

**Eau Claire Area School District  
2019-20  
Charter School Authorizer Annual Report**

## Authorizer Annual Report Checklist

When completing the Charter School Authorizer Annual Report, verify that:

- All sections of the report are present, and all schedules are completed and attached.
- For school district authorizers, the schedule of authorizer operating costs has been included as a supplement to the school district's annual audited financial statements submitted to DPI.
- The report has been completed at the authorizer level, rather than completed for an individual school.
- Authorizer operating costs have been identified in Section VI. This section should not be left blank.
- The operating costs reported in Section VI reflect **only** the costs the authorizing entity incurred while fulfilling the duties under Wis. Stat. s. 118.40 (3m)(a) to (e) which include:
  - Soliciting and evaluating charter school applications,
  - Considering the principles and standards for quality authorizing established by the National Association of Charter School Authorizers,
  - Giving preference in the awarding of contracts for the operation of charter schools that serve children at risk,
  - Approving high-quality charter schools that meet identified educational needs and promote a diversity of educational choices, and
  - Monitoring the performance and compliance with Wis. Stat. s. 118.40 of each charter school with which it contracts.

The operating costs in this section should **not** reflect the operating costs for the authorized charter school(s).

- The total amounts reported in Section VI and Section VII are not the same. As noted above, Section VI should only include operating costs the authorizing entity incurred while fulfilling the duties under Wis. Stat. 118.40 (3m)(a) to (e); while Section VII should include the costs of services the authorizing entity provided to the charter schools with which it contracts.
- Costs reported in Section VII are only the costs of services provided to the charter school(s). Examples of the types of costs that should be reported in this section include but are not limited to: costs for business office services, costs for food services, curriculum services, professional development services, etc.

For further instructions and requirements related to completing each section of this report see the charter school authorizer annual report technical assistance document at <http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/charter-schools/information-authorizers>.

**SECTION I: AUTHORIZER INFORMATION**

<b>Authorizing Entity:</b>	<b>Eau Claire Area School District</b>
<b>Authorizer Address:</b>	<b>500 Main Street, Eau Claire, WI 54701</b>
<b>Authorizer Contact Person:</b>	<b>Abby Johnson</b>
<b>Contact Person Title:</b>	<b>Executive Director of Business Services</b>
<b>Contact Person Phone:</b>	<b>715-852-3017</b>
<b>Contact Person Email:</b>	<b>ajohnson2@ecasd.us</b>

**SECTION II: CHARTER SCHOOL INFORMATION**

*(Add additional lines or attach additional sheets, if necessary.)*

<b>Charter Schools Currently Under Contract:</b>			
<b>School Name:</b>	<b>Contract Start Date:</b>	<b>Contract Expiration Date:</b>	<b>Grades Served:</b>
<b>Chippewa Valley Montessori Charter School, Inc.</b>	<b>July 1, 2020</b>	<b>June 30, 2023</b>	<b>PK-5</b>
<b>McKinley Charter School, Inc.</b>	<b>July 1, 2019</b>	<b>June 30, 2021</b>	<b>6-12</b>
<b>Eau Claire Virtual School, Inc.</b>	<b>July 1, 2019</b>	<b>June 30, 2024</b>	<b>6-12</b>

<b>Charter Schools with Non-renewed or Revoked Contract:</b>			
<b>School Name:</b>	<b>Contract Start Date:</b>	<b>Date of Non-renewal or Revocation:</b>	<b>Reason for Non-renewal or Revocation:</b>
<b>NONE</b>			

<b>Charter Schools Currently Under Contract that have not Opened:</b>		
<b>School Name:</b>	<b>Contract Start Date:</b>	<b>Date School will Open:</b>
<b>NONE</b>		

<b>Charter Schools that Closed:</b>		
<b>School Name:</b>	<b>Date of School Closure:</b>	<b>Reason for Closure:</b>
<b>NONE</b>		

### **SECTION III: ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE OF CHARTER SCHOOLS**

*(Provide a summary of the academic performance of each charter school that operated during the school year.)*

#### **McKINLEY CHARTER SCHOOL**

##### **McKinley Component:**

Students will pass the Stanford 10 Achievement Test Series reading, language arts and mathematics exams before graduating. All students are required to take a pre-test before they were able to take the final Stanford 10 exam anticipating a higher success rate on students meeting the requirement. Sixty-four students in the competency component passed the reading, language arts and mathematics exams prior to graduating.

