FINANCIAL AND COMPLIANCE AUDIT TOGETHER WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of **Belle Chasse Academy, Inc. and Affiliate** Belle Chasse, Louisiana

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of **Belle Chasse Academy**, **Inc. and Affiliate (BCA)** (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2023, and the related consolidated statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **BCA** as of June 30, 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

Responsibilities of Management for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about **BCA's** ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the consolidated financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with 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, including omissions, 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 consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated 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 **BCA's** internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about **BCA'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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements as a whole. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements. Also, the accompanying Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to the School Leader is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements or to the consolidated financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated December 15, 2023, on our consideration of **BCA's** internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing</u> Standards in considering **BCA's** internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

December 15, 2023

New Orleans, Louisiana

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 30, 2023

ASSETS

Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,561,867
Grants receivable	1,183,232
Prepaid expenses	137,242
Other assets	145,697
Investments	3,417,307
Unconditional promise to give	10,700
Total current assets	10,456,045
Noncurrent assets:	
Long-term unconditional promise to give	288,900
Investments	3,967,714
Property and equipment, net	14,796,986
Total noncurrent assets	19,053,600
Total assets	\$ 29,509,645
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>	
Current liabilities:	
	\$ 616,235
Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Note payable, current	\$ 616,235 591,461
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

REVENUES AND SUPPORT		nout Donor strictions		th Donor strictions	 Total
Local Sources:					
Income from meals	\$	212,762	\$	-	\$ 212,762
Contributions		68,874		-	68,874
Fundraising		87,465		-	87,465
Preschool tuition		43,925		-	43,925
Investment gain		89,380		-	89,380
Other income		125,620			 125,620
Total revenues from local sources		628,026		-	 628,026
State Sources:					
Minimum Foundation Program		11,200,180		-	11,200,180
Grants	4	15,779			 15,779
Total revenues from state sources		11,215,959			 11,215,959
Federal Sources - Grants		6,561,894			 6,561,894
Net assets released from restrictions		10,700		(10,700)	 -
Total revenues		18,416,579		(10,700)	18,405,879
<u>EXPENSES</u>					
Instruction		9,443,021		-	9,443,021
Supporting services		8,252,829		<u>-</u>	 8,252,829
Total expenses		17,695,850			17,695,850
Changes in net assets		720,729		(10,700)	710,029
Net assets, beginning of year		11,785,742		299,600	 12,085,342
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$</u>	12,506,471	<u>\$</u>	288,900	\$ 12,795,371

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	PROGRAM	SUPPORTING	
	SERVICES	SERVICES	
		Management	
	Instruction	and General	Total
Salaries and wages	\$ 7,288,879	\$ 3,583,322	\$ 10,872,201
Payroll taxes	635,128	147,032	782,160
Employee benefits	540,635	212,607	753,242
Total salaries and related expenses	8,464,642	3,942,961	12,407,603
Professional services	363,011	445,344	808,355
Materials and supplies	168,125	214,350	382,475
Repairs and maintenance	, -	104,669	104,669
Utilities	_	229,047	229,047
Insurance	_	235,385	235,385
Transportation	13,068	621,890	634,958
Food service	278,092	-	278,092
Postage, phone and cable	13,068	162,527	175,595
Meals and travel	27,765	6,417	34,182
Dues, fees and licenses	44,452	123,941	168,393
Furniture and equipment	17,071	29,194	46,265
Equipment rental	-	257,985	257,985
Other expenses	53,727	56,962	110,689
Rent	-	10,700	10,700
Amortization	-	33,256	33,256
Depreciation	-	914,733	914,733
Interest		863,468	863,468
Total expenses	\$ 9,443,021	\$ 8,252,829	\$ 17,695,850

