

Financial Statements, Additional Information, and Federal Awards Supplemental Information as of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2018, and 2017, and Independent Auditor's Reports



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Trustees
Buffalo United Charter School

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Buffalo United Charter School (the "School"), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2018 and 2017 and the related statements of activities and change in net assets and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Buffalo United Charter School as of June 30, 2018 and 2017 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



To the Board of Trustees
Buffalo United Charter School

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise Buffalo United Charter School's financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as identified in the table of contents and as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (the "Uniform Guidance"), and supplemental schedule of functional expenses, as identified in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

The supplemental schedule of functional expenses has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 23, 2018 on our consideration of Buffalo United Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Buffalo United Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Plante Moran, PC

October 23, 2018

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

	2018		2017
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS:	\$ 160	,797 \$	139,980
Due from governmental revenue sources	•	,859 <u> </u>	715,185
Total current assets	490	,656	855,165
NON-CURRENT ASSETS:			
Capital assets		,734	15,336
Less accumulated depreciation	(4	,692)	(4,659)
Total capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	7	,042	10,677
TOTAL	\$ 497	,698 \$	865,842
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			
LIABILITIES:			
Deferred revenue	•	,212 \$	10,940
Contracted service fee payable	395	,361	779,788
Total liabilities	414	,573	790,728
NET ASSETS:			
Unrestricted and undesignated	83	,125	75,114
TOTAL	\$ 497	,698 \$	865,842

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGE IN NET ASSETS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT:	2018	2017
State aid	\$ 8,156,421	\$ 8,019,800
Other state sources	411,127	646,156
Federal sources	876,056	823,491
Private sources	 42,276	 30,266
Total revenues, gains and other support	9,485,880	9,519,713
EXPENSES:		
Contracted service fee	9,474,234	9,510,548
Depreciation	1,383	1,533
Loss on disposal of asset	2,252	
Total expenses	 9,477,869	 9,512,081
CHANGE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	8,011	7,632
NET ASSETS: Beginning of year	 75,114	67,482
End of year	\$ 83,125	\$ 75,114

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES		2018		2017
State aid Other state sources Federal sources Private sources Payments for services rendered	\$	8,508,026 425,722 910,777 34,953 (9,858,661)	\$	7,948,705 662,523 745,033 35,786 (9,382,976)
Net cash provided by operating activities		20,817		9,071
NET INCREASE IN CASH		20,817		9,071
CASH — Beginning of year		139,980		130,909
CASH — End of year	\$	160,797	<u>\$</u>	139,980
RECONCILIATION OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS TO NET CASH NEWS PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES Change in net assets	\$	8,011	¢	7,632
Depreciation Loss on disposal of asset	Ψ	1,383 2,252	φ	1,533
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities: Change in due from governmental revenue sources		385,326		(133,186)
Change in accounts payable Change in deferred revenue		- 8,272		(249) 5,520
Change in contracted service fee payable		(384,427)		127,821
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITES	\$	20,817	\$	9,071

See notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF AND FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Buffalo United Charter School (the "School") is a public charter school as defined by Article 56 of the New York State Education Law which provides education based on rigorous teaching methods, parental involvement, student responsibility, and basic moral values. The School operates under a charter approved by the State University of New York Charter School Institute, which is responsible for oversight of the School's operations. The charter expires June 30, 2021 and is subject to renewal. Management believes the charter will be renewed in the ordinary course of business. The School provides education, at no cost to the parent, to students in kindergarten through the eighth grade. Enrollment is open to all appropriately aged children without regard to gender, ethnic background, disability, and/or religious affiliation. The School is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3).

The School's primary source of revenue is provided by the State of New York and consists of an amount per student multiplied by weighted average student counts. The state revenue is recognized ratably over the school year and was funded through payments from July 2017 through May 2018 for the year ended June 30, 2018.

The Board of Trustees of the School has entered into a management agreement (the "agreement") with National Heritage Academies, Inc. (NHA) which requires NHA to provide administration, strategic planning and all labor, materials, equipment, and supervision necessary for the provision of educational services to students. As part of the consideration received under the agreement, NHA also provides the facility in which the School operates. The agreement will continue until termination or expiration of the charter, unless at least 90 days written notice of intent to terminate or renegotiate is given by either the School or NHA.