All students complete an Individualized Learning Plan at the time of enrollment. Students will identify their preferred learning styles, set goals for graduation and post-secondary, and self-reflect on their current academic abilities. Student plans were reviewed quarterly by staff and then with students when needed. Sixty-four students graduated from the McKinley competency component in 2019-20.

##### **Detention Center Component:**

All students enrolled in the 180 program develop educational plans which will include earning credits toward graduation. Students may pursue a diploma from McKinley Charter School or their credits could transfer back to their school of origin. Curriculum may be designed by the instructor or students can utilize APEX, an online course option. This goal is measured by the number of students completing the English/Language Arts and Mathematics credits toward graduation. Two students completed on-line classes to meet their English/Language Arts credit requirements towards graduation. Four students completed online classes to meet their Mathematics credit toward graduation.

Educational plans were developed for 100% of the students placed in the 180 program to monitor students to ensure they are on schedule to graduate. Academic plans were reviewed, monitored and adjusted throughout the year. All 12 students in the 180 program earned credit toward graduation while in the Detention Center. One students completed all requirements for graduation and received their high school diploma.

##### **Forward Exam ELA**

No results due to COVID-19.

##### **Forward Exam Math**

No results due to COVID-19.

##### **ACT Statewide**

No results due to COVID-19.

##### **ACT-Aspire 9<sup>th</sup> Grade**

No results due to COVID-19.

##### **ACT-Aspire 10<sup>th</sup> Grade**

No results due to COVID-19.

**CHIPPEWA VALLEY MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL**

The Wisconsin Forward Exam provides the following information relevant to the performance of Montessori Charter school:

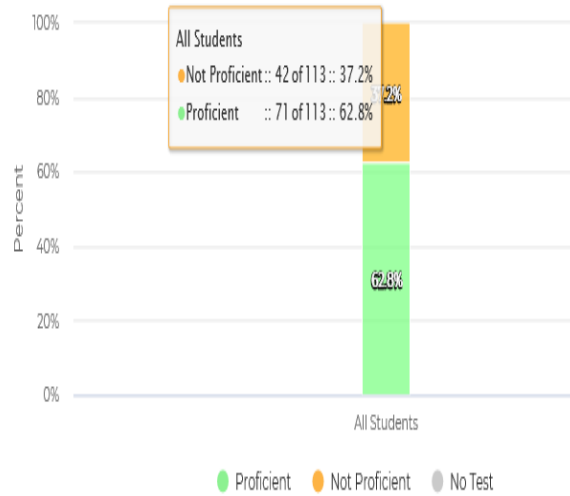
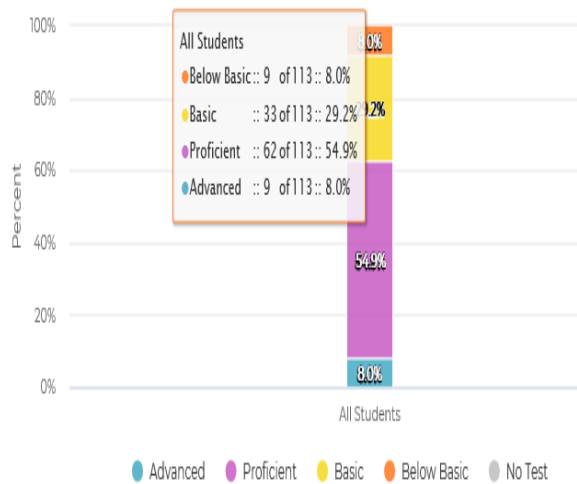
**Pupil Achievement:**

- No results for 2019-20 due to COVID-19.
- Statewide assessment (i.e., Wisconsin Forward Reading and Math Exam given in grades 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> and Wisconsin Forward Science and Social Studies Exam given in grade 4.)
- The percentage of students who have successfully completed the exam at CVMCS was 100%.

