



**ASSOCIATION OF CHARTER SCHOOL  
EDUCATION SERVICES**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT  
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2025  
With Comparative Totals for 2024**

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**ASSOCIATION OF CHARTER SCHOOL EDUCATION SERVICES**  
**OFFICIAL ROSTER**  
**As of June 30, 2025**

<b>Executive Committee</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Kimberly Ritterhouse	President	Red River Valley Charter School
Stephanie Becker	Vice President	Amy Biehl High School
Jon Orris	Secretary	Roots and Wings Community School
Eric Ahner	Treasurer	J. Paul Taylor Academy
Jesus Moncada	Member at Large	Christine Duncan Heritage Academy
Anna Phillips	Member at Large	Archer Academy of Accelerated Learning
Noel Nunez	Member at Large	Deming Cesar Chavez Charter High School
Bridget Barrett	Member at Large	SAMS Academy
Valery Ratliff-Parker	Ex Officio Member	Public Charter Schools of NM

<b>Principal Administrative Officials</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>
Christy Takacs	Executive Director
Katherine Moore	Director of Finance
Tammy West	Procurement Manager

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

To the Board of Directors and Management of  
Association of Charter School Education Services  
and Mr. Joseph M. Maestas, PE, CFE, New Mexico State Auditor

**Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Association of Charter School Education Services ("ACES"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the ACES' 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 business-type activities of ACES, as of June 30, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof, for the year ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Basis of Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the ACES, 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 opinion.

**Emphasis of Matter—Adoption of New Accounting Guidance**

As discussed in Note 2(C) to the financial statements, ACES adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) 101, *Compensated Absences*, which is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

**Report on Prior Year Comparative Information**

The prior year comparative information has been derived from the ACES' 2024 financial statements. We have previously audited ACES' 2024 financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in our report dated September 13, 2024. In our opinion, the comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

**Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, 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 ACES' 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 Responsibility 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 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 GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether

due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the ACES' 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 ACES' 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 as listed in the table of contents 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 September 23, 2025 on our consideration of ACES' 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 the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering ACES' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hinkle & Landers, P.C." in a cursive, flowing script.

Hinkle + Landers, P.C.  
Albuquerque, NM  
September 23, 2025

**ASSOCIATION OF CHARTER SCHOOL EDUCATION SERVICES**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
**As of and For the Year Ended June 30, 2025, With Comparative Totals for 2024**

**Introduction**

Management of the Association of Charter School Education Services (ACES) offers readers of ACES' financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of ACES for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. Since the information is designed to focus on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently known facts, it should be read in conjunction with ACES' basic financial statements beginning on page 11.

**Financial Highlights**

Key events for the fiscal year 2025 are:

The assets of ACES exceeded liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$476,820 (total net position). Total net position is unrestricted.

ACES' total reported net position increased by \$186,117 compared to the prior year increase in net position of \$155,591.

As of June 30, 2025, ACES had total assets of \$2,975,250 all of which are classified as current. Current liabilities include \$2,302,592 in accounts payable, \$28,912 in accrued payroll liabilities, and \$166,926 in unearned revenues. ACES did not have any noncurrent liabilities as of year-end.

**Overview of the Financial Statements**

ACES is a special purpose government agency engaged only in business-type activities. Therefore, in accordance with GASB 34, ACES' financial statements are comprised of four components:

1. Independent Auditor's Report
2. Management's Discussion and Analysis (Required Supplementary Information)
3. Basic Financial Statements
4. Other Information, which includes certain required supplementary information, other supplementary information and other required NM State Auditor schedules.

These financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of ACES' finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

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**The Statement of Net Position** presents information on ACES' assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of ACES is improving or deteriorating.

**The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position** presents information showing how ACES' net position changed during the most recent Fiscal Year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in cash flows only in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and accounts payable).

**The Statement of Cash Flows** presents information on how ACES' cash was used. It shows net cash used by or provided by operating activities, capital financing activities, noncapital financing activities and investing activities. It also reconciles beginning cash balances to ending cash balances.

**The Notes to the Financial Statements** provide additional information that explains the numbers provided in the financial statements.

