.10%	9.10%
Ultimate PERACare	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Initial Medicare Part	2.50%	3.50%	4.50%
Ultimate Medicare	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Net OPEB Liability	\$265,968	\$273,025	\$281,240

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Updated health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums as of the December 31, 2020, measurement date.
- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00 percent.

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**NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN** (Continued)

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** (Continued)

- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law and effective as of the measurement date.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- Estimated transfers of dollars into the HCTF representing a portion of purchase service agreements intended to cover the costs associated with OPEB benefits.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the HCTF’s FNP was projected to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent.

*Sensitivity of the School’s proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$312,755	\$273,025	\$239,079

*OPEB plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about the HCTF’s fiduciary net position is available in PERA’s Annual Report which can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

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**NOTE 8: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Colorado Early Colleges Network Schools (“CEC Network”) included the following locations:

CEC Aurora  
CEC Colorado Springs  
CEC Douglas County  
CEC Fort Collins  
CEC Fort Collins West  
CEC Windsor

Each school has budgeted and paid network fees and other costs to the Network based on a percentage of each school’s per pupil funding. For the year ended June 30, 2021, the School paid fees in the amount of \$1,311,232 to the Network.

In addition, the Network provides general facility support to each school within the Network. For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Network paid \$1,545,937 to the School for general and facility support.

**NOTE 9: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

**Claims and Judgments**

The School participates in a number of federal and state programs that are fully or partially funded by grants received from other governmental units. Expenditures financed by grants are subject to audit by the appropriate grantor government. If expenditures are disallowed due to noncompliance with grant program regulations, the School may be required to reimburse the grantor government. As of June 30, 2021, significant amounts of grant expenditures have not been audited but the School believes that disallowed expenditures, if any, based on subsequent audits will not have a material effect on the overall financial position of the School.

**Tabor Amendment**

In November 1992, Colorado voters passed an amendment to the State Constitution, Article X, Section 20 (the “Tabor Amendment”), which has several limitations, including revenue raising, spending abilities, and other specific requirements of state and local government.

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**NOTE 9:** **COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES** (Continued)

**Tabor Amendment** (Continued)

The Tabor Amendment is complex and subject to judicial interpretations. The School believes it has complied with the Amendment.

The School has established a reserve, representing 3% of qualifying expenditures, as required by the Amendment. At June 30, 2021, the emergency reserve of \$313,146 was reported as a restriction of net position and fund balance in the Governmental Activities and General Fund, respectively.

**NOTE 10:** **DEFICIT NET POSITION**

At June 30, 2021, the net position of the governmental activities is in a deficit position in the amount of \$7,506,736 due to the School including its Net Pension and Net OPEB liabilities per requirements of GASB No. 68 and No.75.

At June 30, 2021, the net position of the Internal Service Fund is in a deficit position in the amount of \$4,367,306. The deficit is a result of the capital assets depreciating faster than the principal balance of the related debt is paid. Management expects this deficit to be eliminated once the School makes annual principal payments on its debt.

**NOTE 11:** **SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

As a result of the coronavirus pandemic, economic uncertainties may continue to have a significant impact on the financial position, results of operations, and cashflows of the School. The duration of these uncertainties and the ultimate financial effects cannot be estimated at this time.

**NOTE 12:** **RESTATEMENT OF BEGINNING BALANCES**

ACS Corporation had a site lease with Douglas County School District RE-1 for property at 3565 Celestial Avenue, Castle Rock (the "Property"), with an effective date of June 1, 2017. Effective January 14, 2020, ACS Corporation assigned the site lease to the Corporation. The term of the site lease remains in effect until June 1, 2067, and there is a possibility for the Site Lease to be extended.

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**NOTE 12: RESTATEMENT OF BEGINNING BALANCES (Continued)**

ACS Corporation entered into a Loan Agreement (“2017 Loan”) dated as of July 1, 2017. The 2017 Loan paid for the development and construction of the facilities located on the Property. The amount of the 2017 Loan was \$11,910,000.

Effective January 14, 2020, ACS Corporation assigned the Site Lease to the Corporation. In exchange for this assignment, the Corporation paid off the balance on the 2017 Loan of \$11,713,178, through the Series 2020 Charter School Revenue Bonds (See Note 5). This site lease and facilities acquisition was erroneously expensed in the year ended June 30, 2020.

As of January 1, 2020, the School entered into the Third Amendment with the Corporation, which added the Property to Lease Agreement No. 3, dated as of April 1, 2019 (as amended).

