# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC.

BONITA SPRINGS, FLORIDA (A CHARTER SCHOOL AND COMPONENT UNIT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA)

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

JUNE 30, 2025

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#### 2024-2025

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs Bonita Springs, Florida

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs (the "School"), a charter school and a component unit of the District School Board of Lee County, Florida, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

# **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the School, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the School's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the School's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic

financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated August 12, 2025 on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Verdeja - Alvarez, LLP

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida August 12, 2025

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

Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs, Inc. June 30, 2025

The corporate officers of Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs, Inc. (the "School") have prepared this narrative overview and analysis of the School's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. At year-end, the School had current assets of \$2,755,459, which includes \$1,508,657 of cash restricted for debt service and capital projects.
- 2. At year-end, the School's fund balance was \$2,151,332.

#### Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the School's basic financial statements. The School's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2025 are presented in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Codification Section 2200. The financial statements have three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements

The *Government-Wide Financial Statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the School's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all of the School's assets and liabilities. The difference between the two is reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as an indicator of whether the financial position of the School is improving or deteriorating.

The *Statement of Activities* presents information on how the School's net position changed during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event resulting in the change occurs, without regard to the timing of related cash flows. Accordingly, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 11 - 12 of this report.

#### Fund Financial Statements

A "fund" is a collection of related accounts grouped to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities, projects, or objectives. The School, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and report compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the School are governmental funds. *Governmental Funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

Governmental Fund financial statements, however, focus on *near-term* inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on the balances of spendable resources which are available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be used to evaluate a government's requirements for near-term financing.

Prior to the start of the School's fiscal year, the Board of the School adopts an annual budget for all of its governmental funds, if applicable. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the School's governmental funds to demonstrate compliance with the School's budget. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 13 - 16 of this report.

#### 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 government-wide and fund financial statements.

The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 17 - 26 of this report.

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

As noted earlier, over time, net position may serve as a useful indicator of the School's financial position. A summary of the School's net position as of June 30, 2025 and 2024 follows:

	Net (Deficit) Position				
Assets		2025		2024	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,020,029	\$	1,023,109	
Restricted cash		1,508,657		1,582,112	
Due from agencies		36,773		321,947	
Due from FORZA		180,000		-	
Other asset		10,000		10,000	
Capital and right-of-use assets, net		13,886,673		14,392,013	
Deferred outflows of resources, net		536,572		554,542	
Total Assets	\$	17,178,704	\$	17,883,723	
Liabilities and Net (Deficit) Position					
Accounts and wages payable and accrued liabilities	\$	474,653	\$	515,089	
Due to other charter schools		129,474		-	
Bond payable		17,090,000		17,350,000	
Total Liabilities		17,694,127		17,865,089	
Net investment in capital assets		(1,158,098)		(821,333)	
Restricted for debt service		1,314,843		1,251,302	
Restricted for lunch program		130,073		138,414	
Restricted for capital projects		193,814		330,810	
Unrestricted (deficit)		(996,055)		(880,559)	
Total Net (Deficit) Position		(515,423)		18,634	
Total Liabilities and Net (Deficit) Position	\$	17,178,704	\$	17,883,723	

At June 30, 2025, the School's total assets were \$17,178,704 and total liabilities were \$17,694,127. At June 30, 2025, the School reported a total net deficit of \$515,423.

A summary and analysis of the School's revenues and expenses for the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 follows:

REVENUES	2025	2024
Program Revenues	 	
Federal lunch program	\$ 549,164	\$ 520,474
Revenues from state sources	3,981	146,573
State capital outlay funding	848,262	555,912
Charges for services	62,670	102,998
General Revenues		
FEFP nonspecific revenue	6,084,551	5,607,191
Gain on debt extinguishment	-	132,560
Other local revenue	 614,717	726,508
Total Revenues	 8,163,345	 7,792,216
EXPENSES		
Instruction	3,358,878	2,892,652
Food services	586,642	571,321
General administration	917,918	865,166
School administration	523,315	427,735
Central services	65,675	43,978
School Board	13,805	26,184
Operation of plant	1,225,032	1,283,573
Maintenance of plant	-	618
Fiscal services	193,697	109,480
Transportation	291,091	266,808
Administrative technology services	68,333	39,363
Community services	251,632	72,897
Interest on long-term debt	 1,201,384	1,167,869
Total Expenses	 8,697,402	 7,767,644
Change in Net Position	(534,057)	24,572
Net Position (Deficit) at Beginning of Year	18,634	(5,938)
Net (Deficit) Position at End of Year	\$ (515,423)	\$ 18,634

The School's total revenues for the year ended June 30, 2025 were \$8,163,345 while its total expenses were \$8,697,402 for a net decrease of \$534,057. The School had a net deficit at year-end of \$515,423.

#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

During the 2024–2025 school year, the School achieved significant milestones that strengthened both its academic and extracurricular programs. Enrollment increased from approximately 650 to 680 students, reflecting the school's continued growth and community support. The School earned Title 1 status, expanding opportunities and resources for students. Campus enhancements included the addition of new playground equipment, shade structures, and synthetic turf, creating a more engaging, safe, and comfortable outdoor environment. The School also celebrated a successful 10-year charter renewal, securing its future as a high-quality educational institution. The year also featured two well-received community events, a Pickleball Tournament and a Color Run, both of which brought families, students, staff, and community stakeholders together in a spirit of fun, wellness, and school pride.