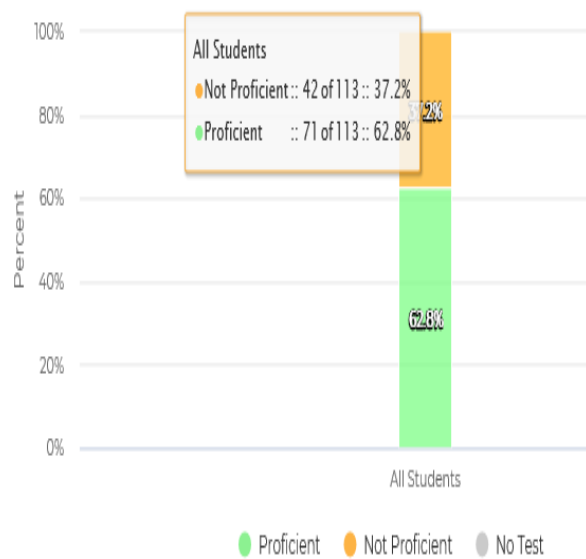
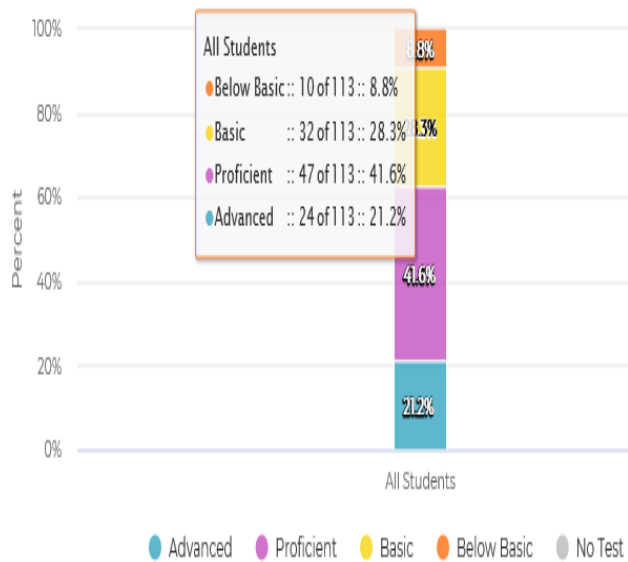
2018-19 Forward Exam Results												
Subject	Percentage of Students Proficient or Advanced											
	School				District				State			
	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19
ELA	58.2%	58.7%	61.2%	62.8%	46.8%	49.2%	45.5%	43.6%	43.5%	45.2%	43.1%	41.5%
Mathematics	55.7%	55.6%	55.4%	62.8%	50.4%	50.9%	49.7%	48.2%	43.3%	43.5%	44.5%	44.0%
Social Studies	85.4%	75.0%	80.0%	78.4%	61.4%	58.2%	58.5%	55.5%	51.0%	50.8%	51.8%	50.2%
Science	82.9%	70.5%	72.5%	78.4%	57.4%	56.4%	59.1%	62.1%	51.2%	50.2%	50.5%	54.0%

In 2018-2019 CVMCS had a higher percentage of students at proficient and advanced than the state in all 4 subject areas (reading, math, science, social studies).

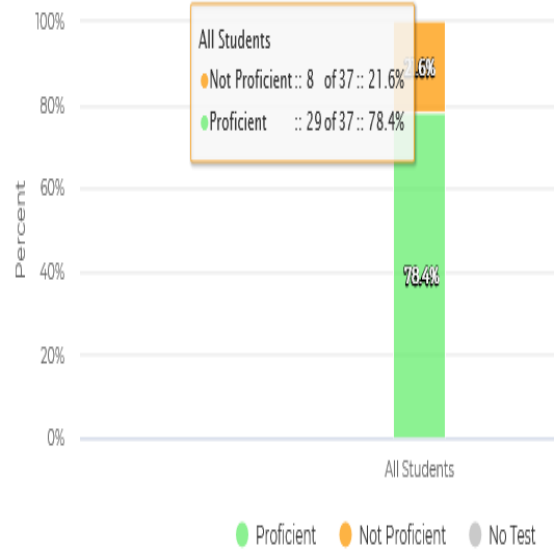
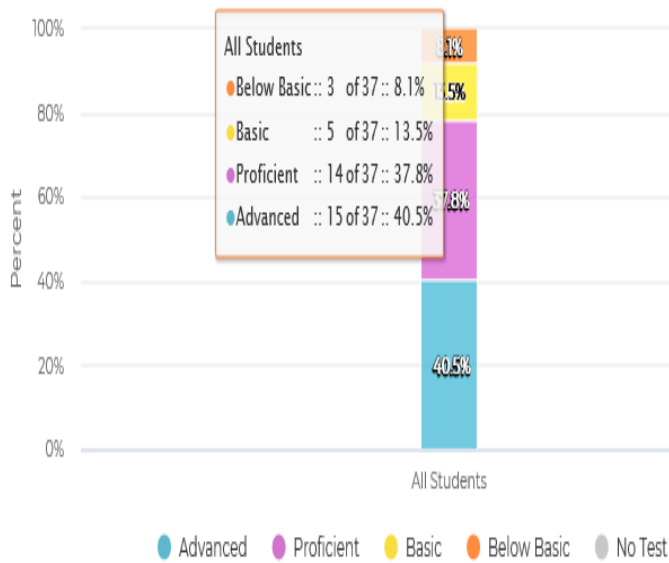
**ELA Forward Exam**  
113 students were tested in 2018-19.



