

Financial Statements and Supplementary Schedule
Together with Reports of Independent
Certified Public Accountants

ICAHN CHARTER SCHOOL 1

June 30, 2017 and 2016

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To the Board of Directors of the
Icahn Charter School 1

Report on the financial statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Icahn Charter School 1 (the “Charter School”), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management’s responsibility for the financial statements

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

Auditor’s responsibility

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

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Charter School as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other matters

Supplementary information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The Schedule of Functional Expenses is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures. These additional procedures included comparing and reconciling the information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other reporting required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report, dated October 31, 2017, on our consideration of the Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Charter School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Grant Thornton LLP

New York, New York
October 31, 2017

ICAHN CHARTER SCHOOL 1
Statements of Financial Position
As of June 30, 2017 and 2016

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,618,464	\$ 1,712,281
Grants and contracts receivable	133,020	145,199
Due from school district	157,713	89,762
Prepaid expenses	54,764	243,658
Contributions and other receivables	200,031	594,431
Other assets	10,775	6,020
Capital assets, net	<u>11,315,782</u>	<u>11,001,992</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 13,490,549</u>	<u>\$ 13,793,343</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 172,386	\$ 204,631
Accrued payroll and benefits	876,943	820,483
Due to school district	4,320	12,489
Deferred revenue	101,468	215,886
Obligation under capital leases	<u>61,214</u>	<u>45,623</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,216,331</u>	<u>1,299,112</u>
Commitments and contingencies		
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	1,994,384	1,724,881
Temporarily restricted	<u>10,279,834</u>	<u>10,769,350</u>
Total net assets	<u>12,274,218</u>	<u>12,494,231</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 13,490,549</u>	<u>\$ 13,793,343</u>

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

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Statements of Activities
For the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016

	2017			2016		
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT						
Public School District:						
Resident student enrollment	\$ 4,790,952	\$ -	\$ 4,790,952	\$ 4,509,337	\$ -	\$ 4,509,337
Student with disabilities	31,749	-	31,749	33,209	-	33,209
Grants and contracts:						
State and local	25,687	-	25,687	25,832	-	25,832
Federal - Title and IDEA	185,005	-	185,005	196,690	-	196,690
Other grants	21,669	-	21,669	74,370	-	74,370
Net assets released from restrictions	489,516	(489,516)	-	489,516	(489,516)	-
Total revenues, gains and other support	<u>5,544,578</u>	<u>(489,516)</u>	<u>5,055,062</u>	<u>5,328,954</u>	<u>(489,516)</u>	<u>4,839,438</u>
EXPENSES						
Program services:						
Regular education	4,069,010	-	4,069,010	4,054,769	-	4,054,769
Special education	113,046	-	113,046	109,246	-	109,246
Total program services	<u>4,182,056</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,182,056</u>	<u>4,164,015</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,164,015</u>
Supporting services:						
Management and general	1,102,059	-	1,102,059	1,040,637	-	1,040,637
Total operating expenses	<u>5,284,115</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,284,115</u>	<u>5,204,652</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,204,652</u>
Surplus (deficit) from school operations	260,463	(489,516)	(229,053)	124,302	(489,516)	(365,214)
OTHER REVENUE						
Contributions:						
Foundation	-	-	-	6,000	-	6,000
Corporation	-	-	-	1,000	-	1,000
Other income	9,040	-	9,040	2,935	-	2,935
Total other revenue	<u>9,040</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,040</u>	<u>9,935</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,935</u>
Change in net assets	269,503	(489,516)	(220,013)	134,237	(489,516)	(355,279)
Net assets, beginning of year	1,724,881	10,769,350	12,494,231	1,590,644	11,258,866	12,849,510
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 1,994,384</u>	<u>\$ 10,279,834</u>	<u>\$ 12,274,218</u>	<u>\$ 1,724,881</u>	<u>\$ 10,769,350</u>	<u>\$ 12,494,231</u>

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

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Statements of Cash Flows
For the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash receipts from:		
Public school district	\$ 4,676,534	\$ 4,564,917
Grants and contracts	602,736	(343,620)
Other	9,020	2,935
Cash payments for:		
Vendors	(1,148,533)	(1,326,511)
Employee salaries and benefits	<u>(3,254,931)</u>	<u>(3,499,606)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>884,826</u>	<u>(601,885)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchases of furniture, fixtures and equipment	<u>(956,926)</u>	<u>(38,716)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Capital lease payments	<u>(21,717)</u>	<u>(21,684)</u>
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(93,817)	(662,285)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>1,712,281</u>	<u>2,374,566</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 1,618,464</u>	<u>\$ 1,712,281</u>
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Equipment acquired under capital leases	<u>\$ 46,483</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Reconciliation of change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ (220,013)	\$ (355,279)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation	680,443	618,345
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Grants and contracts receivable	12,179	(129,391)
Due from school district	(67,951)	(89,762)
Prepaid expenses	188,894	(163,414)
Contributions and other receivables	394,400	(461,568)
Other assets	(4,755)	2,275
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(32,245)	38,484
Accrued payroll and benefits	56,461	(126,820)
Due to school districts	(8,169)	9,665
Deferred revenue	<u>(114,418)</u>	<u>55,580</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>\$ 884,826</u>	<u>\$ (601,885)</u>