A key highlight of the year was welcoming Dr. Charity Zawatski as the Academic Specialist. Dr. Zawatski brings over two decades of educational leadership experience, beginning her career as a middle school French teacher and high school science educator before advancing into administration. She served as an elementary principal for 13 years in Upstate New York, leading district-wide initiatives such as Responsive Classroom implementation and co-teaching models for inclusive classrooms. Holding both a master's degree and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership, Dr. Zawatski is deeply committed to continuous improvement in student achievement and instructional excellence.

The School also welcomed new Principal Leslie Stauss, a dedicated and visionary leader with a deep passion for education and student success. Ms. Stauss is no stranger to the Oak Creek community, having previously served as both a teacher and Assistant Principal. Her career spans a variety of roles in both public and charter schools in New York, including Physical Education Teacher, Interventionist, Dean of Students, Assistant Principal, and Principal. This diverse background has equipped her with a strong understanding of school operations, instructional leadership, and student-centered support. Committed to fostering a positive school culture and enhancing instructional practices, Ms. Stauss works closely with FORZA, staff, and families to sustain the school's forward momentum and meet the diverse needs of the community.

The School also benefited from the expertise of Elizabeth Potts, who served as Instructional Coach, providing valuable instructional guidance and professional development support to enhance teaching and learning across the school. Instructional Coach, Nicole Hamper, has been added for the 2025-2026 school year to continue enhancing the academic programming.

In athletics, the School was proudly represented by four student athletes and Master Martin at the USA Taekwondo National Championships in Ontario, California, where they earned impressive results: two gold medals in Sparring, one gold medal in Board Breaking, and three bronze medals in Board Breaking. The Taekwondo program also garnered widespread recognition, being featured in the media numerous times throughout the year, including two televised interviews with local news programs.

In addition, Learning for Life recognized Coach Lindsey Reilly as an Outstanding Educator for her exceptional infusion of character education into physical education and throughout the school, further highlighting the School's commitment to fostering well-rounded, value-driven students. These accomplishments reflect the School's dedication to academic growth, facility improvements, community engagement, and extracurricular achievement.

#### SCHOOL LOCATION

The School operates in the Bonita Springs area located at 28011 Performance Lane, Bonita Springs, FL, 34135.

#### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REQUIREMENT

The School maintains a continuous capital improvements program to enhance facilities and update fixtures and equipment as required.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUND

As noted earlier, the School uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

The focus of the School's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the School's financing requirements. In particular, *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

For the year ended June 30, 2025, the School's governmental funds reported a negative in its change in fund balance of \$270,747 and reported a combined fund balance at year-end of \$2,151,332.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

The School's investment in capital assets, as of June 30, 2025, amounts to \$13,886,673 (net of accumulated depreciation and amortization). This investment in capital assets includes facilities, improvements, vehicles, furniture, fixtures and equipment. Capital assets net book value decreased by \$505,340 mainly due to the net effect of depreciation expense over capital additions.

#### **LONG-TERM DEBT**

In March 2022, the School issued a tax-exempt revenue bond for \$17,090,000 (Series 2021A), which is secured by related reserve and indenture subaccounts. The bond was issued to finance the acquisition, improvements, and related financing costs of the School's educational facilities. The balance at June 30, 2025 of bond payable totaled \$17,090,000.

#### GOVERNMENTAL FUND BUDGET ANALYSIS

Prior to the start of the School's fiscal year, the Board of the School adopted an annual budget. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the governmental funds to demonstrate compliance with the School's budget.

	Original	F	inal Budget	Actual
REVENUES				
State passed through local district	\$ 6,175,250	3	6,084,551	\$ 6,084,551
Federal lunch program	500,000	)	549,164	549,164
Federal passed through state	25,000	)	3,981	3,981
State capital outlay funding	744,41	7	848,262	848,262
Local and other revenue	119,60	)	677,387	677,387
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 7,564,26	7 \$	8,163,345	\$ 8,163,345
EXPENDITURES				
Instruction	\$ 2,721,16	7 \$	3,284,458	\$ 3,284,458
Instructional support services	6,50	)	-	-
Food services	500,000	)	586,642	586,642
General administration	105,82	5	917,918	917,918
School administration	1,108,269	9	523,315	523,315
Central services	51,60	)	65,675	65,675
School Board	18,20	)	13,805	13,805
Operation of plant	643,16	3	709,893	709,893
Maintenance of plant	1,00	)	-	-
Fiscal services	1,134,939	9	193,697	193,697
Transportation	193,89	3	241,711	241,711
Administrative technology services	42,00	)	68,333	68,333
Community services	17,439	9	251,632	251,632
Capital Outlay:				
Facilities acquisition and construction	-		133,599	133,599
Debt service	920,813	3	1,443,414	1,443,414
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 7,464,81	3 \$	8,434,092	\$ 8,434,092
Net change in fund balance	\$ 99,44	9 \$	(270,747)	\$ (270,747)

# REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is intended to provide a general overview of the finances of the School. Requests for additional information may be addressed to Mr. Will Staros at 12214 US Hwy 301 N, Parrish, FL 34219.

# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC. STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2025

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTLFOWS OF RESOURCES	
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,020,029
Restricted cash	1,508,657
Due from agencies	36,773
Due from FORZA	180,000
Other asset	10,000
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	2,755,459
Capital and right-of-use assets, net	13,886,673
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred charge on bond issuance, net of amortization	536,572
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 17,178,704
LIABILITIES AND NET DEFICIT	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 121,825
Accrued payroll and related expenses	352,828
Due to other charter schools	129,474
Bond payable, current portion	250,000
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	854,127
Bond payable, long-term portion	16,840,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	17,694,127
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	(1,158,098)
Restricted for debt service	1,314,843
Restricted for lunch program	130,073
Restricted for capital projects	193,814
Unrestricted (deficit)	(996,055)
TOTAL NET DEFICIT	(515,423)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET DEFICIT	\$ 17,178,704

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

# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

# Program Revenues

					Net (Expense)				
			Operating	Capital	Revenue				
		Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	and Changes				
Functions	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	in Net Assets				
Governmental Activities:	•	•	•	•					
Instruction	\$3,358,878	\$ -	\$ 3,981	\$ -	\$ (3,354,897)				
Food services	586,642	36,951	549,164	-	(527)				
General administration	917,918	-	-	-	(917,918)				
School administration	523,315	-	-	-	(523,315)				
Central services	65,675	-	-	-	(65,675)				
School Board	13,805	-	-	-	(13,805)				
Operation of plant	1,225,032	-	-	848,262	(376,770)				
Fiscal services	193,697	-	-	-	(193,697)				
Transportation	291,091	-	-	-	(291,091)				
Administrative technology services	68,333	-	-	-	(68,333)				
Community services	251,632	25,719	-	-	(225,913)				
Interest on long-term debt	1,201,384	-			(1,201,384)				
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	\$8,697,402	\$ 62,670	\$ 553,145	\$ 848,262	\$ (7,233,325)				
GENERAL REVENUES: Government grants not restricted to specific programs \$ 6,084,551 Local and other revenue 614,717 Total general revenues 6,699,268									
	Change in No		(534,057)						
	NET POSIT		18,634						
	NET DEFIC	IT - ENDING	G		\$ (515,423)				

# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC. BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2025

	General Fund		Special Revenue Fund		Debt Service Fund		Capital Projects Fund		Go	Total overnmental Funds
ASSETS										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	889,956	\$	130,073	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,020,029
Restricted cash		-		-		1,508,657		-		1,508,657
Due from agencies		36,773		-		-		-		36,773
Due from FORZA		180,000		-		-		-		180,000
Other asset		10,000		-		-		-		10,000
Due from other funds				-				193,814		193,814
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,116,729	\$	130,073	\$	1,508,657	\$	193,814	\$	2,949,273
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES LIABILITIES										
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	121,825	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	121,825
Accrued payroll and related expenses		352,828		_		_		_		352,828
Due to other charter schools		129,474		_		_		_		129,474
Due to other funds		-		_		193,814		_		193,814
TOTAL LIABILITIES		604,127		-		193,814	-	-		797,941
FUND BALANCE										
Restricted for:										
Debt service		_		_		1,314,843		_		1,314,843
Lunch program		_		130,073		-		_		130,073
Capital projects		_		<b>-</b>		_		193,814		193,814
Nonspendable		10,000		_		_		-		10,000
Unassigned		502,602		_		_		_		502,602
TOTAL FUND BALANCE		512,602	-	130,073		1,314,843	-	193,814		2,151,332
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$	1,116,729	_\$_	130,073	\$	1,508,657	\$	193,814	\$	2,949,273

# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC. RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2025

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	\$ 2,151,332
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in governmental funds.	13,886,673
Deferred outflow of resources are reported as a result of changes in fair value of deferred amounts on bond issuance costs in the statement of net position.	536,572
Long term liabilities are not due in the current period and, accordingly, are not reported as fund liabilities.  Bonds payable	(17,090,000)
Total Net Deficit - Governmental Activities	\$ (515,423)

# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC. STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

			Special	Debt Service				Ca	pital Outlay	Tota	al Governmental
	General Fund	Rev	venue Fund		Fund		Fund		Funds		
REVENUES			_						_		
State passed through local school district	\$ 6,084,551	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6,084,551		
Federal lunch program	-		549,164		-		-		549,164		
Federal passed through state	-		3,981		-		-		3,981		
State capital outlay funding	-		-		-		848,262		848,262		
Local and other revenue:											
Charges for services	25,719		36,951		-		_		62,670		
Other	614,717		-		-		_		614,717		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 6,724,987	\$	590,096	\$	-	\$	848,262	\$	8,163,345		
EXPENDITURES											
Current:											
Instruction	\$ 3,280,477	\$	3,981	\$	_	\$	_	\$	3,284,458		
Food services	-	•	586,642	•	_	•	_	•	586,642		
General administration	917,918		-		_		_		917,918		
School administration	523,315		_		_		_		523,315		
Central services	65,675		_		_		_		65,675		
School Board	13,805		_		_		_		13,805		
Operation of plant	709,893		_		_		_		709,893		
Maintenance of plant	-		_		_		_		-		
Fiscal services	193,697		_		_		_		193,697		
Transportation	241,711		_		_		_		241,711		
Administrative technology services	68,333		_		_		_		68,333		
Community services	251,632		_		_		_		251,632		
Capital Outlay:	- ,								,,,,		
Facilities acquisition and construction	-		_		_		133,599		133,599		
Debt service:							,		Ź		
Principal retirement	-		_		260,000		_		260,000		
Interest	278,514		_		904,900		_		1,183,414		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 6,544,970	\$	590,623	\$	1,164,900	\$	133,599	\$	8,434,092		
Change in fund balance before other											
financing sources	\$ 180,017	\$	(527)	\$	(1,164,900)	\$	714,663	\$	(270,747)		
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES											
Transfers in (out)	(368,968)		(7,814)		1,228,441		(851,659)		-		
Total other financing sources	(368,968)		(7,814)		1,228,441		(851,659)				
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(188,951)		(8,341)		63,541		(136,996)		(270,747)		
Fund balance at beginning of year	701,553		138,414		1,251,302		330,810		2,422,079		
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 512,602	\$	130,073	\$	1,314,843	\$	193,814	\$	2,151,332		

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

# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC. RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds

\$ (270,747)

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as a depreciation expense. In addition, various transactions involving capital assets decrease or increase net position as follows:

Capital outlays 133,599 Depreciation expense (638,939)

Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt are reported as an other financing source in the governmental funds. However, in the statement of net position, the amount of funds borrowed is reported as an increase in notes payable. Similarly, repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but reduces the liability in the statement of net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums discounts and debt issuance costs, wheres these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities.

