

**Johnston County
Educational Facilities Authority**

Financial Statements
June 30, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Board of Trustees
Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority
Tishomingo, Oklahoma

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying modified cash basis financial statements of the Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority (Authority), a component unit of Johnston County, Oklahoma, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the modified cash basis financial position Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority, as of June 30, 2023, and the changes in modified cash basis financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note I.

Basis for Opinion

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. 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 Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority, 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—Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note I of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note I, and for determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority'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 basic financial statements that collectively comprise the Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority’s basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information, as identified in the table of contents, is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplement schedule of conduit debt is fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 17, 2023, on our consideration of Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority’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 the effectiveness of Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority’s 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 Authority’s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Norman, Oklahoma
November 17, 2023

Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority
Statement of Net Position – Modified Cash Basis
June 30, 2023

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash and cash equivalent	\$ 23,464
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Total current assets	<u>23,464</u>
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Total assets	<u><u>\$ 23,464</u></u>
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LIABILITIES

NET POSITION

Unrestricted	\$ 23,464
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Total net position	<u>23,464</u>
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Total liabilities and net position	<u><u>\$ 23,464</u></u>
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position – Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Operating revenues	
Participation fees	\$ 16,470
Interest	184
Total Operating Income	<u>16,654</u>
Operating expenses	
Professional fees	<u>\$ 9,300</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>9,300</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	7,354
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)	
Transfer from county	<u>16,110</u>
Change in net position	23,464
Net Position, Beginning of Year	<u>-</u>
Net Position, End of Year	<u><u>\$ 23,464</u></u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority
Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2023

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Operations

The Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority (JCEFA) is a public trust and agency of the State of Oklahoma. It was created by a Trust Indenture dated February 3, 2014 designating certain individuals as Trustees of JCEFA for the use and benefit of Johnston County, Oklahoma, (Beneficiary) under the provisions of Title 60, Oklahoma Statutes 1971, Sections 176 to 180.4 as amended, and the Oklahoma Trust Act. JCEFA is not organized for profit and no part of its net earnings may inure to the benefit of any private person.

JCEFA by virtue of common control and dependence is a component unit of Johnston County, Oklahoma. The Board of County Commissioners serve as Trustees of JCEFA. The Trustees are citizens and residents of Johnston County, as set forth in the Trust Indenture. The financial activities of Johnston County and its other component units are not included in the financial statements of JCEFA.

Purposes of the Trust

- To function as an industrial, cultural, housing, health care, economic development and educational development trust to assist the Beneficiary, the State of Oklahoma, its governmental agencies and private entities, agencies and citizens in its charitable, scientific, literary, economic development, housing, or educational purposes and in making the most efficient use of all of their economic resources and powers in accord with the needs and benefit of the Beneficiary in order to lessen the burdens on government and to stimulate charitable, scientific, literary, health care, and economic development; to inventory the services, faculties and resources of the entire Beneficiary; to promote, stimulate, encourage and finance the growth and development of commerce, recreation, education, health care and industry of the Beneficiary as a whole, all in order to achieve maximum utilization of the Beneficiary's human, charitable, scientific, literary, educational, economic, recreational, natural resources and tourist attractions; to foster and promote an industrial climate and the payroll of the Beneficiary and to otherwise promote its general economic welfare and prosperity
- To promote, develop, own, construct, lease and finance charitable, scientific, literary, housing, healthcare or educational facilities, of any sort or description constituting real and/or personal property.
- To hold, maintain and administer any leasehold rights in and to physical properties demised to the Beneficiary and to comply with the terms and conditions of any such lease.

Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority
Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2023

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are presented on a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as established by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). This basis of accounting involves modifications to the cash basis of accounting to report in the statements of net position cash transactions or events that provide a benefit or result in an obligation that covers a period greater than the period in which the cash transaction or event occurred. Such reported balances include related entity receivables, purchased capital assets and related depreciation and liabilities arising from cash transactions or events.

This modified cash basis of accounting differs from GAAP primarily because certain assets and their related revenues and certain liabilities and their related expenses are not recorded in the financial statements. In addition, other economic assets, deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows that do not arise from a cash transaction or event are not reported, and the measurement of reported assets and liabilities does not involve adjustment to fair value.