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Change in net assets	\$	710,029
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to		
net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation expense		914,733
Amortization expense		33,256
Unrealized loss in investments		77,942
Increase in grants receivable		(343,699)
Decrease in prepaid expenses		6,154
Decrease in unconditional promise to give		10,700
Increase in other assets		(35,401)
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	_	(58,983)
Net cash provided by operating activities	_	1,314,731
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchases of property and equipment		(502,808)
Purchases of investments	(2,951,527)
Sale of investments	_	2,799,759
Net cash used in investing activities	_	(654,576)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Principal payments on note payable	_	(564,115)
Net cash used in financing activities		(564,115)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents		96,040
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		5,465,827
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$.	5,561,867
Supplemental Disclosure for Cash Flows Purposes: Interest paid	\$_	891,299

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Note 1 - Nature of Activities and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

Organization

Belle Chasse Academy, Inc. (the Academy) was originally granted a five (5) year charter by the Louisiana State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) in 2001 to operate a Type 2 public charter school. BESE granted a ten (10) year renewal of the charter effective June 30, 2017 through June 30, 2027. The Academy seeks to provide a quality education and cater to the special needs of military-dependent students, as well as provide convenient access for parents that have long and unusual work hours. The Academy seeks to reduce service-connected disruptions and stress on military-dependent students who frequently transfer schools. The Academy also provides continuing student counseling on the unique challenges associated with being a militarydependent child.

The Academy accepts students from military families that are located in the New Orleans region, residing both on and off base. While military dependents (to include U. S. Coast Guard dependents) will have priority, according to the approved charter, the Academy is a charter public school and has an enrollment policy that may allow non-military dependent students entrance if space is available.

During the 2022-2023 school year, the Academy served kindergarten through eighth grades, with an enrollment of 778 students.

The educational mission of the Academy is to establish a quality community-oriented charter school, which fosters an educational environment for the military-dependent child and provides:

- o Substantial and direct community and parental participation in school administration:
- A pooling of resources among community members, parents, and educators;
- o A comprehensive system to hold teachers, parents, and school administrators accountable for the student educational process;
- A reliable, flexible, results-oriented, and adaptable system to effectively measure student achievement; and
- Increased options for parents and students when choosing a school within Plaquemines Parish and contiguous parishes.

Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Belle Chasse Academy, Inc. (the Academy) and its affiliate, Belle Chasse Educational Foundation (the Foundation), a special-purpose-entity lessor. The Foundation meets the criteria for consolidation with the Academy as outlined in Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 958-810-25-8, Not-for-Profit Entities, Consolidation. All significant inter-organizational balances and transactions were eliminated in consolidation.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

The Foundation is a nonprofit organization formed in 2001, which leases school facilities and equipment to the Academy. The Academy has no ownership interest in the Foundation. The Academy is the guarantor of the Foundation's note payable, which amounted to \$16,724,356, at June 30, 2023 (see also NOTE 5).

Total assets of the Foundation included in the consolidated financial statements amounted to \$16,953,125. Results of the Foundation's operations included in the consolidated financial statements after elimination of inter-organizational transactions consisted primarily of rent expense totaling \$10,700, amortization of bond issuance costs totaling \$33,256 and interest expense totaling \$863,468.

Financial Statement Presentation

Belle Chasse Academy, Inc. and Affiliate (BCA) has implemented the guidance under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2016-14, Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities, which amends the previous standard for external financial reporting by not-for-profit organizations. Under ASU 2016-14, BCA classifies resources for financial accounting and reporting purposes into two net asset categories: without donor restrictions and with donor restrictions. A description of the two net asset categories is as follows:

- Net assets without donor restrictions include funds not subject to donor-imposed stipulations. Grants and contributions without donor restrictions, other income and expenses incurred in conducting the mission of BCA are included in this category.
- Net assets with donor restrictions include grants and contributions for which donorimposed time and/or purpose restrictions have not been met.

Basis of Accounting

The consolidated financial statements of BCA are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The preparation of consolidated 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 disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Cash and Cash Equivalents

BCA classifies as cash and cash equivalents all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with original maturities of three (3) months or less.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment with a cost of \$5,000 or more are recorded as assets (capitalized) and are stated at cost, if purchased, or at fair market value at the date of the gift, if donated. Additions, improvements and expenditures that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Routine repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives ranging from five (5) to forty (40) years.