Under the terms of the agreement, NHA receives as remuneration for its services an amount equal to the total revenue received by the School from all revenue sources and NHA allocates to the School an amount equal to the lessor of two percent of state per pupil aid or \$35,000. These funds are property of the School and may be used by the School at the discretion of the board.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting — The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Section 2851 of the Education Law of the State of New York which requires such statements to be prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles accepted in the United States of America for not-for-profit organizations.

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

Cash — Cash as of June 30, 2018 and 2017 represents bank deposits which are covered by federal depository insurance.

Deferred Revenue — Deferred revenue as of June 30, 2018 and 2017 consists of funds received for services which have not yet been performed.

Contracted Service Fee Payable — Contracted service fee payable represents a timing difference between funds received from governmental sources and amounts payable to NHA in accordance with the services agreement.

Capital Assets — Capital assets, which include other equipment, are reported at historical cost. Capital assets are defined by the School as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$2,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year.

Other equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method over useful lives of 3-10 years.

The Financial Statements — The financial statements are presented as follows:

Net assets and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

 Unrestricted Net Assets — Net assets which are not subject to donor imposed or governmental stipulations.

Revenues and contributions are reported as follows:

- Revenues, gains and other support are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets
 unless use of the related assets is limited by donor-imposed or governmental
 restrictions. Expenses are reported as decreases in unrestricted net assets. Other
 assets or liabilities are reported as increases or decreases in unrestricted net assets
 unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulation or governmental restriction.
 Expiration of temporary restrictions on net assets (i.e., the donor-stipulated purposes
 has been fulfilled and/or the stipulated time has elapsed) are reported as
 reclassifications between the applicable classes of net assets.
- Revenue is recorded when earned, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.
 Grants are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Income Taxes — The School operates as a nonprofit organization that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The School has received notification from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that they are considered exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code.

Accordingly, no provision for federal income taxes has been made.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements — The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2016-14, *Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities* in August 2016. ASU 2016-14 requires significant changes to the financial reporting model of organizations who follow FASB not-for-profit rules, including changing from three classes of net assets to two classes, net assets with donor restrictions and net assets without donor restrictions. The ASU will also require changes in the way certain information is aggregated and reported by the School, including required disclosures about the liquidity and availability of resources. The new standard is effective for the School's year ending June 30, 2019 and thereafter and must be applied on a retrospective basis. The School believes the impact of this standard will not have a material effect on the financial statements.

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*, which will supersede the current revenue recognition requirements in Topic 605, Revenue Recognition. The ASU is based on the principle that revenue is recognized to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The ASU also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgements and changes in judgements and assets recognized from costs incurred to obtain or fulfill a contract. The new guidance will be effective for the School's year ending June 30, 2020. The ASU permits application of the new revenue recognition guidance to be applied using one of two retrospective application methods. The School has not yet determined which application method it will use. The School is in the process of evaluating potential effects of the new standard on the financial statements.

In February 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued ASU No. 2016-02, Leases, which will supersede the current lease requirements in ASC 840. The ASU requires lessees to recognize a right-of-use asset and related lease liability for all leases, with a limited exception for short-term leases. Leases will be classified as either finance or operating, with the classification affecting the pattern of expense recognition in the Statement of Activities and Change in Net Assets. Currently, leases are classified as either capital or operating, with only capital leases recognized on the balance sheet. The reporting of lease-related expenses in the Statements of Activities and Change in Net Assets and Cash Flows will be general consistent with the current guidance. The new lease guidance will be effective for the School's year ending June 30, 2020 and will be applied using a modified retrospective transition method to the beginning of the earliest period presented. The new lease standard is expected to have a significant effect on the School's financial statements as a result of the School's operating leases, as disclosed in Note 6. which will be reported on the balance sheet at adoption. Upon adoption, the School will recognize a lease liability and corresponding right-to-use asset based on the present value of the minimum lease payments. The effects on the results of operations are not expected to be significant as recognition and measurement of expenses and cash flows for leases will be substantially the same under the new standard.

3. RISK MANAGEMENT

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to general liability. Commercial insurance policies to cover certain risks of loss have been obtained. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage during fiscal year 2018 and 2017, and claims did not exceed coverage less retained risk deductible amounts in the past fiscal year.

4. CONTINGENCIES

The School has received proceeds from several federal and state grants. Periodic audits of these grants are required and certain costs may be questioned as not being appropriate expenditures under the grant agreements. Such audits could result in the refund of grant monies to the grantor agencies. Management believes that any required refunds will be immaterial. No provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the refund of grant monies.