**Proprietary Fund Financial Analysis—Broad Overview of Operations**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of ACES, a positive net position balance (total assets exceeding total liabilities) of \$476,820 is reported as of the year ended, June 30, 2025, compared to \$290,703 reported as of June 30, 2024. The entire balance of net position is unrestricted for both years respectively.

**The following is a summary of the Statement of Net Position:**

The net position of the ACES' business-type activities increased by \$186,117 or 64.02% during the year, from \$290,703 as of June 30, 2024 to \$476,820 as of June 30, 2025, indicating a significant improvement in ACES' financial condition. ACES' total net position is classified as unrestricted for both years respectively.

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	2025	2024	Variance
Assets:			
Cash	\$ 274,463	335,531	(61,068)
Accounts Receivable-Trade	2,333,046	1,007,549	1,325,497
Certificate of Deposit	200,815	-	200,815
Prepaid Expense	166,926	-	166,926
Total Assets	<u>\$ 2,975,250</u>	<u>1,343,080</u>	<u>1,632,170</u>
Liabilities:			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable-Trade	\$ 2,302,592	1,021,756	(1,280,836)
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	28,912	30,621	1,709
Unearned Revenue	166,926	-	166,926
Total Liabilities:	<u>2,498,430</u>	<u>1,052,377</u>	<u>(1,112,201)</u>
Net Position:			
Unrestricted	476,820	290,703	186,117
Total Net Position	<u>476,820</u>	<u>290,703</u>	<u>186,117</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Position	<u>\$ 2,975,250</u>	<u>1,343,080</u>	<u>1,632,170</u>

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The following table shows the revenues and expenses for ACES for the current and prior fiscal year:

	2025	2024	Variance
Operating Revenues			
Procurement	\$ 19,005,670	12,775,177	6,230,493
Cadre Services	340,158	418,426	(78,268)
Related Services	3,060,326	1,329,309	1,731,017
In-Kind Contributions (Donated Facilities)	12,000	12,000	-
Discounts and Rebates	110,297	87,291	23,006
Total Revenues	<u>22,528,451</u>	<u>14,622,203</u>	<u>7,883,242</u>
Operating Expenses			
Cost of Services			
Procurement	18,723,413	12,508,520	6,214,893
Cadre Services	302,859	381,121	(78,262)
Related Services	2,993,833	1,309,776	1,684,057
Total Cost of Services	<u>22,020,105</u>	<u>14,199,417</u>	<u>7,820,688</u>
Gross Profit	508,346	422,786	85,560
Administration Expenses			
Salaries and Wages	197,109	182,463	14,646
Consulting Services	41,052	-	41,052
Computer and Internet	21,616	22,374	(758)
Payroll Taxes	17,254	16,269	985
Rent	12,000	12,000	-
Employee Benefits	11,826	11,826	-
Legal/Accounting Services	11,810	11,301	509
Office Expense	5,347	4,415	932
Insurance-Property and Liability	2,989	3,824	(835)
Bank Fees	1,565	1,922	(357)
Postage and Freight	478	803	(325)
Total Expenses	<u>323,046</u>	<u>267,197</u>	<u>55,849</u>
Operating Income	185,300	155,589	29,711
Total Net Position, Beginning of Year	<u>290,703</u>	<u>135,112</u>	<u>155,591</u>
Total Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$ 476,820</u>	<u>290,703</u>	<u>186,117</u>

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Total business-type activities generated operating revenues of \$22,528,451 while cost of services totaled \$22,020,105 for the year ended June 30, 2025, resulting in a gross profit of \$508,346. Administrative expenses totaled \$323,046 and non-operating revenues were \$817 for the year ended June 30, 2025. All of these factors resulted in an increase in net position of \$186,117. Comparatively, operating revenues were \$14,622,203 and cost of services totaled \$14,199,417 resulting in gross profit of \$422,786 for the year ended June 30, 2024. Administrative expenses were \$267,197 and non-operating revenues totaled \$2 resulting in an increase in net position of \$155,591 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Key elements of the increase in net position of compared to prior year include:

The increase in net position can be attributed to the expansion of our vendor base and the inclusion of new schools, as well as a general increase in the services we offer.