Revenue Recognition

Revenues from governmental grants are recognized when allowable expenditures are made by BCA. Funds received for specific purposes but not yet expended are recorded as deferred revenue.

Contributions are recorded as unrestricted, or restricted support, depending on the existence and nature of any donor restrictions. All donor-restricted support is recognized as an increase in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the consolidated statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Contributions whose restrictions are met in the same reporting period are reported as support without donor restrictions.

Contributed Services

BCA receives contributed services from a number of unpaid volunteers assisting BCA with its programs, activities, and operations. An estimated value of these services cannot be reasonably determined as a result of the variety of services provided by and the varying qualifications of the volunteers. Because the criteria for recognition under FASB ASC 958-605-25 have not been satisfied, contributed services are not recorded in the consolidated financial statements.

Compensated Absences

BCA's employees are entitled to paid vacation, sick and personal days off; however, none may be carried forward to subsequent years. Since BCA's employment contracts are renewed annually, employees are not allowed to carry over such time and are paid for unused leave at the end of the school year.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Special Legislative Funding - Minimum Foundation Program Formula (MFP)

BCA, as a Type 2 charter school, received funding from BESE in an amount for pupils based on estimated daily attendance at the school. The amount of funding received is adjusted during the school year based on the October 1st and February 1st student counts and the results of any audits performed.

Income Taxes

The Academy and the Foundation are exempt from federal income taxes through Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no provision for income taxes is made in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

The Academy and the Foundation files as tax-exempt organizations. Should that status be challenged in the future, tax years ended June 30, 2020 and later remain open for examination by the taxing authorities.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The cost of providing the various programs and other activities has been summarized on a functional basis in the consolidated statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among instructional and support services in the accompanying consolidated statement of activities.

Note 2 - Investments:

At June 30, 2023, BCA's investments consist of U.S. Government Securities with fair value of \$7,385,021 and cost basis of \$7,758,240. Investments are presented on the financial statements at fair value. Carrying value is estimated to approximate fair value.

Fair values of investments are determined by quoted market prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Fair value of assets measured on a recurring basis at June 30, 2023 are as follows:

FAIR VALUE
MEASUREMENTS
AT REPORTING
DATE USING
Quoted Prices in
Active Markets for
Identical Assets

Fair Value (Level 1)

U.S. Government Securities \$7,385,021 \$7,385,021

The following summarizes BCA's investment return for the year ended June 30, 2023:

Dividend and interest income \$167,322 Unrealized loss (77,942)

Note 3 - 50-Year Land Lease:

In October 2001, the Foundation entered into a sublease agreement with Louisiana Navy Family Housing L.L.C. to lease the land on which the Academy is located for a rental payment of one dollar (\$1) for the entire lease term of October 1, 2001 to October 1, 2051. In the June 30, 2002 fiscal year, a contribution with donor restrictions and receivable (unconditional promise to give) was recognized for \$535,000, which was the fair value amount of the free use of the land at the beginning of the lease term. Over the period of the lease, the unconditional promise to give is reduced by the annual amortized rent expense of \$10,700.

The amount of unconditional promise to give receivable at June 30, 2023 is as follows:

Receivable in less than one year	\$ 10,700
Receivable in one to five years	42,800
Receivable in more than five years	246,100

Total unconditional promise to give \$299,600

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Note 4 - Property and Equipment:

The following is a summary of property and equipment at June 30, 2023:

Land improvements	\$	669,735
Building and improvements		24,382,874
Furniture and fixtures		558,204
Machinery and equipment		2,744,708
Software		415,574
Construction in progress		16,196
		28,787,291
Less: accumulated depreciation		(13,990,305)
Property and equipment, net	<u>s</u>	14,796,986

Depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2023 totaled \$914,733.

Note 5 - Note Payable:

On October 15, 2019, the Foundation borrowed monies from Sunflower Public Finance Company, LLC in the amount of \$19,321,994 for the purpose of refunding all of the Series 2011 Revenue Bonds outstanding at the date of the loan, in an aggregate principal amount of \$18,240,000 and paying costs of issuance of the loan. The note payable bears interest at a 5% rate and has a final maturity date of May 1, 2041. The note payable is secured by a mortgage lien.