5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity of the school was as follows:

Year ended June 30, 2018	Beginning Balance	Additions	<u>Disposals</u>	Ending <u>Balance</u>
Equipment	<u>\$ 15,336</u>	\$ -	\$ (3,602)	\$ 11,734
Less accumulated depreciation — equipment	4,659	1,383	(1,350)	4,692
Total capital asset activity, net	\$ 10,677	\$ (1,383)	\$ (2,252)	\$ 7,042
Year ended June 30, 2017	Beginning <u>Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Disposals</u>	Ending <u>Balance</u>
Year ended June 30, 2017 Equipment		Additions \$ -	Disposals \$ -	_
	<u>Balance</u>			<u>Balance</u>

6. OPERATING LEASE

The School has entered into a sublease agreement with NHA for a facility to house the School. The lease term is from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. Annual rental payments required by the lease were \$858,720 payable in twelve monthly payments of \$71,560. This lease is automatically renewed on a year-to-year basis unless a notice of non-renewal is provided by either the School or NHA.

The School subsequently renewed the sublease with NHA for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 at the same rental rate.

7. FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

The School provides a comprehensive education programs to enrolled students. Expenses incurred for these programs and other expenses are as follows:

		2018		2017
Program services: Regular education	\$	6,500,120	\$	5,983,512
Special education	Ψ	576,607	Ψ	491,765
Supporting services — management and general		2,397,507		3,035,271
Total contracted service fee		9,474,234	\$	9,510,548
Depreciation expense		1,383		1,533
Loss on disposal of asset		2,252		
Total Expenses	\$	9,477,869	\$	9,512,081

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Events or transactions for the year ended June 30, 2018 have been evaluated through October 23, 2018, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The financial statements and the notes thereto do not reflect events or transactions after this date.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 WITH COMPARATIVE INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

				2	2018				2017
		Program	Services		Su	porting Servi	ces		
No. of	Regular	Special	Other			Management			
Positions	Education	Education	Education	Total	Fund-raising	and General	Total	Total	
Personnel Services Costs									
Administrative Staff Personnel -	\$ 559,359		\$ -	\$ 559,359	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 559,359	\$ 518,987
Instructional Personnel -	2,408,999	306,552	-	2,715,551	-	-	-	2,715,551	2,269,590
Non-Instructional Personnel	31			31				31	125,558
Total Salaries and Staff -	2,968,389	306,552	-	3,274,941	-	-	-	3,274,941	2,914,135
Fringe Benefits & Payroll Taxes	756,346	86,877	-	843,223	-	-	-	843,223	721,137
Retirement	59,886	7,784	-	67,670	-	-	-	67,670	59,611
Legal Service	9,432	-	-	9,432	-	-	-	9,432	8,732
Accounting / Audit Services	11,600	-	-	11,600	-	289,491	289,491	301,091	385,906
Other Purchased / Professional / Consulting Services	41,902	172,543	-	214,445	-	787,256	787,256	1,001,701	1,224,257
Building and Land Rent / Lease	891,880	-	-	891,880	-	-	-	891,880	892,110
Repairs & Maintenance	304,216	-	-	304,216	-	20,779	20,779	324,995	295,118
Insurance	25,917	-	-	25,917	-	-	-	25,917	26,624
Utilities	81,514	-	-	81,514	-	-	-	81,514	73,646
Supplies / Materials	502,210	-	-	502,210	-	-	-	502,210	454,725
Equipment / Furnishings	141,573	829	-	142,402	-	-	-	142,402	99,845
Staff Development	98,021	1,107	-	99,128	-	82,993	82,993	182,121	215,878
Marketing / Recruitment	60,212	-	-	60,212	-	374,850	374,850	435,062	574,365
Technology	62,150	-	-	62,150	-	370,409	370,409	432,559	459,548
Food Service	386,039	-	-	386,039	-	-	-	386,039	391,973
Student Services	51,704	-	-	51,704	-	119,855	119,855	171,559	204,986
Office Expense	47,129	-	-	47,129	-	11,087	11,087	58,216	59,738
Depreciation	1,383	-	-	1,383	-	-	-	1,383	1,533
Other	-	915	-	915	-	340,787	340,787	341,702	448,214
Loss on abandonment of asset	2,252			2,252				2,252	
Total Expenses	\$ 6,503,755	\$ 576,607	\$ -	\$ 7,080,362	\$ -	\$ 2,397,507	\$ 2,397,507	\$ 9,477,869	\$ 9,512,081





