Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 With Independent Auditor's Report



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors
The Fund for Public Schools, Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Fund for Public Schools, Inc. (the Fund), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, 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.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). 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 Fund and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.



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 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 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, 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 GAAS, we:

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- 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 Fund'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 Fund'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 audits, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audits.

March 1, 2024

Statements of Financial Position As of June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
ASSETS Cash	\$ 21,656,305	\$ 18,398,201
Investments	18,763,220	18,588,365
Contributions and grants receivable, net	17,112,546	13,200,093
Prepaid expenses and other assets	14,519	7,443
Total assets	\$ 57,546,590	\$ 50,194,102
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS Liabilities Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and other liabilities Grants payable	\$ 664,808 13,983,592	\$ 246,707 12,891,625
Total liabilities	14,648,400	13,138,332
Net assets		
Without donor restrictions	3,001,820	2,542,268
With donor restrictions	39,896,370	34,513,502
Total net assets	42,898,190	37,055,770
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 57,546,590	\$ 50,194,102

Statements of Activities
For the Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

Years Ended June 30,

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		2023			2022	
	Without	With		Without	With	
	Donor	Donor		Donor	Donor	
	Restrictions	Restrictions	Total	Restrictions	Restrictions	Total
Support and revenue						
Contributions and grants	\$ -	\$ 28,873,651	\$ 28,873,651	\$ -	\$ 12,606,749	\$ 12,606,749
Administrative fees	1,518,361	-	1,518,361	500,448	-	500,448
Donated goods and services	966,593	_	966,593	785,019	_	785,019
Investment income (loss)	79,860	321,595	401,455	(981,608)	(560,871)	(1,542,479)
Support and revenue before						
release from restrictions	2,564,814	29,195,246	31,760,060	303,859	12,045,878	12,349,737
Net assets released from restrictions	23,812,378	(23,812,378)		21,764,822	(21,764,822)	
Total support and revenue	26,377,192	5,382,868	31,760,060	22,068,681	(9,718,944)	12,349,737
Expenses						
Program services	23,793,139	-	23,793,139	21,552,439	-	21,552,439
Management and general	858,474	-	858,474	1,205,644	-	1,205,644
Fund-raising	1,266,027		1,266,027	1,100,898		1,100,898
Total expenses	25,917,640		25,917,640	23,858,981		23,858,981
Change in net assets	459,552	5,382,868	5,842,420	(1,790,300)	(9,718,944)	(11,509,244)
Net assets - beginning of year	2,542,268	34,513,502	37,055,770	4,332,568	44,232,446	59,353,601
Net assets - end of year	\$ 3,001,820	\$ 39,896,370	\$ 42,898,190	\$ 2,542,268	\$ 34,513,502	\$ 37,055,770

Total expenses

Statements of Functional Expenses For the Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

Year Ended June 30, 2023 2022 Account Program Management Program Management Description Services and General Fund-raising Total Services and General Fund-raising Total Grants \$ 23,793,139 \$ \$ \$ 23,793,139 \$ 21.552.439 \$ \$ \$ 21,552,439 Salaries and fringe benefits 726.221 850.825 1.353.284 222.489 503.732 502.459 Donated goods and services 183,002 740,615 923.617 158,365 579,577 737,942 Professional fees 117,042 8,560 125,602 48,518 10,468 58,986 Travel and meals 1,295 1,192 2,487 3,292 36 3,328 Professional development 11,018 11,018 8,358 8,358 19,040 19,040 13,392 13,392 Insurance Miscellaneous 910 315,606 316,516 129,752 1,500 131,252

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\$ 23,858,981

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

\$ 23,793,139

858,474

Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Increase (decrease) in net assets Adjustments to reconcile increase (decrease) in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 5,842,420	\$ (11,509,244)
Depreciation Realized gain on sales of investments Unrealized loss (gain) on investments Changes in	(38,316) 372,877	- (80,898) 2,102,691
Contributions and grants receivable Prepaid expenses and other assets Accounts payable and other liabilities Grants payable	(3,912,453) (7,076) 418,101 1,091,967	7,640,067 (817) 46,304 (7,466,804)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	3,767,520	(9,268,701)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Proceeds from sales of investments Purchases of investments Net cash used in investing activities	1,071,053 (1,580,469) (509,416)	289,621 (747,397) (457,776)
Net increase (decrease) in cash Cash, beginning of year Cash, end of year	3,258,104 18,398,201 \$ 21,656,305	(9,726,477) 28,124,678 \$ 18,398,201

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

NOTE 1 ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization

Located in New York City, The Fund for Public Schools, Inc. (the Fund), a not-for-profit organization, was established in New York in 1982 to facilitate the collection of private-sector grants and gifts and the disbursement of such funds as needed to finance certain educational programs of the New York City Department of Education (the Education Department). The Chancellor of the Education Department is the Chair of the Board of the Fund. The Fund seeks critical funding for systemwide educational reform initiatives throughout the city's public schools. The Fund provides grants and other support to the Education Department for these purposes.