Note payable consists of the following as June 30, 2023:

Note payable	\$ 16,724,356
Less: cost of debt issuance	(626,317)
Note payable, net	16,098,039
Less: current portion	(591,461)
Total noncurrent note payable	\$ 15,506,578

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Minimum maturities on the refunding note payable for the next five fiscal years and the aggregate due in more than five fiscal years are as follows:

Year Ending	<u>Amoun</u>	<u>t</u>
2024	\$ 591,461	
2025	625,933	
2026	657,925	;
2027	689,776	,
2028	724,183	j
Thereafter	13,435,078	,
	\$16,724,350)

According to Section 7.05 of the Lease Financing Agreement, as amended, among Sunflower Public Finance, LLC and the Foundation and the Academy, dated as of October 1, 2019, the Academy is required to maintain at least 45 Days Cash on Hand, as tested as of the end of each fiscal year and maintain a Debt Service Coverage Ratio of 1.20 to 1.00 also as tested as of the end of each fiscal year. The Academy's Debt Service Coverage Ratio was 2.39 and the Days on Hand calculation equaled 282 days based on the audited June 30, 2023 financial statements.

Note 6 - Defined Contribution Plan:

BCA sponsors a defined contribution pension plan as defined under Section 401(k) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code covering substantially all employees. During the year ended June 30, 2023, BCA made matching contributions to the plan of 3% of employee compensation. Employer contributions during the year ended June 30, 2023 were \$100,665.

Note 7 - Risk Management:

BCA is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of property for which BCA carries commercial liability insurance coverage.

Liabilities are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated.

Note 8 - Concentrations of Risk:

BCA receives a substantial amount of its revenue from federal and state governments. Revenues earned from federal and state governments totaled \$17,777,853, or 97%, of total revenue for the year ended June 30, 2023.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

BCA maintains two (2) interest bearing accounts at two (2) financial institutions. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) provides up to \$250,000 deposit insurance coverage per depositor, per insured financial institution. At June 30, 2023, BCA's deposits were fully insured.

Note 9 - Board of Directors' Compensation:

The Board of Directors is a voluntary board; therefore, no compensation was paid to any board member during the year ended June 30, 2023.

Note 10 - Commitments:

BCA leases computers and office equipment under non-cancellable operating leases, expiring in various dates in the 2024 fiscal year. Lease expense totaled \$257,985 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Note 11 - Liquidity and Availability of Resources:

The following represents BCA's financial assets at June 30, 2023:

Financial assets at year-end:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,561,867
Grants receivable	1,183,232
Investments	3,417,307
Unconditional promise to give	299,600

Less: amounts unavailable for general expenditures within one year, due to:

Restricted by donor with purpose restriction (288,900)

Total financial assets available to management for general expenditures within one year \$10,173,106

BCA maintains a practice of structuring its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities and other obligations come due. As part of BCA's liquidity management, BCA's invests cash in excess of daily need in an overnight money market sweep account.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Note 12 - Contingencies:

BCA is a recipient of grants from federal and state sources. The grants are governed by various federal and state guidelines, regulations, and contractual agreements.

The administration of the programs and activities funded by these grants are under the control and administration of BCA and are subject to audit and/or review by federal and state agencies. Any grant found to be not properly spent in accordance with the terms, conditions, and regulations of applicable federal and state agencies may be subject to recapture.

Note 13 - Subsequent Events:

BCA is required to evaluate events or transactions that may occur after the consolidated statement of financial position date for potential recognition or disclosure in the consolidated financial statements. BCA performed such an evaluation through December 15, 2023, the date which the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued.

BELLE CHASSE ACADEMY, INC.