**Fiscal Year 2025 Budgetary Highlights**

At the beginning of fiscal year 2025, an initial budget was presented to ACES' Executive Committee of the Board for their review and approval. There were no budget adjustments made for the year ended June 30, 2025.

The original budget projected total revenues of \$16,587,350. Original budgeted expenses were projected to be \$16,481,280 and there were no adjustments during the year.

The following is a summary of the final budget as compared to actual activity for the period ending June 30, 2025.

	Final Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues	\$ 16,587,350	22,528,451	5,941,101
Cost of Services	16,124,570	22,020,105	(5,895,535)
Administrative Expenses	356,710	323,046	33,664
Non-Operating Income	-	817	817
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	\$ 106,070	186,117	80,047

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**Capital Improvements and Asset Management**

ACES capitalizes property and equipment with a historical cost of \$5,000 and an estimated useful life of greater than one year, however ACES did not maintain any capital assets as of June 30, 2025.

**Financial Outlook for Next Year**

ACES approved budget for fiscal year 2026 anticipates \$22,935,210 in total revenues. Cost of services are projected to be \$22,360,383 and total expenses are expected to be \$22,854,463. Due to management efforts to increase services and improve profit margins, gross profit is expected to total of \$574,827, an approximate 13% increase over fiscal year 2025.

**Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Association of Charter School Education Services' finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Christy Takacs, Executive Director ([ed@nmaces.org](mailto:ed@nmaces.org), (575)-468-2237 ext.1), or Katherine Moore, Director of Finance ([businessoffice@nmaces.org](mailto:businessoffice@nmaces.org), (575)-468-2237 ext.2). The address is P.O. Box 16326, Albuquerque, NM 87191.

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**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**(PROPRIETARY FUND)**  
**As of June 30, 2025, With Comparative Totals for 2024**

<b>ASSETS</b>	2025	2024
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 274,463	335,531
Accounts Receivable-Trade (Member Schools)	2,333,046	1,007,549
Certificate of Deposit	200,815	-
Prepaid Expenses	166,926	-
Total Current Assets	<u>2,975,250</u>	<u>1,343,080</u>
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 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable-Trade	\$ 2,302,592	1,021,756
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	28,912	30,621
Unearned Revenue	166,926	-
Total Current Liabilities	<u>2,498,430</u>	<u>1,052,377</u>
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 <b>NET POSITION</b>		
Unrestricted	<u>476,820</u>	<u>290,703</u>
Total Net Position	<u>476,820</u>	<u>290,703</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Position	<u>\$ 2,975,250</u>	<u>1,343,080</u>

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The accompanying notes are integral to these financial statements

**ASSOCIATION OF CHARTER SCHOOL EDUCATION SERVICES**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**(PROPRIETARY FUND)**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2025, With Comparative Totals for 2024**

	2025	2024
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>		
Procurement	\$ 19,005,670	12,775,177
Related Services	3,060,326	1,329,309
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Discounts and Rebates	110,297	87,291
In-Kind Contributions	12,000	12,000
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<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
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Cadre Services	302,859	381,121
Total Cost of Services	22,020,105	14,199,417
Gross Profit	508,346	422,786
<b>ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES</b>		
Salaries and Wages	197,109	182,463
Consulting Services	41,052	-
Computer and Internet	21,616	22,374
Payroll Taxes	17,254	16,269
In-Kind Rent (Donated Facilities)	12,000	12,000
Employee Benefits	11,826	11,826
Legal/Accounting Services	11,810	11,301
Office Expense	5,347	4,415
Insurance-Property and Liability	2,989	3,824
Bank Fees	1,565	1,922
Postage and Freight	478	803
Total Expenses	323,046	267,197
Operating Income	185,300	155,589
Non-Operating Revenues		
Interest Income	817	2
Total Non-Operating Revenues	817	2
Change in Net Position	186,117	155,591
Net Position, Beginning of Year	290,703	135,112
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 476,820	290,703

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**ASSOCIATION OF CHARTER SCHOOL EDUCATION SERVICES**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**(PROPRIETARY FUND)**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2025, With Comparative Totals for 2024**