The beginning net position balance of the internal service fund was increased by the following amounts to correct the above and other reporting errors in prior years:

<u>Reason for Prior Period Adjustment</u>	<u>Total</u>
Site Lease and Facilities acquisition in Castle Rock omitted from Capital Assets at June 30, 2020	\$11,173,178
Acquisition cost of Inverness Building understated at June 30, 2020	556,284
Construction in progress understated at June 30, 2020	219,264
Amount Payable to CEC-Aurora omitted from liabilities at June 30, 2020	(310,604)
Bond payable overstated at June 30, 2020	455,000
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Total	<u>\$12,093,122</u>

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**



COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
 GENERAL FUND  
 Year Ended June 30, 2021

	ORIGINAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE Positive (Negative)
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Local Sources				
Per Pupil Revenue	\$ 6,159,595	\$ 6,062,698	\$ 6,460,123	\$ 397,425
Mill Levy Override	247,284	245,211	245,208	(3)
Charges for Services	1,145,000	1,623,210	1,234,481	(388,729)
CEC Network Support	848,422	1,819,093	1,648,244	(170,849)
Other	-	2,788,182	23,793	(2,764,389)
State Sources				
Capital Construction	181,829	250,822	250,824	2
Grants and Donations	135,518	38,569	64,057	25,488
Federal Sources				
Grants and Donations	285,409	419,472	471,822	52,350
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>9,003,057</b>	<b>13,247,257</b>	<b>10,398,552</b>	<b>(2,848,705)</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Salaries	2,666,444	3,518,582	3,494,077	24,505
Employee Benefits	783,950	968,044	951,729	16,315
Purchased Services	4,717,926	5,026,144	5,030,984	(4,840)
Supplies and Materials	600,049	535,506	376,360	159,146
Property	90,851	2,928,898	147,408	2,781,490
Other	60,851	60,627	64,861	(4,234)
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>8,920,071</b>	<b>13,037,801</b>	<b>10,065,419</b>	<b>2,972,382</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>82,986</b>	<b>209,456</b>	<b>333,133</b>	<b>123,677</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, Beginning</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,466,365</b>	<b>2,466,365</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, Ending</b>	<b>\$ 82,986</b>	<b>\$ 2,675,821</b>	<b>\$ 2,799,498</b>	<b>\$ 123,677</b>

See the accompanying independent auditor's report.

COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY  
PERA SCHOOL DIVISION TRUST FUND PLAN

	Years Ended December 31,						
	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	0.04978%	0.03105%	0.02858%	0.02880%	0.02500%	0.01940%	0.04600%
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$7,526,214	\$4,639,383	\$5,060,018	\$9,320,544	\$7,450,558	\$2,971,629	\$1,984,591
State of Colorado Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	-	588,447	691,887	-	-	-	-
Total Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	7,526,214	5,227,830	5,751,905	9,320,544	7,450,558	2,971,629	1,984,591
Covered payroll	\$2,657,044	\$1,823,728	\$1,572,886	\$1,329,601	\$1,123,114	\$846,740	\$306,715
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	283.3%	254.4%	321.7%	701.0%	663.4%	350.9%	647.0%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	66.99%	64.52%	57.01%	43.96%	30.91%	17.86%	4.81%

NOTE: Information for the prior three years was not available for this report.

See the accompanying independent auditor's report.

COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY  
 SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S CONTRIBUTIONS  
 PERA SCHOOL DIVISION TRUST FUND PLAN

Years Ended June 30,

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually Required Contributions	\$ 641,487	\$ 407,183	\$ 321,036	\$ 264,089	\$ 228,798	\$ 190,488	\$ 118,895
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	641,487	407,183	321,036	264,089	228,798	190,488	118,895
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Covered payroll	\$3,226,323	\$ 2,101,043	\$1,678,176	\$1,398,354	\$1,244,155	\$1,015,178	\$662,964
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	19.88%	19.38%	19.13%	18.89%	18.39%	18.76%	17.93%

NOTE: Information for the prior three years was not available for this report.

See the accompanying independent auditor's report.

COLORADO EARLY COLLEGES - DOUGLAS COUNTY

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY  
PERA HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND PLAN

Years Ended December 31,

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset)	0.02873%	0.02030%	0.01850%	0.01640%	0.01420%
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset)	\$ 273,025	\$ 227,976	\$ 252,763	\$ 212,842	\$ 184,417
Covered payroll	\$2,657,044	\$1,823,728	\$1,572,886	\$1,329,601	\$1,123,114
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	10.3%	12.5%	16.1%	16.0%	16.4%
Plan Fiduciary Net position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	32.78%	24.49%	17.03%	17.53%	16.71%

NOTE: Information for the prior five years was not available for this report.

See the accompanying independent auditor's report.

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SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S CONTRIBUTIONS  
PERA HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND PLAN

Years Ended June 30,

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Contractually Required Contributions	\$ 32,908	\$ 21,431	\$ 17,117	\$ 14,263	\$ 12,690
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	32,908	21,431	17,117	14,263	12,690
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Covered payroll	\$3,226,323	\$2,101,043	\$1,398,354	\$1,398,354	\$1,244,155
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	1.02%	1.02%	1.22%	1.02%	1.02%

NOTE: Information for the prior five years was not available for this report.

See the accompanying independent auditor's report.