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Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

Independent Auditor's Report

To Management and the Board of Trustees Buffalo United Charter School

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Buffalo United Charter School (the "School"), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2018 and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 23, 2018.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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



To Management and the Board of Trustees Buffalo United Charter School

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

Plante Moran, PC

October 23, 2018

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION



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Report on Compliance For Each Major Federal Program; Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Trustees
Buffalo United Charter School

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Buffalo United Charter School's (the "School") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2018. Buffalo United Charter School's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal program.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Buffalo United Charter School's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (the "Uniform Guidance"). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Buffalo United Charter School's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Buffalo United Charter School's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, Buffalo United Charter School complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2018.



To the Board of Trustees
Buffalo United Charter School

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of Buffalo United Charter School is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered Buffalo United Charter School's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control over compliance.

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

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

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

Plante Moran, PC

October 23, 2018

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Cuant/Duaiset	CFDA		Current Year Cash Transferred to
Program Title/Project Number/Subrecipient Name	Grant/Project Number	Number	Expenditures	Subrecipients
Program Title/Project Number/Subrecipient Name	Number	Number	Experiolitures	Subrecipients
Clusters:				
Child Nutrition Cluster - U.S. Department of Agriculture -				
Passed through the New York State Department of Education:				
National School Lunch Program 2017-18	181960	10.555	\$ 297,021	-
National School Breakfast Program 2017-18	181970	10.553	53,246	
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			350,267	-
Special Education Cluster - U.S. Department of Education -				
Passed through the Board of Education - City of Buffalo:				
IDEA Flowthrough 1718	N/A	84.027	88,140	-
IDEA Preschool Incentive 1718	180460	84.173	2,730	<u> </u>
Total Special Education Cluster			90,870	-
Other Federal Awards:				
U.S. Department of Education -				
Passed through the New York State Department of Education:				
Title I Part A:				
Title I Part A 1617	0021174231	84.010	40,891	_
Title I Part A 1718	0021184231	84.010	328,227	
Total Title I Part A		84.010	369,118	-
Title II Part A - Improving Teacher Quality:				
Title II Part A 1617	0147174231	84.367	2,385	_
Title II Part A 1718	0147184231	84.367	63,416	_
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Total Title II Part A		84.367	65,801	<u> </u>
Total noncluster programs passed through				
the New York State Department of Education			434,919	
Total Federal Awards			\$ 876,056	\$ -

Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards June 30, 2018

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal grant activity of Buffalo United Charter School (the "School") under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2018. The information in the Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (the "Uniform Guidance"). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the School, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the School.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported in the Schedule are reported on the same basis of accounting as the financial statements. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years. Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available.

The School has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate to recover indirect costs as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Note 3 - Grant Auditor Report

Management has utilized the Federal/State Grant Payments - End of Year Report as published by the New York State Education Department in preparing the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. Unreconciled differences, if any, have been disclosed to the auditor.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended June 30, 2018

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements					
Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified				
Internal control over financial reporting	g:				
Material weakness(es) identified	Yes	s <u>X</u>	_ No		
 Significant deficiency(ies) identified not considered to be material vertical. 	Yes	s <u>X</u>	_ None reported		
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?		Yes	s <u>X</u>	_ None reported	
Federal Awards					
Internal control over major programs:					
Material weakness(es) identified	?	Yes	s <u>X</u>	_ No	
 Significant deficiency(ies) identified not considered to be material value. 	Yes	s <u>X</u>	_ None reported		
Type of auditor's report issued on cor	mpliance for major programs:	Unmodified			
Any audit findings disclosed that are accordance with Section 2 CFR 2		Yes	s <u>X</u>	_ No	
Identification of major programs:					
CFDA Number	Name of Federal P	rogram or Cluste	er	Opinion	
10.553, 10.555, 10.556, 10.559	Child Nutrition Cluster			Unmodified	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish b type A and type B programs:	etween	\$750,000			
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		X Yes		No	
Section II - Financial State	ment Audit Findings				
Reference Number	Fin	ding			
Current Year None					
Section III - Federal Progra	m Audit Findings				
Reference Number	Finding			Questioned Costs	
Current Year None					