The Fund is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code) and from state and local taxes under comparable laws.

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements of the Fund have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP), as applicable to not-forprofit entities.

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, liabilities, revenues and expenses and the disclosure of contingencies. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investments

The Fund considers all highly liquid investments with maturities of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents held temporarily in the long-term investment portfolio (until suitable investments are identified) are excluded from cash and cash equivalents available for current use in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 958-205-55-7 and reported as investments in the accompanying statements of financial position. Investments in mutual funds, fixed-income securities, equity securities and dynamics assets are reported at their fair values. Realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in the accompanying statements of activities.

Investment transactions are recorded on a trade-date basis. Realized gains or losses on investments are determined by comparison of the average cost of acquisition to proceeds at the time of disposition. The earnings from the dividends and interest are recognized when earned.

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

NOTE 1 ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

<u>Investments</u> (continued)

Donated securities are recorded at their fair values, as determined on the date of gift, with realized gains or losses recorded when the securities are sold. The Fund's policy, generally, is to sell donated securities immediately upon receipt. Accordingly, for purposes of the accompanying statements of cash flows, donated securities received and sold within the same year are reported as operating activities.

Property and Equipment

The Fund's property and equipment consists of computer equipment, which is stated at their original costs or, if contributed, at their fair value at the dates of donation. Minor repair and maintenance costs are accounted for as expenses as incurred. The Fund capitalizes items of property and equipment that have a cost of \$500 or more and useful lives greater than one year. Depreciation of property and equipment is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets of three years.

Accrued Vacation

Accrued vacation is a liability in the accompanying financial statements and represents the Fund's obligation for the cost of total unused employee vacation time that would be payable in the event of employees' departures; the obligation is recalculated every year. At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the accrued vacation obligation was \$36,291 and \$32,684, respectively, and was reported as part of accounts payable and other liabilities in the accompanying statements of financial position.

Grants Payable

Grants are recognized as an obligation of the Fund at the time they are approved. Grants approved but unpaid were \$13,983,592 and \$12,891,625 at June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Grants are generally payable within one year of approval.

Net Assets

Without Donor Restrictions

Net assets without donor restrictions represent those resources that are not subject to donor restrictions and are available for current operations.

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

NOTE 1 ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Net Assets (continued)

With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions represent those resources that are subject to the requirements of the New York Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (NYPMIFA) and the use for which has been restricted by donors or state law to specific purposes and/or the passage of time. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends, a purpose restriction is accomplished, or the funds are appropriated through an action of the Board of Directors, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified as net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the accompanying statements of activities as "net assets released from donor restrictions."

Resources with principal that are originally restricted in perpetuity by donors also represent net assets with donor restrictions. The purposes for which the income and net capital appreciation arising from the underlying assets may be used depend on the wishes of that donor. Under the terms of NYPMIFA, those earnings are classified as with donor restrictions in the accompanying statements of activities, pending appropriation by the Board of Directors.

Revenue Recognition

Contributions and Grants

Contributions to the Fund are recognized as revenue upon the receipt of cash or other assets or of unconditional pledges. Contributions are recorded as with donor restrictions if they are received with donor stipulations or time considerations as to their use. Conditional contributions are recorded when the conditions have been met, and if received in advance, are recognized in the statements of financial position as funds received in advance. Contributions to be received over periods longer than one year are recorded at their fair value using a present value technique and discounted at an interest rate commensurate with the risk involved.

Grant revenue is based on the terms of each individual grant and is considered available for use unless the donor or granter restricts the use thereof.

Administrative Management Fees

The Fund collects an administrative management fee of up to 8% on grants received to cover administrative overhead costs. Administrative management fees of \$1,518,361 and \$500,448 received during fiscal years 2023 and 2022, respectively, have been included in the accompanying statements of activities.

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

NOTE 1 ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Donated Goods and Services

For recognition of donated goods and services in the Fund's financial statements, such goods and services must (i) create or enhance non-financial assets and (ii) typically need to be acquired if not provided by donation. Additionally, recognition of donated services must (i) require a specialized skill and (ii) be provided by individuals possessing these skills. Donated services are recorded as support at their estimated fair values at the dates of donation and are reported as without donor restrictions support unless the donor has restricted the donated asset for a specific purpose. Donated goods and services are both reported as contributions and offsetting expenses in the accompanying statements of activities.

During fiscal years 2023 and 2022, the Fund received donated services, primarily consisting of financial and administration services, from the Education Department and two law firms of approximately \$967,000 and \$785,000, respectively.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing the Fund's various programs and supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in the accompanying statements of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the supporting service areas on the basis of estimated personnel time and effort.