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

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Notes to Financial Statements

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1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

The Icahn Charter School 1 (the “Charter School”) is an educational corporation formed to operate a charter school located in the City of New York, County of the Bronx. On March 20, 2001, the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York, for and on behalf of the State Education Department, granted a provisional charter valid for a term of five years, incorporating the Charter School. The charter was last renewed in 2016 for a term up through and including July 31, 2021.

The central mission of the Charter School, using the Core Knowledge curriculum developed by E.D. Hirsch, is to provide students with a rigorous academic program offered in an extended day/year setting. Students are expected to graduate armed with the skills and knowledge to participate successfully in the most rigorous academic environments and have a sense of personal and community responsibility. The Charter School is coeducational and nonsectarian and commenced instruction on September 4, 2001.

The Charter School is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code and is classified as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3).

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The Charter School prepares its financial statements on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”). The financial statement presentation conforms with U.S. GAAP for non-profit organization, which requires the classification of activities and net assets based upon the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions, as follows:

Unrestricted - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations and, therefore, may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objective of the Charter School.

Temporarily Restricted - Net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions that will be satisfied either by actions of the Charter School or the passage of time.

Permanently Restricted - Net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions stipulating that the corpus be maintained in perpetuity by the Charter School, but permit the Charter School to expend all or part of the income derived there from. At June 30, 2017 and 2016, the Charter School did not have any permanently restricted net assets.

Revenue

Revenue is recorded on the accrual basis of accounting. The Charter School derives its revenue primarily from state and local capitation from the public school districts based on student enrollment, contributions and grants.

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Revenues are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets unless use of the related assets is limited by explicit donor-imposed restrictions. Public school district revenues (state and local capitation) received from the New York City Department of Education Office of Charter Schools are recognized over the period earned. Amounts received in advance are reported as deferred revenue.

Revenue from grants and contracts is recognized as the related expenses are incurred in accordance with the terms of the respective grant or contract agreement. Amounts received in advance are reported as deferred revenues.

The Charter School records contributions of cash and other assets when an unconditional promise to give such assets is received from a donor. Contributions are recorded at the fair market value of the assets received and are classified as either unrestricted, temporarily restricted or permanently restricted, depending on whether the donor has imposed a restriction on the use of such assets.

The Charter School reports gifts of cash or other assets as temporarily restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. Contributions not expected to be received within one year are recognized as temporarily restricted support and are discounted using a credit adjusted discount rate assigned in the year the pledge originates. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Donor-restricted contributions whose restrictions are met in the same fiscal year are reported as unrestricted revenues.

Receivables

Receivables contain some level of uncertainty surrounding timing and amount of collection. As such, the carrying value of the related receivables is reduced by an appropriate allowance for uncollectible accounts. The Charter School determines its allowance by considering a number of factors, including the length of time receivables are past due, the Charter School's previous loss history, the donor's current ability to pay its obligation, and the condition of the general economy and the industry as a whole. Receivables outstanding longer than the payment terms are considered past due. As of June 30, 2017 and 2016, there was no allowance for uncollectible receivables. Contributions and other receivables as of June 30, 2017 and 2016 are expected to be collected within one year.

The Charter School writes off receivables when they are deemed to be uncollectible, and payments subsequently received on such receivables are recorded as income in the period received.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are recorded at fair value, and are comprised of highly liquid financial instruments with original maturities of three months or less at the time of purchase. Included in cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2017 and 2016 is a reserve fund of \$75,000 to cover debts in the event of the Charter School's dissolution, and a reserve fund of \$55,000 and \$48,000 for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, for the maintenance of the building.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Certain financial instruments potentially subject the Charter School to concentration of credit risk. These financial instruments consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents. The Charter School maintains its cash

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in various bank accounts, which may exceed federally insured limits at times. The Charter School has not experienced, nor does it anticipate, any losses with respect to these bank accounts.