	2025	2024
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Receipts from Members	\$ 21,202,954	14,742,511
Payments to Employees	(421,319)	(429,263)
Payments to Suppliers and Contractors	(20,642,705)	(14,164,558)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	138,930	148,690
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchases of Certificates of Deposit	(200,815)	
Interest Income	817	2
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	(199,998)	2
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(61,068)	148,692
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	335,531	186,839
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 274,463	335,531
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash</b>		
<b>Provided/(used) by Operating Activities:</b>		
Operating Income	\$ 185,300	155,589
<b>Change in Assets and Liabilities:</b>		
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable-Trade	(1,325,497)	211,347
(Increase) Decrease Prepaid Expenses	(166,926)	1,270
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	1,280,836	(209,863)
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Payroll and Benefits	(1,709)	(9,653)
Increase (Decrease) in Unearned Revenue	166,926	-
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$ 138,930	148,690
<b><u>Supplementary Information</u></b>		
Donated Facilities	\$ 12,000	12,000

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**NOTE 1—NATURE OF BUSINESS AND REPORTING ENTITY**

**Nature of Operations—Purpose**

**Organization/Joint Powers Agreement**

The Association of Charter School Education Services (ACES) was formed on July 3, 2013, by members of charter schools by entering into a Joint Powers Agreement to Establish an Educational Cooperative, as approved by the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA). The Joint Powers Agreement established a legal public entity. As of June 30, 2025, there were 95 charter school members. ACES provides a wide range of educational services including state-wide cooperative purchasing, services such as business management, student management, technology assistance, teacher and administration training and other professional service, and general consulting.

**Membership**

ACES is an organization comprised of New Mexico charter schools. ACES is a membership organization that is open to New Mexico charter schools. Members may be added or deleted pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreement. The governance of ACES is vested in the JPA Membership Board which is comprised of the Chief Executive Officer of each charter school member.

ACES' financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). The more significant accounting policies established by GAAP and used by ACES are discussed below.

**Financial Reporting Entity**

The financial reporting entity as defined by GASB 14 as amended by GASB Statements 39, 61, 80, and 90 as well as other applicable GASB Statements, consists of the primary government, organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The definition of the reporting entity is based primarily on the notion of financial accountability as the cornerstone of all reporting in governments.

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A primary government is any state or general-purpose local government consisting of all the organizations that make up its legal entity. All funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that are not legally separate are, for financial reporting purposes, part of the primary government, the ACES is a local government unit and is the primary government for the financial presentation.

ACES does not have any component units during the year ended June 30, 2025. In addition, ACES has no tax abatement agreements. GASB 77 disclosures are not required.

**NOTE 2—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted (U.S. GAAP) in the United States of America as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing U.S. GAAP for state and local government accounting and financial reporting principles.

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

**Basis of Presentation—Fund Financial Statements**

ACES' activities are reported as business-type activities. As a result, the financial statements are comprised of proprietary fund financial statements.

**Measurement Focus**

The proprietary fund is accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting using the "economic resources" measurement focus. Accordingly, all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources (whether current or noncurrent) are included on the Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position present operating revenues and expenses, and non-operating revenues and expenses as applicable, which represent increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total Net Position. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period in which they are earned while expenses are recognized in the period in which the liability is incurred. The generally accepted accounting principles applicable are those similar to businesses in the private sector. The following is a description of the proprietary funds, which is an Enterprise Fund.

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**Enterprise Fund**

The “Operating Fund” is an enterprise fund (proprietary fund) that is used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

**Operating and Non-Operating Items**

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *non-operating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund’s principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of ACES are procurement, cadre services, administrative services and other related program generated from its services. Operating expenses include the cost of services, and administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

**Reclassifications**

Certain reclassifications may have been made to the 2024 financial statement information to conform to the current year presentation.

**B—Use of Estimates in Preparation of Financial Statements**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures for amounts associated with assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the financial statement date and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant changes in the near term that could have a material effect on the financial statements include the estimated valuation of in-kind facilities. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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**C—Recently issued and Adopted Accounting Standard**

**GASB Statement No. 101 (GASB 101), Compensated Absences**

In June 2022, GASB issued Statement No. 101, which establishes a unified model for recognizing and measuring liabilities for compensated absences. A liability is recognized for leave attributable to past services that accumulates and is more likely than not to be used or paid/settled; certain salary-related payments directly and incrementally associated with such payments (for example, employer payroll taxes) are included in measurement. The liability is measured using pay rates in effect at the financial statement date. Changes adopted at transition are reported as a change in accounting principle. GASB 101 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023.