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Federal Grantor/Program Name	Federal CFDA or Other Number	Activity
U.S. Department of Education		
Direct awards		
Impact Aid	84.041 \$	3,507,777
U. S. Dept. of Defense	HE1254-16-0003	313,337
Total Direct Awards		3,821,114
Awards from a Pass-Through Entity		
Passed-Through: LA State Department of Education		
Title I, Part A - Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvan	84.010	207,311
Title II, Part A - Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting Fund	84.367	35,082
Title IVA_SSAE	84.424A	15,153
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B	84.027	169,327
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B PreK	84.173A	1,404
8(g) Enhancing Education Through Technology	84.318	4,537
21st Century Community Learning Center	84.287C	911,994
Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief	84.425D	987,483
Total Pass-Through Awards		2,332,291
Total U.S. Department of Education		6,153,405
U.S. Department of Agriculture		
Awards from a Pass-Through Entity		
Child Nutrition Cluster		
Passed-Through: LA State Department of Education		
National School Lunch Program	10.555	305,517
Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)	10.558	5,107
Total Pass-Through Awards		310,624
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		310,624

BELLE CHASSE ACADEMY, INC.

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Federal Grantor/Program Name	Federal CFDA or Other Number	Activity
U.S. Department of Defense		
Direct Awards		
Competitive Grant: Promoting K-12 Ach9ievement		
at Military Connected Schools	12.556	97,865
Total Direct Awards		97,865
Total U.S. Department of Defense		97,865
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS		\$ 6,561,894

NOTE: 1 The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of **BCA** and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

NOTE: 2 BCA did not elect to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate for the year ended June 30, 2023.

SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL LEADER FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

School Leader Name: Mrs. Jane M. Dye

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$ 178,018
Benefits - insurance	4,309
Benefits - retirement	2,696
Benefits - office parking	-0-
Car allowance	-0-
Vehicle provided by government	-0-
Per diem	-0-
Reimbursements	-0-
Travel	-0-
Registration fees	-0-
Conference travel	-0-
Continuing professional education fees	-0-
Housing	-0-
Unvouchered expenses	-0-
Special meals	
	\$ 185,023

See Independent Auditors' Report on Supplementary Information.



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

To the Board of Directors of **Belle Chasse Academy, Inc. and Affiliate** Belle Chasse, Louisiana

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 **Belle Chasse Academy, Inc. and Affiliate (BCA),** (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as of June 30, 2023, and the related consolidated statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 15, 2023.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the consolidated financial statements, we considered **BCA'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 consolidated financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of **BCA's** internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of **BCA's** internal control.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether **BCA's** consolidated 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 **BCA's** internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering **BCA's** internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

This report is intended solely for the use of the Board of Directors, its management, grantor agencies and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

New Orleans, Louisiana

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December 15, 2023





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

To the Board of Directors of **Belle Chasse Academy, Inc. and Affiliate** Belle Chasse, Louisiana

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited **Belle Chasse Academy, Inc. and Affiliate's (BCA)** compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of **BCA's** major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. **BCA's** major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, **BCA** complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; 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* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

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

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

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

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

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. However, under Louisiana Revised Statue 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

New Orleans, Louisiana

Brumo & Tewaln LLP

December 15, 2023



BELLE CHASSE ACADEMY, INC. AND AFFILIATE SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Section I – SUMMARY AUDITORS' RESULTS

- A. Type of report issued on the consolidated financial statements: **Unmodified**.
- B. Did the audit disclose any material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting? **No.**
- C. Did the audit disclose any significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that are not considered to be material weaknesses? **None Reported.**
- D. Did the audit disclose any non-compliance which is material to the financial statements? **No.**
- E. Did the audit disclose any material weaknesses in internal control over major federal programs? **No**.
- F. Did the audit disclose any significant deficiencies in internal control over major programs that are not considered to be material weaknesses? **None Reported**.
- G. Type of report issued on compliance for major programs: **Unmodified**.
- H. Did the audit disclose any audit findings required to be reported in accordance with Section 200.516(a) of the Uniform Guidance? **No**.
- I. Was a management letter issued? **No**.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS, CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

J. Identification of Major Programs:

United States Department of Education

21st Century Community Learning Center (CFDA No. 84.287C)

United States Department of Education

Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief (CFDA No. 84.425D)

- K. Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: **\$750,000**
- L. Auditee qualified as a "low-risk" auditee: Yes.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS, CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Section II - FINDINGS RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

No matters reported.