Principal repayments	260,000
Amortization of deferred outflows	(17,970)

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$\( (534,057) \)

#### NOTE 1 – ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

#### **Reporting Entity**

Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs, Inc. (the "School") is a charter school sponsored by the School Board of Lee County, Florida (the "District") and is a component unit of the District. The School's charter is held by Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, organized pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and Section 1002.33 Florida Statutes. The School is governed by a Board of Directors composed of three members.

The general operating authority of the School is contained in Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. The School recently renewed their charter for a term of five years beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2034. The charter may be renewed as provided in Section 1002.33 or 1002.331, Florida Statutes, upon mutual consent between the School and the District and execution of a written renewal. At the end of the term of the charter, the District may choose not to renew the charter under grounds specified in the charter, in which case the District is required to notify the School in writing at least ninety days prior to the charter's expiration. The School contract provides, in the event the School is dissolved or terminated, any unencumbered funds and all School property purchased with public funds revert to the District. During the term of the charter, the District may also terminate the charter if good cause is shown.

These financial statements are for the year ended June 30, 2025, when approximately 683 students were enrolled in grades Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of Presentation**

Based on the guidance provided in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Audit and Accounting Guide – Audits per State and Local Governments and provisions of Florida Statutes, the School is presented as a governmental organization for financial statement reporting purposes under standards set by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB").

#### **Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. These statements report information for the School as a whole. Both statements report only governmental activities as the School does not engage in any business type activities. These statements do not include fiduciary funds.

The statement of activities reports the expenses of a given function offset by program revenues directly connected with the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expenses and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity. Program revenues include: (1) charges for services which report fees, (2) operating grants and contributions which finance annual operating activities, and (3) capital grants and contributions which fund the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of capital assets. These revenues are subject to externally imposed restrictions to these program uses. Other revenue sources not properly included with program revenues are reported as general revenues.

# NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

### **Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)**

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements are provided for governmental funds. The operations of the funds are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, equity, revenues, and expenditures. Major individual governmental funds, namely, the general, special revenue, debt service, and capital project funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements:

The School utilizes the following major governmental funds:

<u>General Fund</u> – is the School's primary operating fund. The General Fund accounts for all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

<u>Special Revenue Fund</u> – used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specific purposes other than debt service and capital projects, such as the federal lunch program and other federal grants.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> – used to account for financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for principal and interest.

<u>Capital Projects Fund</u> – used to account for financial resources used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities, and for the proceeds and related expenditures of charter school capital outlay funding.

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

The financial statements of the School are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The School's reporting entity applies all relevant GASB *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidelines*.

The government-wide statements report using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Revenues from non-exchange transactions are reported according to GASB Codification Section 1600.111 and Section N50 "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-Exchange Transactions." On the accrual basis, revenues from grants and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements report using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. The School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) revenues are recognized when received. A one-year availability period is used for revenue recognition for all other governmental fund revenues. When grant terms provide that the expenditure of funds is the prime factor for determining eligibility for federal, state, and other grant funds, revenue is recognized at the time the expenditure is made. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for long-term debt principal and interest which are reported as expenditures in the year due.

# NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Budgetary Basis of Accounting**

In compliance with Florida Statutes, the Board of Directors adopts an annual budget using the modified accrual basis of accounting. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the object level (e.g., salaries, purchased services, and capital outlay) within each activity (e.g. instructional, pupil personnel services, and school administration). Any revisions to the annual budget are approved by the Board.

#### Cash

Cash deposits consist primarily of demand deposits included in pooled cash, held by banks which are qualified as public depositories under Florida law. Deposits on hand at financial institutions are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC") and collateralized with securities held in Florida's multiple financial institution collateral pool as required by Chapter 280, Florida Statutes.

#### **Capital Assets and Depreciation**

Capital assets purchased or acquired are carried at historical cost or estimated historical cost. The School capitalization levels are \$1,000 on tangible personal property. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. When capital assets are disposed, the costs and applicable accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in operations. Estimated useful lives, in years, for depreciable assets are as follows:

	Estimated
	Useful Lives
	(years)
Buildings	39
Improvements other than buildings	10
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	10
Software	3
Vehicles	5-10

#### **Compensated Absences**

The School grants a specific number of days for sick/personal leave. Full-time office and administrative employees are eligible for up to ten days of active work during the ten-month period (a "benefit year"). Teachers are eligible for up to seven days of active work during the benefit year. In the event that available time is not used by the end of the benefit year, employees may not "rollover" all unused days for use in future benefit years.

Pursuant to recently issued Governmental Accounting Standards Board issued Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences, only leave that accumulates should be recognized as a liability for leave that has not been used because if it does not accumulate, a government would not have an obligation for it at the date of the financial statements. For organizations with use-it-or-lose it policies, for which any unused leave is forfeited at the end of the fiscal year, there is no obligation to provide time off or payment or settlement in a future period. Accordingly, no liability for compensated absences is reported in these financial statements. See Adopted Accounting Pronouncements.

# NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Government-wide Fund Net Deficit**

Government-wide fund net position are divided into three components:

- Net investment in capital assets consists of the historical cost capital assets less accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition or improvement of those assets plus deferred outflows of resources less deferred inflows of resources. The net investment in capital assets for the year ending June 30, 2025, was (\$1,158,098).
- Restricted net assets consists of net assets with constraints placed on their use either by external groups, such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments less related liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Restricted net assets at June 30, 2025 were \$1,638,730.
- <u>Unrestricted</u> all other net position is reported in this category.

#### **Governmental Fund Balances**

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

- <u>Non-spendable</u> fund balance associated with inventories, prepaid expenses and deposits, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed, or assigned). At June 30, 2025, the non-spendable fund balance was \$10,000.
- Restricted fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation. At June 30, 2025, the restricted fund balance totaled \$1,638,730.
- <u>Committed</u> fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the School's Board of Directors. At June 30, 2025, there is no committed fund balance.
- Assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the School's management for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. At June 30, 2025, there is no assigned fund balance.
- <u>Unassigned</u> fund balance is the residual classification for the School's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

#### **Order of Fund Balance Spending Policy**

The School considers restricted or unrestricted amounts to have been spent when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available and committed, assigned, or unassigned amounts are considered to have been spent when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

The School has a revenue spending policy that provides guidance for programs with multiple revenue sources. The finance officer will use resources in the following hierarchy: debt proceeds, federal funds, state funds, local non-city funds, city funds, and funds passed through the District. For purposes of fund balance classification, expenditures are to be spent from restricted fund balance first, followed in-order by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance and lastly unassigned fund balance. The finance officer has the authority to deviate from this policy if it is in the best interest of the School.

#### Reclassifications

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified for consistency with the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on the reported results of operations.

#### NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Revenue Sources**

Revenues for operations will be received primarily from the District School Board of Lee County (the "School Board") pursuant to the funding provisions included in the School's charter. In accordance with the funding provisions of the charter and Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes, the School will report the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the School Board. Under the provisions of Section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, the School Board reports the number of the full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) for funding through the Florida Education Finance Program. Funding for the School is adjusted during the year to reflect the revised calculations by the FDOE under the Florida Education Finance Program and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students reported by the School during the designated full-time equivalent student survey periods.

The School may also receive federal grant awards and State financial assistance for the enhancement of various educational programs. Federal awards and State financial assistance are generally received based on an application submitted to and approved by various granting agencies. For federal awards and state financial assistance in which a claim to these grant proceeds is based on incurring eligible expenditures, revenue is recognized to the extent that eligible expenditures have been incurred. This activity is recorded in the Special Revenue Fund and Capital Outlay Fund. Additionally, other revenues may be derived from various fundraising activities and certain other programs.

#### **Adopted Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2022, GASB issued Statement No. 101 ("GASB 101"), Compensated Absences, which establishes a unified model for the recognition and measurement of all types of compensated absences, such as vacation leave, sick leave, and paid time off. This Statement replaces the prior guidance in GASB Statement No. 16 and requires that a liability be recognized as leave is earned, regardless of whether it vests or is contingent on future events, to the extent it is more likely than not to be used for time off in a future reporting period or otherwise paid to the employee.

The School grants a specific number of days for sick/personal leave each benefit year. Unused days do not carry forward to subsequent benefit years and are not paid out under any circumstance ("use-it-or-lose-it" policy). Because no leave earned in the current year results in a future obligation once the benefit year ends, the School determined that no liability for compensated absences is required under GASB 101.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2023, the GASB issued Statement No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures* ("GASB 102"), which includes new disclosure requirements related to concentrations and constraints, including certain risks related to capital assets. GASB 102 requires disclosure when events or conditions make it at least reasonably possible that a significant concentration or constraint could impact the government's ability to continue providing services at current levels or meet obligations as they come due.

GASB 102 is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024. Accordingly, it will be effective for the School's fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. The School is currently assessing the impact of this Statement on future financial statement disclosures. Early application is permitted.

#### **Income Taxes**

Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs, Inc. qualifies as a tax exempt organization under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and is, therefore, exempt from income tax. Accordingly, no tax provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements. The School has evaluated its tax position for all open tax years and has not identified any uncertain tax positions prior to year ending June 30, 2022.

# NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Subsequent Events**

The School has evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through August 12, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

#### NOTE 3 – CASH DEPOSITS AND CREDIT RISK

The School maintains its cash and cash equivalents in one major banks. Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") up to \$250,000 per depositor, per financial institution. As of June 30, 2025, bank balances held in financial institutions exceeded the FDIC limit by \$2,278,687.

All School deposits are held in qualified public depositories pursuant to Chapter 280, Florida Statutes, the "Florida Security for Public Deposits Act". Under the act, all public depositories are required to pledge eligible collateral having a market value equal to or greater than the average daily or monthly balance of all public deposits times the depository's collateral pledging level. The collateral pledging level may range from fifty percent to one-hundred-twenty-five percent depending upon the depository's financial condition and the length of time the depository has been established.

#### NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2025 is as follows:

	Balance					classifications/	Balance
Capital Assets	J	uly 1, 2024		Additions		Retirements	June 30, 2025
Building	\$	14,774,439	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 14,774,439
Building improvements		875,042		30,000		(61,250)	843,792
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment		500,880		164,849		-	665,729
Vehicles		442,126		-		-	442,126
Audiovisual materials and computer software		214,510		-			214,510
Total Depreciable Assets		16,806,997		194,849		(61,250)	16,940,596
Less Accumulated Depreciation							
Building		(1,520,771)		(441,258)		-	(1,962,029)
Building improvements		(333,738)		(73,881)		-	(407,619)
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment		(273,095)		(58,600)		-	(331,695)
Vehicles		(128,998)		(44,213)		-	(173,211)
Audiovisual materials and computer software		(188,390)		(15,820)			(204,210)
Total Accumulated Depreciation		(2,444,992)		(633,772)			(3,078,764)
Total Depreciable Assets, net							
Lease Asset							
Vehicle, right-of-use		51,670		-		-	51,670
Less: accumulated amortization		(21,662)		(5,167)			(26,829)
Total leased assets, net		30,008		(5,167)			24,841
Capital Assets, net	\$	14,392,013	\$	(444,090)	\$	(61,250)	\$ 13,886,673

#### NOTE 4 – CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

For the year ended June 30, 2025, depreciation expense was allocated in the statement of activities as follows:

Operation of plant	\$ 515,139
Instructional	74,420
Transportation	 49,380
Total	\$ 638,939

#### NOTE 5 – RIGHT-OF-USE ASSET AND LEASE LIABILITY

The School previously entered into a lease agreement with Forza Education Management, L.L.C. ("FORZA") to lease a vehicle, which was reflected as a capital lease. The School has implemented GASB Statement No. 87 *Leases*, and as a result, reflects this agreement as a lease right-of-use asset and liability in these financial statements. The interest rate of the lease is 6% which was used to discount the annual lease payments to present the intangible right-of-use asset and the lease liability as of June 30, 2025. The balance due to FORZA as of June 30, 2025 was \$0. At June 30, 2025, the right-of-use asset, net of accumulated amortization, was \$24,841. See balance due from Forza at June 30, 2025, unrelated to leases, at Note 10.

#### NOTE 6 – BOND PAYABLE

In 2022, the School issued a tax-exempt revenue bond for \$17,090,000 (Series 2021A). The bond is issued by Florida Development Finance Corporation on behalf of the School and is secured by their related reserve and indenture subaccounts. The Series 2021A bond calls for interest only payments through June 30, 2025, followed by principal and interest payments through the maturity date. Bond payable at June 30, 2025 totaled \$17,090,000 as follows:

Bond Type Florida Development Finance Corporation	Amount Outstanding	Interest Rates (Percent)	Annual Maturity To
Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds (Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs, Inc. Project) Series 2021A Total bond payable	\$ 17,090,000 \$ 17,090,000	5.125	2055

#### NOTE 6 – BOND PAYABLE (Continued)

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

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Total		Principal			Interest	
2026	\$	1,125,863	\$ 250,000		\$	875,863	
2027		1,128,050		265,000		863,050	
2028		1,129,469		280,000		849,469	
2029 - 2033		5,641,719		1,625,000		4,016,719	
2034 - 2038		5,636,751		2,080,000		3,556,751	
2039 - 2043		5,632,120		2,665,000		2,967,120	
2044 - 2048		5,639,131		3,430,000		2,209,131	
2049 - 2053		5,640,381		4,405,000		1,235,381	
2054 - 2055		2,251,951		2,090,000		161,951	
	\$	33,825,435	\$ 1	7,090,000	\$ 1	6,735,435	

The bond payable agreement requires that the School be in compliance with certain debt covenants, including a 45 day cash on hand requirement beginning with fiscal year June 30, 2024 and thereafter, and a debt service coverage ratio of at least 1.10:1.00 beginning with fiscal year end June 30, 2023 and thereafter. At June 30, 2025 the School's debt covenants calculations as required per the bond agreement are as follows:

The debt service coverage ratio is presented for the fiscal year end June 30, 2025 below:

Debt Service Coverage Ratio	
Excess of expenditures over revenues	\$ (534,057)
Plus interest	1,183,413
Plus principal retirement	260,000
Plus depreciation	638,939
Plus capital outlay - facilities acquisiton and constructions	 194,849
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ 1,743,144
Debt service costs for year ending June 30, 2025	
Interest	\$ 1,183,413
Principal retirement	260,000
Total debt service costs for year ending June 30, 2025	\$ 1,443,413
(Total debt service costs for year ending June 30, 2025)	1.21
Cash on Hand	
Cash on hand, excluding funds held by the Trustee under the Indenture	\$ 963,843
Total expenditures total governmental funds year ending June 30, 2025	\$ 8,697,402
Less: depreciation expense	(638,939)
Less: capital outlay - facilities acquisition and constructions	(194,849)
Total expenditures total governmental funds less capital outlay -	
facilities acquisition and constructions	 7,863,614
Cash requirement (30 days) general fund at June 30, 2025	 45

#### NOTE 7 – MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

All policy decisions, including the annual budget, are formulated by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors has the powers reasonably necessary to manage, operate, maintain, and discharge the duties of the School to include adopting budgets; enter into contracts; adopt, publish, promulgate and enforce rules and regulations; employ on behalf of the School; managers, independent contractors, and any other employees deemed necessary; and acquire, sell, operate, lease, manage, and otherwise trade and deal with property, real and personal.

In July 1, 2016, the School entered into an agreement with Forza Education Management, L.L.C. ("FORZA"), a Florida limited liability company, to facilitate the continuation of the School by performing certain functions relating to the provision of educational services, transportation, food service, personnel management, and the administration and operation of the School in accordance with enrollment, age, and grade level specifications for the School. This agreement will be effective and remain effective through the last day of the Charter Contract, and will automatically renew upon the renewal of the Charter Contract, unless written notice is provided one-hundred-eighty (180) days prior to the Charter Contract expiring. The agreement may be terminated with cause by either party upon a sixty-day notice of material breach, as defined in the contract. The Agreement will automatically renew for a period equal to the charter school agreement extension with the District, unless written notice to terminate by either party is received one-year prior to the expiration date of the agreement.