There was no material impact on the ACES's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2025 as a result of this implementation.

**GASB Statement No. 102 (GASB 102), Certain Risk Disclosures**

In October 2023, GASB issued GASB 102, Certain Risk Disclosures, which requires disclosure of vulnerabilities due to certain concentrations or constraints when all disclosure criteria are met as of the date the financial statements are issued: (a) the concentration or constraint is known to the government before issuance; (b) it makes the reporting unit vulnerable to the risk of a substantial impact; and (c) an event or events associated with it have occurred, have begun to occur, or are more likely than not to begin within 12 months of the issuance date. Required disclosures describe the concentration/constraint, the event(s) that have occurred or begun, and mitigation actions taken prior to issuance. Governments must also assess these criteria for any reporting unit that reports a liability for revenue debt. GASB 102 is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024. Management determined that no disclosures were required under GASB 102 as of the issuance date.

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**D—Assets, Deferred Outflow of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflow of Resources, Net Position, Revenues and Expenses**

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, the ACES includes bank accounts as cash and cash equivalents. ACES maintains its cash balances with local financial institutions. The amounts on deposit with these institutions may at times exceed the \$250,000 of insurance available to individual depositors through the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

**Accounts Receivable — Trade (Member Schools)**

All receivables are deemed fully collectible, and an allowance for uncollectible accounts has not been established. All amounts are deemed collectible within one year of June 30, 2025. ACES uses the direct write-off method when necessary. Historically, these amounts have not been material to the financial statements as a whole.

**Prepaid Expenses**

During FY25, ACES made payments to vendors for services to be provided to schools in FY26. These payments are recorded as prepaid expenses and will be recognized as expenses in FY26 when the related services are delivered.

**Property, Equipment and Depreciation**

ACES has established its capitalization policy at \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Items with a cost of less than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life of less than one year are expensed in the year of acquisition. Repairs and maintenance expenses are charged to operations when incurred and major improvements and replacements are capitalized. ACES records assets (such as, furniture and equipment, including software, building and improvements, land, and ancillary equipment) purchased at cost or, if contributed, at fair market value at the date of donation.

ACES has no capitalized assets and has not had any since its inception.

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**Unearned Revenues**

During FY25, ACES received payments from schools for services to be provided in FY26. These amounts are recorded as unearned revenues and will be recognized as revenue in FY26 as the related services are provided.

**Income Taxes**

ACES is exempt from filing tax returns based on the New Mexico Attorney General and Department of Finance and Administration's determination that ACES is a governmental entity.

**Net Position Classification**

Net position is the difference between assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflow of resources. Net position is reported as restricted when there are legal limitations imposed on their use by external restrictions by other governments, creditors or grantors.

**E—Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

ACES prepared a budget for internal use; however, it is not required to provide a legally adopted budget with a government agency in New Mexico and is not presented in these financial statements.

Budgets for revenues and most expenses are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The budget is presented on the accrual basis of accounting and capital assets over \$5,000 (if applicable) are not included in the budget.

The Executive Director prepares an overall budget by program for ACES which is adopted by the Executive Committee. This budget includes expected receipts and expenditures of the Operating Fund. ACES is required to prepare budgets for each program. The budgets, used by ACES to monitor each project, are also used for comparisons in the accompanying financial statements. ACES approves its budget by total revenue and expenses by program.

**F— Encumbrances**

ACES does not use encumbrance accounting.

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**G—Revenue Recognition**

The principal operating revenues of ACES are group purchasing, ancillary services, administrative services and other related services generated from its services. Operating expenses include the cost of sales and services, as well as administrative expenses.