Section III - FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS RELATED TO FEDERAL AWARDS

No matters reported.

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Section I - FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

No matters reported.

Section II - FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS RELATED TO FEDERAL AWARDS

No matters reported.

Section III - MANAGEMENT LETTER

No matters reported.

BELLE CHASSE ACADEMY, INC. INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING BESE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING BESE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Board of Directors of **Belle Chasse Academy, Inc.** the Louisiana Department of Education, and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor

We have performed the procedures included in the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide* and enumerated below, which were agreed to by management of **Belle Chasse Academy, Inc.** (**BCA**), the Louisiana Department of Education and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor (the specified parties), on the performance and statistical data accompanying the annual financial statements of **BCA** for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, and to determine whether the specified schedules are free of obvious errors and omissions as provided by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education in compliance with Louisiana Revised Statue 24:514 I. Management of **BCA** is responsible for its performance and statistical data. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified parties. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described on pages 3 and 4 either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the United States Comptroller General. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the performance and statistical data. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING BESE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

(CONTINUED)

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of testing performed on the performance and statistical data accompanying the annual financial statements of BCA, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:514 I, and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

New Orleans, Louisiana

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December 15, 2023



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING BESE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

(CONTINUED)

PROCEDURES AND FINDINGS

Our procedures and associated findings are as follows:

General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenue Sources (SCHEDULE 1)

- 1. We selected a sample of 25 transactions, reviewed supporting documentation and observed that the sampled expenditures/revenues are classified correctly and are reported in the proper amounts among the following amounts reported on the schedule:
 - Total General Fund Instructional Expenditures,
 - Total General Fund Equipment Expenditures,
 - Total Local Taxation Revenue,
 - Total Local Earnings on Investment in Real Property,
 - Total State Revenue in Lieu of Taxes,
 - Nonpublic Textbook Revenue, and
 - Nonpublic Transportation Revenue.

No differences noted.

Class Size Characteristics (SCHEDULE 2, formerly SCHEDULE 6)

2. We obtained a list of classes by school, school type and class size as reported on the schedule. We then traced a sample of 10 classes to the October 1, 2022 roll books for those classes and observed that the class was properly classified on the schedule.

No differences noted.

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING BESE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

(CONTINUED)

PROCEDURES AND FINDINGS, CONTINUED

Education Levels/Experience of Public School Staff (No Schedule)

3. We obtained the October 1st Ed Link personnel reporting data submitted to the Department of Education, including full-time teachers, principals, and assistant principals by classification, as well as their level of education and experience, and obtained management's representation that the data is complete. We then selected a sample of 25 individuals, traced to each individual's personnel file, and observed that each individual's education level and experience was properly classified on the Ed Link data.

No differences noted.

Public School Staff Data: Average Salaries (No Schedule)

4. We obtained the June 30th Ed Link personnel reporting data submitted to the Department of Education of all classroom teachers, including base salary, extra compensation, and ROTC or rehired retiree status, as well as full-time equivalents, and obtain management's representation that the data is complete. We then selected a sample of 25 individuals, traced to each individual's personnel file, and observed that each individual's salary, extra compensation, and full-time equivalents were properly included on the Ed Link data.

No differences noted.

BELLE CHASSE ACADEMY, INC.

SCHEDULES REQUIRED BY STATE LAW (R.S. 24:514 - PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICAL DATA) AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

SCHEDULE 1 - General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenue Sources

This schedule includes general fund instructional and equipment expenditures. It also contains local taxation revenue, earnings on investments, revenue in lieu of taxes, and nonpublic textbook and transportation revenue. This data is used either in the Minimum, Foundation Program (MFP) formula or is presented annually in the MFP 70% Expenditure Requirement Report.

SCHEDULE 2 - Class Size Characteristics (formerly SCHEDULE 6)

This schedule includes the percent and number of classes with student enrollment in the following ranges: 1-20; 21-26, 27-33, and 34+ students.