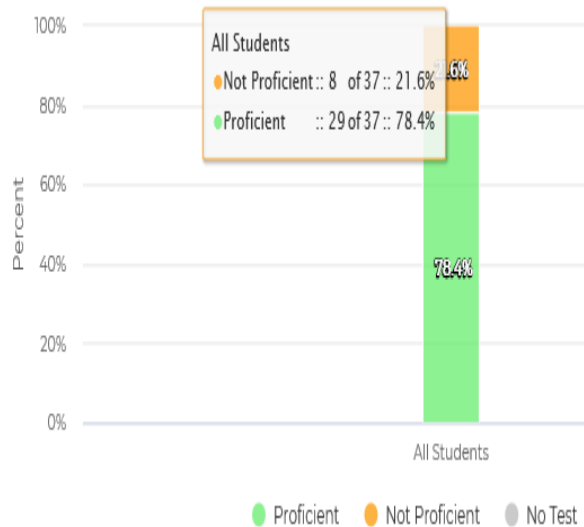
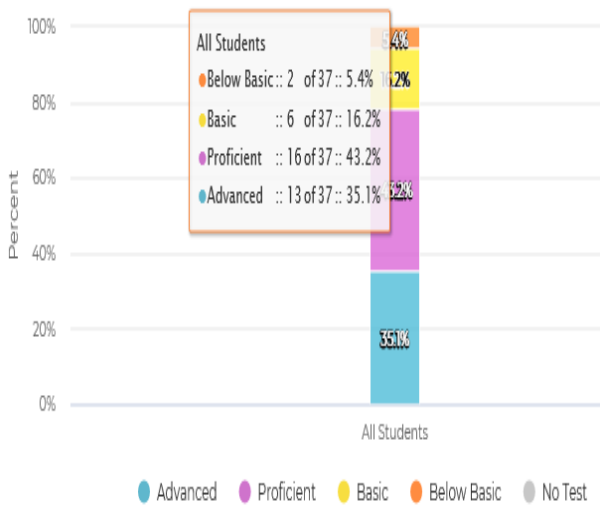
**Mathematics Forward Exam**  
113 students were tested in 2018-19.