ACES accounts for its revenue under GASB 33. The following summarizes the revenue recognition policies for major classifications of revenue:

- **Contract Revenue**—ACES has contracted with charter schools for services. These contract revenues are recorded at the time the services are provided or products have been delivered. Specifically, when ACES has provided the service in compliance with the general and specific requirements of the contract, both the receivable and offsetting contract revenue are recorded.

**H—Donated Property, Materials and Services**

Donations of property, materials and services are recorded as contributions at fair value at the date of donation. Donated services are recognized as contributions at their estimated fair value if the services (a) create or enhance nonfinancial assets or (b) require specialized skills, are performed by people with those skills, and would otherwise be purchased by ACES.

Nonfinancial Asset	2025	2024	Fair Value Technique
Donated Facilities	\$ 12,000	12,000	1

\* Legend at Fair Value Techniques

1. Estimated prices for identical or similar rental facilities if purchased in the region.

**I—Compensated Absences Payable**

Under the provisions of the New Mexico Healthy Workplaces Act and ACES's employee handbook, eligible employees begin accruing paid sick and safe leave (PSSL) on their first day of employment at a rate of one hour for every 30 hours worked. Accrual is unlimited; however, employees may use no more than 64 hours of accrued PSSL per benefit year, defined as the period from July 1 to June 30.

Due to the annual usage cap of 64 hours and the policy that unused leave is not paid upon separation, ACES did not record a liability for paid sick and safe leave as of June 30, 2025 or 2024. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 101, compensated absences are accrued

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only when leave is both (a) attributable to services already rendered and (b) expected to be used. Given the 64-hour annual usage cap and no payout at termination, no liability was recorded as of June 30, 2025.

**NOTE 3—CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

**Collateralization**

In accordance with Section 6-10-17, NMSA 1978 Compilation, bank deposits of public monies are required to be collateralized. Pledged collateral is required in amounts, in aggregate, to equal one-half of the amount of uninsured public money in each account during the fiscal year. As of June 30, 2025 and 2024, all of ACES' bank balances were fully insured and collateralized.

**Securities**

Securities which are obligations of the state of New Mexico, its agencies, institutions, counties, or municipalities or other subdivisions are accepted at par value; all other securities are accepted at market value. No security is required for the deposit of public money that is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, or the National Credit Union Administration. All of ACES' cash balances consist of demand deposits.

**Custodial Credit Risk—Deposits**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, ACES' deposits may not be returned to it. ACES' deposit policy is to collateralize one-half of the uninsured public money in each account. As of June 30, 2025, a portion of ACES' bank balances was uninsured but collateralized by securities held by the pledging institution or its agent, not in ACES' name. Such balances are exposed to custodial credit risk under GASB 40.

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ACES' bank accounts were collateralized as follows:

Location	Balance Per Depository	Book Balance
Bank of Albuquerque - Checking	\$ 376,531	272,757
Bank of Albuquerque - Savings *	1,706	1,706
Bank of Albuquerque - 7 mo CD	200,815	200,815
Total Amount of Deposit in Bank	\$ 579,052	
FDIC Coverage	(250,000)	
Total Uninsured Public Funds	\$ 329,052	
50% Collateral Requirement (Section 6-10-17 NMSA 1978)	\$ 164,526	
Uninsured and Uncollateralized		\$ 164,526
Uninsured, collateral held by the pledging institutions or by its trust department or agent, but not in the name of the ACES.		\$ 914,273
Pledging Excess		\$ 749,747

\* Interest-Bearing Account

Name of Depository	Description of Pledged Collateral	Maturity	Cusip Number	Fair Market Value June 30, 2025
Federal Home Loan Bank Topeka	FN AB9823	7/1/2028	31417G4H6	\$ 82,756
Federal Home Loan Bank Topeka	FN CB1966	10/1/2035	3140QMFG4	257,806
Federal Home Loan Bank Topeka	FN MA4154	11/25/2049	31418DTL6	180,159
Federal Home Loan Bank Topeka	FNR 2020-60 PA	11/25/2049	3136BBUX8	232,866
Federal Home Loan Bank Topeka	FNR 2020-60 PA	4/25/2040	3136BBUX8	116,433
Federal Home Loan Bank Topeka	FHR 4966 HA	4/25/2040	3137FRW49	44,253
	Total Pledged Collateral			\$ 914,273