The management company shall be entitled to payment of a fee for services, including for providing Operating Advances (the "Fund Balance Assistance Fee"), in any year in which (i) no amounts were required to be forgiven pursuant to the previous paragraph, and (ii) the Defined Fund Balance, after consideration of the repayments of all outstanding Operating Advances, exceeds the fund balance required by the Authorizer, if any. The Fund Balance Assistance Fee for such year shall equal the lessor of (x) the amount which, when recorded for such year would cause the Defined Fund Balance to equal at least one dollar (\$1.00) or, if greater, the Fund Balance required by the Authorizer, if any, and (y) 2% of State revenues. The Fund Balance Assistance fee shall be due and payable as of the 15th day of December following the fiscal year of such determination, to allow for time to complete the School's annual audit. "Defined Fund Balance" for purposes of this agreement, shall mean that portion of the School's fund balance not classified as restricted, committed, or nonspendable, as reported on the fund financial statements.

#### Recoverable Grant

During the year June 30, 2025, the School was awarded a \$180,000 recoverable grant from FORZA, which is included in other revenue in the accompanying financial statements. The purpose of the grant is for the School to fund operating expenses. Under the terms of the grant, the School would repay the grant in the event the School experiences a surplus of its operating budget for any period ending on June 30 of the current fiscal year. The maximum the School may be required to pay in the future should the School meet the requirements for repayment is \$180,000.

#### NOTE 8 – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

The School entered into an agreement with Building Hope Services to provide accounting services to the School. The contract, renewable annually, calls for an annual fee of \$100 per student based on enrollment at the beginning of the school year, payable in monthly installments. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the School incurred fees related to this agreement totaling \$72,115.

#### NOTE 9 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS

During the fiscal year 2025, the general fund transferred \$368,968 to other funds, consisting of a transfer to the debt service fund to pay a portion of required debt service. In addition, the capital outlay fund transferred \$851,659 to other funds.

#### NOTE 10 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The School received funds of approximately \$130,000 from Gulf Coast Charter Academy South, a charter school with common board of directors and management. These funds are owed by the School to Gulf and are reflected as a due to other charter schools in the accompanying statement of net position.

The School entered into a recoverable grant agreement (see Note 7) and a lease agreement (see Note 5) with FORZA. At June 30, 2025, \$180,000 was owed from FORZA related to a fiscal year 2025 recoverable grant and is reflected as due from FORZA on the accompanying statement of net position.

# NOTE 11 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### Grants

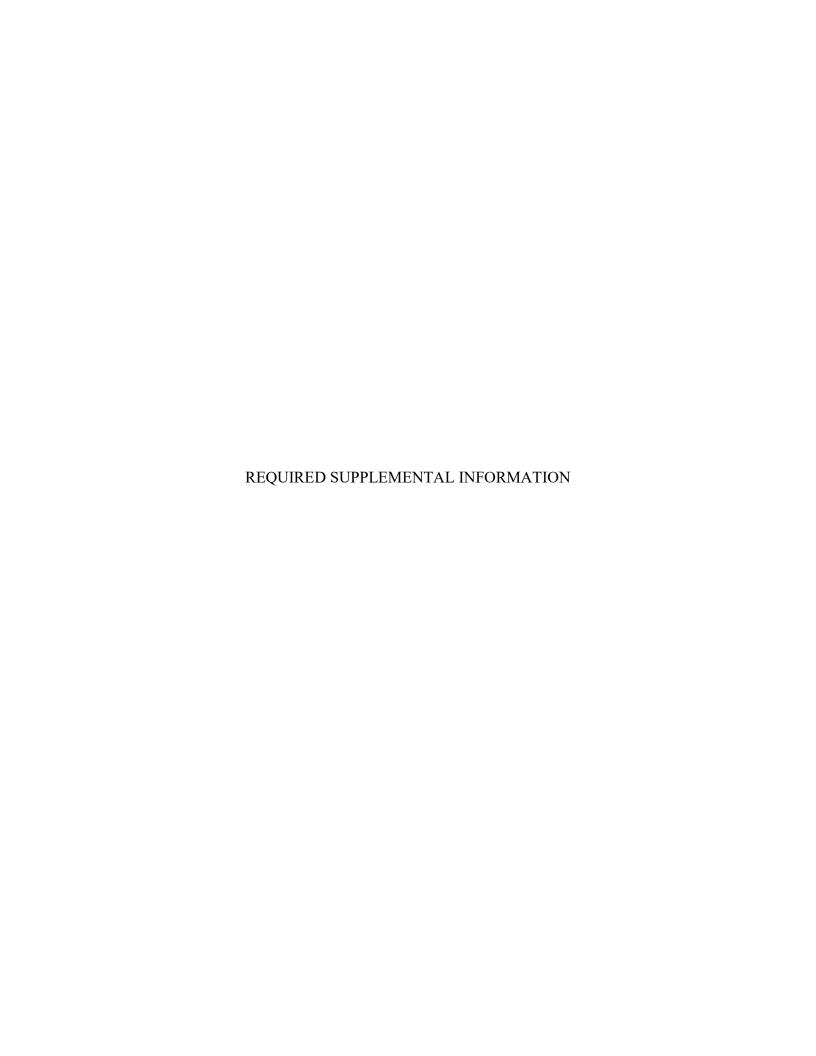
In the normal course of operations, the School receives grant funds from various federal, state, and local agencies. The grant programs are subject to audit by agents of the granting authority, the purpose of which is to ensure compliance with conditions precedent to the granting of funds. Any liability for reimbursement which may arise as the result of these audits is not reflected in these financial statements. In management's opinion, there will be no adjustments resulting from future audits on grant periods through June 30, 2025, which will have a material effect on the financial statements.