Capital Assets

Furniture, fixtures, equipment, library and textbooks are stated at cost net of depreciation, or fair value at date of contribution, if donated. The Charter School capitalizes all property and equipment with a cost of at least \$1,000 and an estimated useful life of more than one year. Depreciation of furniture, fixtures, equipment, library, software and textbooks is computed in the month in which the assets are acquired, utilizing the straight-line basis, over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

	<u>Useful Lives</u>
Furniture and fixtures	3 years
Renovations and improvements	10 years
Building	30 years
Equipment	3-5 years
Library, software and textbooks	3 years

Taxes

The Charter School recognizes or derecognizes a tax position based on a “more likely than not” threshold. This applies to positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The Charter School evaluated its tax positions and concluded that there are no uncertain tax positions within its financial statements.

Use of Estimates

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

3. CAPITAL ASSETS, NET

At June 30, 2017 and 2016, capital assets consisted of the following:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Library, software and textbooks	\$ 283,117	\$ 283,117
Renovations and improvements	792,628	-
Building	14,685,478	14,685,478
Equipment	1,088,024	956,492
Furniture and fixtures	<u>205,272</u>	<u>177,834</u>
	17,054,519	16,102,921
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(5,738,737)</u>	<u>(5,100,929)</u>
	<u>\$ 11,315,782</u>	<u>\$ 11,001,992</u>

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Included in equipment as of June 30, 2017 and 2016 are assets acquired under capital leases at a cost of approximately \$103,000 and \$109,000 with accumulated depreciation of approximately \$43,000 and \$65,000, respectively.

Depreciation expense totaled approximately \$680,000 and \$618,000 for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Administrative Support

Legal services are provided by the Inwood Opportunity LLC, a foundation for which Carl C. Icahn serves as a trustee, at no cost to the Charter School. These amounts have not been reflected as in-kind contributions in the accompanying financial statements, as neither the Charter School nor the Company has a readily measurable or objective basis for determining such amounts.

Facilities

During 2001, the Foundation for a Greater Opportunity (the “Foundation”) (an affiliated entity) entered into a 99 year ground lease for land located at 1525 Brook Avenue, Bronx, New York with the Children’s Rescue Fund (the “Fund”). Subsequent to entering into the ground lease, the Foundation constructed a building on this land and has an operating lease with the Charter School for its use which commenced in September 2001. The original lease expired on September 1, 2011. The lease was renewed through August 31, 2021 and provides for rental payments of \$50,000 for each year of occupancy. Total rent expense for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 was approximately \$50,000.

During 2006, the Foundation entered into another 99 year ground lease for land located at 1520 Brook Avenue, Bronx, New York with the Fund. Subsequent to entering into the ground lease, the Foundation subleased the land to the New York City School Construction Authority (“SCA”) in connection with the construction of a charter public middle school. On October 24, 2006, the Foundation then entered into an agreement with the SCA to construct a charter public middle school on the subleased land. Upon completion of construction and issuance of the certificate of occupancy, title to the middle school building was transferred to the New York City Department of Education and leased back to the Foundation. Although the lease is between the Foundation and the SCA, the lease agreement designates the Charter School as the initial user of the premises. The lease will have a 30-year term and the Foundation is obligated to pay rent of \$1 per year. In accordance with the lease agreement, the Foundation concurrently entered into a use agreement with the Charter School for the use of the leased land and building for a corresponding 30-year term.

The Foundation accounted for this arrangement as an agency transaction on behalf of the Charter School as the Charter School is the ultimate beneficiary of the imputed fair value of the 30 year lease agreement. During the year ended June 30, 2009, upon receiving the building to use, the Charter School has recorded the imputed fair value of the building of approximately \$14,700,000, within capital assets and recognized temporarily restricted contributions revenue which will be amortized over the 30-year term and released from the restrictions accordingly.

Other

Certain expenses are shared amongst the seven Icahn Charter Schools (affiliated entities) and amounts may also be received on behalf of another Icahn Charter School. Shared expenses primarily related to prorated

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salaries, based on student enrollment, for administrators at the Charter School who serve in a management capacity at other Icahn Charter Schools. At June 30, 2017 and 2016, accounts payable and accrued expenses included approximately \$45,000 and \$81,000, respectively, and other receivables included approximately \$195,000 and \$515,000, respectively, pertaining to these related party transactions.

5. TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

At June 30, 2017 and 2016, temporarily restricted net assets consisted of the following:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Restricted as to purpose:		
Middle School	\$ 10,279,834	\$ 10,769,350

During the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the purpose, or by meeting the time restrictions as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Middle School	\$ 489,516	\$ 489,516

6. CONTRIBUTED SERVICES

The Charter School utilizes certain transportation and food services provided by the New York City public school system at no cost. The Charter School is unable to determine the fair value for these services, and as such this is not reflected on the accompanying financial statements.