**NOTE 4— CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT**

Certificate of deposit as of June 30 was as follows:

Type	2025	2024
Certificate of Deposit, Original Maturity 7 Months, Interest 3.10%	\$ 200,815	-
Total	\$ 200,815	-

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**NOTE 5—ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE — TRADE (MEMBER SCHOOLS)**

Accounts receivable trade, primarily consist of amounts due from schools for products delivered and services performed under joint purchasing agreements during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. These receivables arise from the ACES' ordinary course of business activities, which involve providing products and services to schools. Receivables are recognized in accordance with the ACES' revenue recognition policy, which recognizes revenue when control of the products or services has transferred to the customer.

**NOTE 6—PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT AND DEPRECIATION**

As of the year ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, ACES had no property and equipment to capitalize and depreciate.

**NOTE 7—RETIREMENT PLAN AND RETIREE HEALTH CARE PLAN**

ACES does not participate in the Education Retirement Board (ERB) and does not contribute to the New Mexico Retiree Health Care Plan (RHCP).

**NOTE 8—ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - TRADE**

Accounts payable represent amounts owed by ACES to its suppliers and vendors for goods and services received during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. These payables arise from the ACES' ordinary course of business operations, including procurement, supplies, and various services required to support its activities.

**NOTE 9—ACCRUED PAYROLL AND BENEFITS**

Accrued payroll as of June 30, is as follows:

Type	2025	2024
Accrued Payroll	\$ 23,086	22,657
Accrued Bonus	-	2,134
Accrued Payroll Taxes	5,826	5,830
Total	<u>\$ 28,912</u>	<u>30,621</u>

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**NOTE 10—JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT**

A Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) to establish New Mexico Charter School Educational Service Association was approved by the Department of Finance and Administration on July 3, 2014.

The following are participants as of June 30, 2025:

21st Century Public Academy	(The) MASTERS Program
(The) Academy for Technology and the Classics	Middle College High School
ACE Leadership High School	Mission Achievement and Success Charter School 1.0
ACES Technical Charter School 1.0	Monte del Sol Charter School
Albuquerque Aviation Academy (formerly known as SAMS)	The Montessori Academy
Albuquerque Bilingual Academy	Montessori of the Rio Grande Charter School
Albuquerque Charter Academy	Moreno Valley Preparatory
Albuquerque Collegiate Charter School	Mosaic Academy
Albuquerque Institute of Mathematics and Science at UNM	Mountain Mahogany Community School
Albuquerque School of Excellence	New America School-Las Cruces
Albuquerque Sign Language Academy	New America School-New Mexico
Albuquerque Talent Development Academy	New Mexico Academy for the Media Arts
Aldo Leopold Charter School	New Mexico Connections Academy
Alice King Community School	New Mexico International School
Alma d'Arte Charter High School	New Mexico School for the Arts
Altura Preparatory School	North Valley Academy Charter School
Amy Biehl High School	Northpoint Charter School
Anansi Charter School	Pecos Cyber Academy
Archer Academy of Accelerated Learning	Public Academy for Performing Arts
(The) ASK Academy	Raíces del Saber Xinachtli Community School
Cesar Chavez Community School	Red River Valley Charter School
Cien Aguas International School	Rio Gallinas School of Ecology and the Arts
Coral Community Charter School	Rio Grande Academy of Fine Arts
Corrales International School	Robert F. Kennedy Charter School
Cottonwood Classical Preparatory School	Roots and Wings Community School
Cottonwood Valley Charter School	Sacramento School of Engineering and Science
Deming Cesar Chavez Charter High School	San Diego Riverside Charter School
Digital Arts and Technology Academy	Sandoval Academy of Bilingual Education
Dził Dít'ooí School of Empowerment Action and Perseverance (DEAP)	Sendero School of Academics and Career Advancement
East Mountain	Sidney Gutierrez School
El Camino Real Academy	Siembra Leadership High School
Estancia Valley Classical Academy	Six Directions Indigenous School
Explore Academy Albuquerque	Solare Collegiate Charter School
Explore Academy-Las Cruces	South Valley Academy
Explore Academy-Rio Rancho	South Valley Preparatory School
Gilbert L. Sena Charter High School	Sun Mountain Community School
Gordon Bernell Charter School	Taos Academy
(The) GREAT Academy	Taos Charter School
Health Leadership High School	Taos Integrated School of the Arts
Horizon Academy West	Taos International School
Hózhó Academy	Technology Leadership High School
(The) International School at Mesa del Sol	THRIVE Community School
J. Paul Taylor Academy	Tierra Adentro of NM: The School of Academics, Arts, and Artesanía
Jefferson Montessori Academy	Tierra Encantada Charter School
La Academia de Esperanza	Turquoise Trail Charter School
La Academia Dolores Huerta	Vista Grande High School
McCurdy Charter School	Voz Collegiate Preparatory Charter School
Mark Armijo Academy	