**Social Studies Forward Exam**  
37 students were tested in 2018-19.

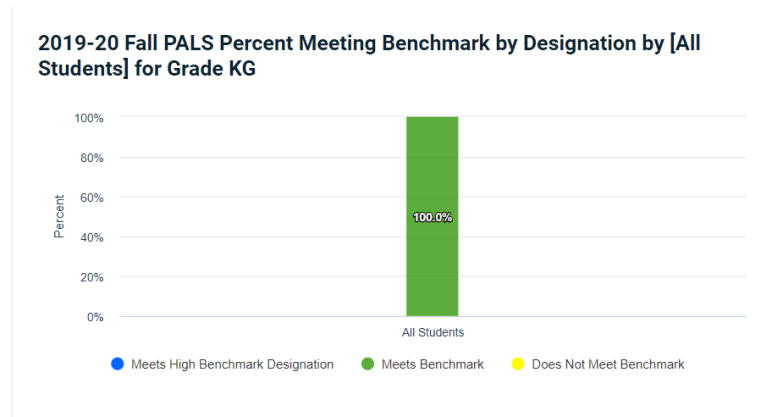


**Science Forward Exam**  
37 students were tested in 2018-19.

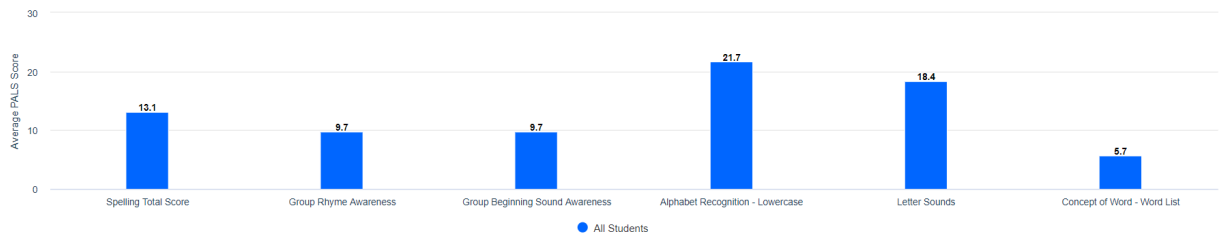


## PALS Kindergarten

47 students were tested in 2019-20.



**2019-20 Fall PALS Average Score by Task and [All Students] for Grade KG**



## EAU CLAIRE VIRTUAL SCHOOL

The Wisconsin Forward Exam as well as the ACT provides the following information relevant to the performance of Eau Claire Virtual Charter school:

### Pupil Achievement:

- No results for 2019-20 due to COVID-19.

### Forward Exam ELA

No results due to COVID-19.

### Forward Exam Math

No results due to COVID-19.

### ACT Statewide

1 Student Tested. Cell size is too small to report results.

### ACT-Aspire 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

No results due to COVID-19.

### ACT-Aspire 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

No results due to COVID-19.



**SECTION IV: FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF CHARTER SCHOOLS**

*(Provide a summary of the financial performance of each charter school that operated during the school year.)*

**McKINLEY CHARTER SCHOOL**

McKinley Charter School (MCS) is a separate institution with its own policy setting Governance Board. It provides a contracted service to the ECASD and Altoona School District. A funding allocation for up to 20 students at a time in the Competency Component and 1 student in the Credit Component from the Altoona School District shall be established through a 66.0301 Agreement between the Altoona School District, McKinley Charter School Governance Board and the ECASD Board of Education.

The Governance Board shall develop an annual budget based on programmatic need and submit it to the ECASD through the district's budgeting process. Once approved, the MCS Governance Board has control over the annual budget. The cost of all ECASD staff shall be paid by ECASD. Staffing assignments for MCS shall be set at levels to ensure safety for both the students and the staff and to best meet the academic goals of each student. The library/periodical/common fund allocation shall be determined by the state or district formula utilized for that year and shall be the same percentage as that allocated to other schools in the ECASD.

In 2019-20, the MCS budget was \$ 1,274,886, the actual amount spent was \$ 1,167,740.

**CHIPPEWA VALLEY MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL**

Chippewa Valley Montessori Charter School (CVMCS) was created as an independent institution in order to provide an opportunity for students to learn utilizing the Montessori principles of education. The founders of CVMCS and ECASD Board recognized the ability of a charter school to provide a high-quality educational experience for students. CVMCS will enroll ECASD and non-district open enrolled students, with a targeted 4K and 5K enrollment of 80. Students shall be enrolled in 4K through 5th grade.

Staffing units shall be determined by ECASD administration annually based on enrollment, alignment with post-secondary readiness criteria, and annual revenue limit increases as provided for by state statute and/or legislative action.

In 2019-20 the CVMCS budget was \$ 2,329,321, the actual amount spent was \$ 2,362,728.

## **EAU CLAIRE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL**

The Eau Claire Virtual Charter School (ECVS) was created as an independent institution to provide an innovative educational path that allows for the creative blend of opportunities to continually build the strengths of each learner. Each February the school holds a lottery to fill available seats for the upcoming school year. A student wait list is then maintained for openings. ECVS serves grades 4 through 12.

The cost of all ECASD staff and other program costs shall be paid by ECASD and will be determined annually based on enrollment and meeting student academic goals. The Governance Board oversees the programming.