#### Litigation

From time to time, the School is subject to legal proceedings and claims in the ordinary course of business. Although the outcome of these matters is inherently uncertain, management, after consultation with legal counsel, currently cannot determine the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome or reasonably estimate the amount or range of potential loss, if any. Accordingly, no accrual has been recorded in the accompanying financial statements.

#### NOTE 12 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, and natural disasters for which the School carries commercial insurance. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage in the past. In addition, there were no reductions in insurance coverage from those in the prior year. The School does not sponsor a public entity risk pool and has had no settlements that have exceeded their insurance coverage.



# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC. SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	General Fund					
	Original Budget		F	inal Budget		Actual
REVENUES						
State passed through local school district	\$	6,175,250	\$	6,084,551	\$	6,084,551
Charges for services		119,600		25,719		25,719
Local and other revenue				614,717		614,717
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	6,294,850	\$	6,724,987	\$	6,724,987
EXPENDITURES						
Instruction	\$	2,696,167	\$	3,280,477	\$	3,280,477
Instructional support services		6,500		-		-
General administration		105,825		917,918		917,918
School administration		1,108,269		523,315		523,315
Central services		51,600		65,675		65,675
School Board		18,200		13,805		13,805
Operation of plant		643,168		709,893		709,893
Maintenance of plant		1,000		-		-
Fiscal services		1,134,939		193,697		193,697
Transportation		193,898		241,711		241,711
Administrative technology services		42,000		68,333		68,333
Community services		17,439		251,632		251,632
Debt service		176,396		278,514		278,514
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	6,195,401	\$	6,544,970	\$	6,544,970
Change in fund balance before other financing sources	\$	99,449	\$	180,017	\$	180,017
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES						
Transfers out		-		(368,968)		(368,968)
Net change in fund balance	\$	99,449	\$	(188,951)	\$	(188,951)

# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC. SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL – SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Special Revenue Fund					
		Original Budget		Final Budget		Actual
REVENUES						
Federal lunch program	\$	500,000	\$	549,164	\$	549,164
Federal passed through state		25,000		3,981		3,981
Charges for services		_		36,951		36,951
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	525,000	\$	590,096	\$	590,096
EXPENDITURES						
Food services	\$	500,000	\$	586,642	\$	586,642
Instruction		25,000		3,981		3,981
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	525,000	\$	590,623	\$	590,623
Change in fund balance before other financing sources	\$	-	\$	(527)	\$	(527)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES						
Transfers out				(7,814)		(7,814)
Net change in fund balance	\$	_	\$	(8,341)	\$	(8,341)

# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC. SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL – DEBT SERVICE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Debt Service Fund						
	Orig	inal Budget	F	inal Budget	Actual		
REVENUES							
Revenues	\$	744,417	\$		\$		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	744,417	\$		\$	_	
EXPENDITURES							
Debt service	\$	744,417	\$	1,164,900	\$	1,164,900	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	744,417	\$	1,164,900	\$	1,164,900	
Change in fund balance before other financing sources	\$	-	\$	(1,164,900)	\$	(1,164,900)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES							
Transfers in		-		1,228,441		1,228,441	
		-		1,228,441		1,228,441	
Net change in fund balance	\$		\$	63,541	\$	63,541	

# OAK CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL OF BONITA SPRINGS, INC. NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

#### NOTE A – BUDGETARY INFORMATION

# **Budgetary basis of accounting**

The School's annual budget is adopted for the entire operations at the combined governmental level and may be amended by the Board. The budget presented for the year ended June 30, 2025, has been prepared according to Board procedures. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the fund level.

Although budgets are adopted for the entire operation, budgetary comparisons have been presented for the general, special revenue and debt service funds for which a legally adopted budget exists.

Budgets are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the object level (e.g., salaries, purchased services, and capital outlay).





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

Board of Directors of Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs, Inc. Bonita Springs, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs, Inc. (the "School") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 12, 2025.

# **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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 entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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#### MANAGEMENT LETTER

Board of Directors of Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs, Inc. Bonita Springs, Florida

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

We have audited the financial statements of Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs, Inc. (the "School"), a non-major component unit of the District School Board of Lee County, Florida, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, and have issued our report thereon dated August 12, 2025.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

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; and Chapter 10.850, Rules of the Auditor General.

#### **Other Reporting Requirements**

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards. Disclosures in that report, which is dated August 12, 2025, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

#### **Prior Audit Findings**

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

#### **Official Title**

Section 10.854(1)(e)5., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title of the entity and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education be disclosed in this management letter. The official title and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education of the entity are Oak Creek Charter School of Bonita Springs and 364281.

#### **Financial Condition and Management**

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

Pursuant to Sections 10.854(1)(e)6.a. and 10.855(12), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financials condition assessment procedures for the School. It is management's responsibility to monitor the School's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same. The financial condition assessment procedures applied in connection with our audit has lead us to believe that the School's overall financial condition as of June 30, 2025 is not deteriorating.

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

#### **Transparency**

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

#### **Additional Matters**

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

#### **Purpose of this Letter**

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

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