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**Party Responsible for Operations**

New Mexico Charter School Educational Service Association.

**Description**

The JPA establishes ACES in order to pool efforts and resources to bring additional, necessary educational services and tangible personal property to charter school at affordable costs.

**Effective**

July 3, 2013, until rescinded or terminated by members.

**Total Estimated Amount of Projects Applicable to the Agency**

Total revenue \$22,528,451.

**Amount the Agency Contributed in Current Fiscal Year**

None.

**Audit Responsibility**

New Mexico Charter School Educational Service Association.

**Revenues and Expenditures**

Reported to the Office of the State Auditor.

**NOTE 11—RISK MANAGEMENT AND LITIGATION**

ACES is insured through purchase of commercial insurance policies for general liability and purchases Worker's Compensation Insurance from the New Mexico Self Insurer's Fund. Worker's Compensation claims are handled by the New Mexico Self Insurer's Fund.

**NOTE 12—COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES, AND SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events are events or transactions that occur after the statement of net position date but before the financial statements are issued. ACES recognizes in the financial statements the effects of all subsequent events that provide additional evidence about conditions that existed at the date of the statement of net position, including the estimates inherent in the process of preparing the financial statements. ACES does not recognize in the financial statements subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that did not exist at the date of the statement of net position but arose after the statement of net position date and before financial statements are available to be issued.

**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**

To the Board of Directors and Management of  
Association of Charter School Education Services  
and  
Mr. Joseph M. Maestas, PE, CFE, New Mexico State Auditor

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 business type activities of the Association of Charter School Education Services (ACES) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise ACES' basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 23, 2025.

**Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, of the financial statements, we considered ACES' 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 ACES' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of ACES' 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.

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

September 23, 2025

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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

**Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether ACES' financial statements are free of 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 result 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.



Hinkle + Landers, PC  
Albuquerque, NM  
September 23, 2025

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
**ASSOCIATION OF CHARTER SCHOOL EDUCATION SERVICES**  
**SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2025**

Type of Auditor's Report Issued

**Unmodified**

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

a. Material weakness(es) identified?

☐ Yes

☒ No

b. Significant deficiencies identified

that are not considered material weakness(es)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

c. Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted?

☐ Yes

☒ No

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
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**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2025**

Findings				Type of Finding
Reference #	Description	Current or Prior Year Finding	Status of Findings	*
Prior Year Findings				
None				
Current Year Findings				
None				

\* Legend for Type of Findings

- A. Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
- B. Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
- C. Finding that Does Not Rise to the Level of a Significant Deficiency (Other Matters)  
Involving Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
- D. Other Non-compliance Required to Reported per Section 12-6-5 NMSA 1978

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ASSOCIATION OF CHARTER SCHOOL EDUCATION SERVICES  
EXIT CONFERENCE  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2025**

An exit conference was held in a closed session on September 22, 2025, by video conference. In attendance were the following:

**Association of Charter School Education Services**

Kimberly Ritterhouse	ACES President
Eric Ahner	Treasurer
Christy Takacs	Executive Director
Katherine Moore	Director of Finance

**Hinkle + Landers, PC**

Farley Vener, CPA, CFE, CGMA	President & Managing Shareholder
Patrycja Kempa, CPA	Audit Manager

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial statements of ACES as of June 30, 2025, were substantially prepared with the assistance of Hinkle + Landers, PC; however, the financial statements remain the responsibility of management.