General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenue Sources For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

General Fund Instructional and Equipment Expenditures			
General Fund Instructional Expenditures:			
Teacher and Student Interaction Activities:			
Classroom Teacher Salaries	\$ 7,612,632		
Other Instructional Staff Activities	93,466		
Instructional Staff Employee Benefits	1,094,968		
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	366,381		
Instructional Materials and Supplies	129,978		
Instructional Equipment	15,871		
Total Teacher and Student Interaction Activities		\$	9,313,296
Other Instructional Activities			1,233,143
Pupil Support Activities	548,187		
Less: Equipment for Pupil Support Activities	-		
Net Pupil Support Activities	 ***************************************	•	548,187
Instructional Staff Services	366,282		
Less: Equipment for Instructional Staff Services	-		
Net Instructional Staff Services		•	366,282
School Administration	694,187		
Less: Equipment for School Administration	-		
Net School Administration	 		694,187
Total General Fund Instructional Expenditures		\$	12,155.095
Total General Fund Equipment Expenditures		\$	49,989
Certain Local Revenue Sources			
Local Taxation Revenue:			
Constitutional Ad Valorem Taxes		\$	_
Renewable Ad Valorem Tax			-
Debt Service Ad Valorem Tax			-
Up to 1% of Collections by the Sheriff on Taxes Other than School Taxes			_
Sales and Use Taxes			-
Total Local Taxation Revenue		\$	-
Local Earnings on Investment in Real Property:			
Earnings from 16th Section Property			-
Earnings from Other Real Property			-
Total Local Earnings on Investment in Real Property		\$	-
State Revenue in Lieu of Taxes:			
Revenue Sharing - Constitutional Tax		\$	-
Revenue Sharing - Other Taxes			-
Revenue Sharing - Excess Portion			-
Other Revenue in Lieu of Taxes			-
Total State Revenue in Lieu of Taxes		\$	-
Nonpublic Textbook Revenue		\$	-

See accompanying independent accountants' report on applying agreed-upon procedures.

Class Size Characteristics As of October 1, 2022

	Class Size Range									
	1 - 20		21 - 26		27 - 33		34+			
School Type	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number		
Elementary	52%	13	48%	12	0%	0	0%	0		
Elementary Activity Classes	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0		
Middle/Jr. High	0%	0	100%	12	0%	0	0%	0		
Middle/Jr. High Activity Classes	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0		
High	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0		
High Activity Classes	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0		
Combination	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0		
Combination Activity Classes	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0		

Note: The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education has set specific limits on the maximum size of classes at various grade levels. The maximum enrollment in grades K-3 is 26 students and maximum enrollment in grades 4-12 is 33 students. These limits do not apply to activity classes such as physical education, chorus, band, and other classes without maximum enrollment standards. Therefore, these classes are included only as separate line items.

BELLE CHASSE ACADEMY, INC.

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING STATEWIDE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING STATEWIDE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Board of Directors of **Belle Chasse Academy, Inc.** and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the year ended June 30, 2023. **Belle Chasse Academy, Inc. (BCA)** management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

BCA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the year ended June 30, 2023. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

1) Written Policies and Procedures

- A. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
 - Budgeting, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
 No exceptions were noted.
 - ii. **Purchasing**, including (1) how purchases are initiated, (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list, (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders, (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law, and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.

iii. *Disbursements*, including processing, reviewing, and approving.

No exceptions were noted.

iv. **Receipts/Collections**, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).

No exceptions were noted.

v. **Payroll/Personnel**, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.

No exceptions were noted.

vi. *Contracting*, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.

No exceptions were noted.

vii. *Travel and Expense Reimbursement*, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.

No exceptions were noted.

viii. *Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards, if applicable)*, including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).

No exceptions were noted.

ix. *Ethics*, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.

x. **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.

This procedure is not applicable to BCA, a nonprofit organization.

xi. Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.

No exceptions were noted.

xii. **Prevention of Sexual Harassment**, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

No exceptions were noted.

2) Board or Finance Committee

- A. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and
 - i. Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.

No exceptions were noted.

ii. For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget- to-actual, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds. Alternatively, for those entities reporting on the not-for-profit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.