7. CONCENTRATION OF REVENUES

The Charter School receives a majority of its revenues from the New York State Education Department through the New York City Department of Education Office of Charter Schools. The New York City Department of Education provides general operating support to the Charter School based upon the location and the number of students enrolled. Operating support provided to the Charter School by the New York City Department of Education totaled approximately \$4,823,000 and \$4,543,000 for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The Charter School is dependent upon this level of funding in order to continue its operations.

8. OBLIGATION UNDER CAPITAL LEASES

Certain long-term leases covering equipment are classified as capital leases. Accordingly, equipment is capitalized as leased property and amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. The corresponding obligation under the capital leases represents the present value of the rental payments discounted by interest rates implicit in the lease agreements.

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Annual payments due subsequent to June 30, 2017 follow:

Year Ending June 30,		
2018		\$ 22,951
2019		15,592
2020		10,336
2021		10,336
2022		<u>7,162</u>
	Total	66,377
Less: interest		<u>(5,163)</u>
		<u>\$ 61,214</u>

9. PENSION PLAN

The Charter School has a defined contribution plan (the “Plan”), administered by T-Rowe Price, for all full-time personnel. Contributions by the Charter School to the Plan totaled approximately \$68,000 and \$62,000 for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Government Agency Audits

The Charter School participates in a number of federal and state programs. These programs require that the Charter School comply with certain requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and agreements applicable to the programs in which it participates. All funds expended in connection with government grants and contracts are subject to audit by government agencies. While the ultimate liability, if any, from such audits of government contracts by government agencies is presently not determinable, it should not, in the opinion of management, have a material effect on the Charter School’s financial position or change in net assets. Accordingly, no provision for any such liability that may result has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

Litigation

The Charter School may be involved in various legal actions from time to time arising in the normal course of business. In the opinion of management, there are no matters outstanding that would have a material adverse effect on the financial statements of the Charter School.

11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Charter School evaluated its June 30, 2016 financial statements for subsequent events through October 31, 2017, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The Charter School is not aware of any subsequent events which would require recognition or disclosure in the accompanying financial statements.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

To the Board of Directors of the
Icahn Charter School 1

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of Icahn Charter School 1 (the “Charter School”), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2017, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 31, 2017.

Internal control over financial reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in the Charter School’s 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 the Charter School's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Intended purpose

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

The image shows a handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Grant Thornton LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

New York, New York
October 31, 2017

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

ICAHN CHARTER SCHOOL 1
Schedule of Functional Expenses
For the year ended June 30, 2017, with comparative totals for 2016

	Program Services			Management and General	2017 Total	2016 Total
	Regular Education	Special Education	Total			
PERSONNEL SERVICE COSTS						
Administrative staff personnel	\$ 136,781	\$ -	\$ 136,781	\$ 271,384	\$ 408,165	\$ 410,606
Instructional personnel	1,966,374	-	1,966,374	-	1,966,374	2,072,599
Non-instructional personnel	-	-	-	349,564	349,564	362,356
Total personnel service costs	2,103,155	-	2,103,155	620,948	2,724,103	2,845,561
Fringe benefits and payroll taxes	422,473	68	422,541	96,403	518,944	464,960
Retirement	51,247	-	51,247	17,098	68,345	62,266
Legal	1,355	-	1,355	411	1,766	-
Accounting/audit services	19,285	1,998	21,283	6,461	27,744	30,242
Other purchasing/professional consulting service	14,108	31,749	45,857	2,699	48,556	56,380
Building and land rent/lease	34,756	3,600	38,356	11,644	50,000	50,001
Repairs and maintenance	157,218	1,833	159,051	48,283	207,334	180,814
Insurance	37,902	-	37,902	11,506	49,408	56,163
Utilities	78,266	7,707	85,973	26,099	112,072	97,406
Supplies/material	114,241	6,877	121,118	-	121,118	139,040
Equipment/furnishing	19,248	-	19,248	2,635	21,883	6,061
Staff development	167,897	-	167,897	-	167,897	192,426
Marketing/recruitment	3,445	-	3,445	1,046	4,491	3,066
Technology	133,031	1,482	134,513	40,834	175,347	117,784
Telephone	37,204	3,854	41,058	12,464	53,522	38,057
Food service	511	-	511	-	511	1,752
Student service	126,217	1,759	127,976	-	127,976	131,580
Office expense	30,558	3,087	33,645	43,966	77,611	77,801
Depreciation	488,938	48,895	537,833	142,610	680,443	618,345
Other	27,955	137	28,092	16,952	45,044	34,947
Total expenses	\$ 4,069,010	\$ 113,046	\$ 4,182,056	\$ 1,102,059	\$ 5,284,115	\$ 5,204,652

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