In 2019-20 the ECVS budget was \$ 134,272, the actual amount spent was \$ 109,450.

### **SECTION V: OTHER CONTRACT TERMS AND EXPECTATIONS (OPTIONAL)**

*(Provide a summary and discussion of any additional contract terms or expectations that the authorizer deems relevant to its report on the overall performance of the charter schools it authorizes.)*

### **SECTION VI: AUTHORIZER OPERATING COSTS**

*(Complete and attach audited Schedule of Charter School Authorizer Operating Costs.)*

*Examples of the types of costs that should be reported in the schedule of authorizer operating costs include but are not limited to: costs incurred by the authorizer to oversee and monitor its charter schools (i.e. salary and fringe for individuals who assume these duties), costs incurred for soliciting, receiving, and reviewing applications for new charter schools (i.e. salary and fringe for individuals who assume these duties which may include administrative staff, business office staff, legal staff, etc.), costs incurred for completing and analyzing charter school data for the purpose of making renewal and revocation decisions, and any additional costs associated with duties under Wis. Stats. s. 118.40(3m)(a) to (e) above.*

*Costs that should not be included in the schedule of authorizer operating costs include salary and fringe for the teachers at the charter school, costs of charter school transportation, curriculum services, food service, etc. Only costs associated with the authorizer fulfilling its duties should be reported in this schedule.*

We are still waiting for the final audit report from the auditor. It is expected to arrive after December 1, 2020. We will submit when available.

### **SECTION VII: SERVICES PROVIDED TO CHARTER SCHOOLS**

*(Complete and attach Schedule of Charter School Authorizer Services and Costs.)*

*Examples of the types of costs that should be reported in the schedule of services and costs include but are not limited to: costs for business office services, costs for food services, curriculum services, professional development services, etc. Costs and types of services may vary depending upon the contractual relationship between the authorizer and the charter school.*

**Eau Claire Area School District**

**Section VI**

**SCHEDULE OF CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZER OPERATING COSTS**

**FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020**

<b>OPERATING ACTIVITY</b>	<b>WUFAR OBJECT CODE</b>	<b>COST</b>
EMPLOYEE SALARIES	100	
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	200	
PURCHASED SERVICES	300	
NON-CAPITAL OBJECTS	400	
CAPITAL OBJECTS	500	
INSURANCE & JUDGEMENTS	700	
OTHER (REPLACE OTHER WITH AN ACTIVITY NAME)	900	
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<b>TOTAL</b>		

**EAU CLAIRE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**SECTION VII**

**SCHEDULE OF CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZER SERVICES AND COSTS**

**FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020**

<b>SERVICES PROVIDED</b>	<b>FUNCTION CODE</b>	<b>COST</b>
UNDIFFERENTIATED CURRICULUM	110000	\$1,648,044.40
REGULAR CURRICULUM	120000	\$170,924.96
FAMILY AND CONSUMER EDUCATION	135000	\$1,094.93
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	143000	\$47,432.00
SPECIAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM	150000	\$647,911.00
CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	160000	\$1,954.93
OTHER SPECIAL NEEDS	170000	\$12,210.82
SCHOOL COUNSELING	213000	\$136,389.81
HEALTH SERVICES	214000	\$0.00
PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	215000	\$0.00
OTHER PUPIL SERVICES	219000	\$18,758.56
CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	221200	\$965.71
INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF TRAINING	221300	\$11,736.19
LIBRARY MEDIA	222000	\$63,683.12
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	230000	\$39.99
SCHOOL BUILDING ADMINISTRATION	240000	\$431,468.38
FISCAL ADMINISTRATION	252000	\$0.00
GENERAL OPERATIONS	253000	\$232,217.98
MAINTENANCE	254000	\$8,752.66
FACILITIES	255000	\$0.00
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	256000	\$33,733.43
INTERNAL SERVICES	258000	\$749.97
NONINSTRUCTIONAL STAFF TRAINING	260000	\$1,161.14
ADMIN TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	295000	\$52,786.86
GENERAL CONTRACTED INSTRUCTION	431000	\$111,079.02
SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTED INSTRUCTION	436000	\$6,821.78
ADJUSTMENTS	492000	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$3,639,917.64</b>