No exceptions were noted.

iii. For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the

minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.

No exceptions were noted.

iv. Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

No exceptions were noted.

3) Bank Reconciliations

- A. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:
 - Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated or electronically logged);

No exceptions were noted.

- ii. Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and
 - No exceptions were noted.
- iii. Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

No exceptions were noted.

4) Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

- A. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).
- B. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (e.g., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if there are no written policies or procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that

i. Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers;

No exceptions were noted.

ii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit;

No exceptions were noted.

iii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit; and

No exceptions were noted.

iv. The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.

No exceptions were noted.

C. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe that the bond or insurance policy for theft was in force during the fiscal period.

No exceptions were noted.

- D. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). Alternatively, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc. Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:
 - i. Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.

No exceptions were noted.

ii. Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.

iii. Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.

No exceptions were noted.

iv. Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).

No exceptions were noted.

v. Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

No exceptions were noted.

5) Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

- A. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).
- B. For each location selected under procedure #5A above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that
 - i. At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;

No exceptions were noted.

ii. At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;

No exceptions were noted.

iii. The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files;

No exceptions were noted.

iv. Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments; and

v. Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.

No exceptions were noted.

- C. For each location selected under procedure #5A above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction, and
 - i. Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity, and

No exceptions were noted.

ii. Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under procedure #5B above, as applicable.

No exceptions were noted.

D. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A, randomly select 5 non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than 5) and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy, and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy. Note: If no electronic payments were made from the main operating account during the month selected the practitioner should select an alternative month and/or account for testing that does include electronic disbursements.

6) Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/Purchase Cards (Cards)

A. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and purchase cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.

- B. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement). Obtain supporting documentation, and
 - i. Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card

purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved) by someone other than the authorized card holder (those instances requiring such approval that may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials, such as the mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality, should not be reported); and

No exceptions were noted.

ii. Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.

No exceptions were noted.

C. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under procedure #7B above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (e.g., each card should have 10 transactions subject to inspection). For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and observe whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

No exceptions were noted.

7) Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected
 - i. If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov);

No exceptions were noted.

ii. If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;

iii. Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by Written Policies and Procedures procedure #1A(vii); and

No exceptions were noted.

iv. Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

No exceptions were noted.

8) Contracts

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. *Alternatively, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list.* Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and
 - i. Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law;

No exceptions were noted.

ii. Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter);

No exceptions were noted.

iii. If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment, the documented approval); and

No exceptions were noted.

iv. Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

9) Payroll and Personnel

- A. Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.
- B. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under procedure #9A above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and
 - i. Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory);

No exceptions were noted.

ii. Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials;

No exceptions were noted.

iii. Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records; and

No exceptions were noted.

iv. Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.

No exceptions were noted.

C. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials and obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee's or official's cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee's or official's authorized pay rates in the employee's or official's personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.

No exceptions were noted.

D. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

10) Ethics

- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A obtain ethics documentation from management, and
 - i. Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170; and

No exceptions were noted.

ii. Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.

No exceptions were noted.

B. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

No exceptions were noted.

11) Debt Service

A. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.

This procedure is not applicable to BCA, a nonprofit organization.

B. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

This procedure is not applicable to BCA, a nonprofit organization.

12) Fraud Notice

A. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the

- misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled as required by R.S. 24:523.
- B. Observe that the entity has posted, on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

No exceptions were noted.

13) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

- A. Perform the following procedures, verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."
 - i. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government's local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.

No exceptions were noted.

ii. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.

No exceptions were noted.

Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.

No exceptions were noted.

B. Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees obtained in procedure #9C. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.

14) Prevention of Sexual Harassment

- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:343. *No exceptions were noted.*
- B. Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).

No exceptions were noted.

- C. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe that the report includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
 - i. Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;

No exceptions were noted.

ii. Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;

No exceptions were noted.

iii. Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;

No exceptions were noted.

iv. Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and

No exceptions were noted.

v. Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

No exceptions were noted.

We were engaged by the Organization to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion.

Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the LLA as a public document.

New Orleans, Louisiana

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