Measurement Focus

JCEFA accounts for its activities within a proprietary fund. As a financing authority for Johnston County, the Authority may use enterprise fund accounting and financial reporting as allowed by GASB 34. Thus the Authority uses the proprietary fund type to account for its activities

The proprietary fund type is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the statement of net position. Proprietary fund operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in total net position. The accrual basis of accounting is utilized by the proprietary fund. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when the liability is incurred.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. Revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

JCEFA has defined cash and cash equivalents to include demand deposits, cash with trustees and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

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June 30, 2023

Investments

Authorized investments include cash, obligations of the U.S. government, agency or instrumentality that are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S., unsecured certificates of deposit, time deposits and bankers' acceptances (having maturities of not more than 365 days) of any bank rated A-1+ by S&P or P-1 by Moody's, deposits the aggregate amount which are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in banks which have capital and surplus of at least \$15 million, money market funds rated Aam or Aam-G by S&P or better, state obligations, prefunded municipal obligations rated AAA by S&P and other specified investments in the indenture. Short-term investments are held in guaranteed investment contracts or money market accounts collateralized by government securities. These short-term investments are reported at cost, which approximates market values.

Operating and Non-operating Revenues

Proprietary fund operating revenues result from exchange transactions related to the operations. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Non-operating revenues, such as investment income result from non-exchange transactions. Operating expenses include interest paid on debt which is the primary operating purpose of the Authority.

Budgetary Comparison

Budgetary comparison information is required to be presented for the general fund with legally adopted budget. JCEFA is not legally required to adopt a budget. Therefore, budget comparison information is not included in the Authority's financial statements.

Subsequent events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date of this report, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

II. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Custodial Credit Risk

For deposits, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, JCEFA's deposits may not be returned to it. JCEFA follows state law requiring collateral to manage custodial credit risk. JCEFA was not exposed to custodial credit risk as of June 30, 2023.

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June 30, 2023

III. RELATED PARTY

The Authority transfers the administrative fees collected to the County for the cost of providing services to the Authority. In 2023, the County transferred a portion of fees collected back to the Authority. Total fees transferred from the County for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 were \$16,110.

IV. CONDUIT DEBT OBLIGATIONS

The Authority has issued education facility lease revenue bonds that meet the definition of a conduit debt obligation to finance construction of projects by public schools. The properties financed by the bond proceeds are pledged as collateral on the bonds. The public schools are the obligors under the underlying mortgage loans or promissory notes. The bonds are payable solely from payments received from the obligors on the loans. In addition, no commitments beyond the collateral the payments from the obligors and maintenance of the tax-exempt status of the conduit debt obligations were extended by the Authority for any of these bonds. At June 30, 2023, the bonds have an aggregate outstanding principal amount payable of \$16,725,000.

Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority
 Supplemental Schedule of Conduit Debt Projects
 June 30, 2023

Bond	<u>Issued</u>	Average Interest Rate	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
2014 Series Tishomingo Public Schools Project)	2/24/2014	2.59%	9/1/2024	\$ 900,000	\$ -	\$ 285,000	\$ 615,000
2022 Series Tishomingo Public Schools Project)	2/1/2022	4.00%	9/1/2040	<u>\$ 16,110,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 16,110,000</u>
				<u>\$ 17,010,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 285,000</u>	<u>\$ 16,725,000</u>



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

Board of Trustees
Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority
Tishomingo, Oklahoma

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 Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 17, 2023. Our report included an emphasis of matter paragraph indicating that the financial statements were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting. Our opinion on the basic financial statements was not affected by this matter.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority'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 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. We did identify a deficiency in internal control described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as 2023-001 that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority's 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*.

Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of this Report

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



Norman, Oklahoma
November 17, 2023

Johnston County Educational Facilities Authority
Schedule of Findings and Responses
For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

2023-001 Financial Reporting

Condition: The Authority does not have a financial reporting system in place.

Criteria: The responsibility for the financial statements remains with management even when the preparation of the financial statements is transferred to a service provider or with the assistance of the auditor. An individual with sufficient awareness of financial statement amounts and disclosure requirements should be designated to oversee the preparation of the financial statements.

Cause: The Authority does not have a system of financial reporting that determines the trial balances used in financial statement preparation. The Authority does not currently have a system in place to determine appropriate financial statement amounts and disclosures.

Effect: Potential that financial statement amounts and disclosures will be incomplete.

Recommendation: We recommend that the Authority implement a financial reporting system. We also recommend that the Authority maintain financial records that will generate a trial balance and general ledger.

*Views of Responsible Officials
and Planned Corrective
Action:* The Authority is reviewing this condition to determine options available to respond to deficiency. Activity is very limited so cost-benefit considerations must be evaluated. At this time, no changes are expected.