Income Tax

The Fund is subject to the provisions of FASB ASC Topic 740, *Income Taxes*, relating to accounting and reporting for uncertainty in income taxes. Management believes ASC Topic 740 has not had, and it is not expected to have, a material impact on the Fund's financial statements.

The Fund is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. Management believes it is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years ended prior to June 30, 2019.

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

NOTE 2 INVESTMENTS

At each fiscal year end, investments at fair value consisted of the following:

		2023	 2022
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	17,717	\$ 16,803
Mutual funds		17,291,280	16,641,224
Fixed-income securities		379,196	371,879
Equity securities		509,228	555,172
Dynamic assets		565,799	 1,003,287
	<u>\$</u>	18,763,220	\$ 18,588,365

During each fiscal year, investment returns consisted of the following:

	Year Ended June 30,			
		2023		2022
Interest and dividends Realized gains (losses) on investments Unrealized gains (losses) on investments	\$	736,016 38,316 (372,877)	\$	479,314 80,898 (2,102,691)
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FASB ASC Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, establishes a three-level valuation hierarchy of fair value measurements. These valuation techniques are based on observable and unobservable inputs. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from independent sources, while unobservable inputs reflect market assumptions. These two types of inputs create the following fair value hierarchy:

- <u>Level 1:</u> Valuations are based on observable inputs that reflect quoted market prices in active markets for those investments, or similar investments, at the reporting date.
- <u>Level 2:</u> Valuations are based on (i) quoted prices for similar investments in active markets, or (ii) quoted prices for those investments, or similar investments in markets that are not active, or (iii) pricing inputs other than quoted prices that are directly or indirectly observable at the reporting date.
- <u>Level 3:</u> Valuations are based on pricing inputs that are unobservable and include situations where (i) there is little, if any, market activity for the investments, or (ii) the investments cannot be independently valued.

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

NOTE 2 INVESTMENTS (continued)

The Fund's investments are subject to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of those securities could occur in the near term. The changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements.

The availability of market data is monitored to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one level to another. In such instances, the transfer is reported at the beginning of the reporting period. From fiscal year 2022 to 2023, there were no transfers among the fair value hierarchy levels.

The following tables summarize the fair values of the Fund's assets at each fiscal year end, in accordance with the ASC 820 valuation levels:

		June 30, 2023	
	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Cash and cash equivalents Mutual funds Equity securities/Fixed income	\$ 17,717 17,291,280 888,424	\$	\$ 17,717 17,291,280 888,424
Dynamic assets	-	565,799	565,799
Total	<u>\$ 18,197,421</u>	\$ 565,799	\$ 18,763,220
		June 30, 2022	
	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Cash and cash equivalents Mutual funds Equity securities/Fixed	\$ 16,803 16,641,224	\$ - -	\$ 16,803 16,641,224
income Dynamic assets	927,051	- 1,003,287	927,051 1,003,287
Total	\$ 17,585,078	\$ 1,003,287	\$ 18,588,365

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

NOTE 3 CONTRIBUTIONS AND GRANTS RECEIVABLE, NET

Pledges of future contributions as of each fiscal year end, but not yet collected as of that date, were recorded as contributions and grants receivable. Outstanding pledges are expected to be collected as follows:

	June 30,			
		2023		2022
Less than one year One to three years Three years or more	\$ 16	794,200 6,512,915 -	\$	2,607,504 10,699,309 110,000
Fair value adjustment	17	7,307,115 (194,569)		13,416,813 (216,720)
	<u>\$ 17</u>	7 ,112,546	\$	13,200,093

NOTE 4 SIGNIFICANT SOURCES OF REVENUE

The Fund received grants from five significant private funders totaling \$17,890,303 and five significant private funders totaling \$3,577,162 for fiscal years 2023 and 2022, respectively. Such grants represented approximately 62% and 28% of contributions and grants revenue of \$28,873,651 and \$12,606,749 in fiscal years 2023 and 2022, respectively. The contributions and grants receivable from these private funders in the amounts of \$13,104,931 and \$9,658,295 represented approximately 77% and 73% of total contributions and grants receivable, net at June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

NOTE 5 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

The Fund has a defined contribution pension plan qualified under Section 403(b) of the Code and contributes a matching amount equal to 5% of each eligible employee's annual compensation. The Fund's contributions for fiscal years 2023 and 2022 were approximately \$29,000 and \$58,000, respectively.

NOTE 6 CREDIT RISK

The Fund places its cash investment with a high credit quality financial institution. At times, the balance in such account may exceed federally insured limits. The Fund's management believes that there is no substantial risk of loss associated with the failure of this financial institution.

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

NOTE 7 LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES

The Fund's financial assets available within one year of the statements of financial position date for general expenditure as of December 31, are as follows:

	2023	2022
Cash Investments Contributions and grants receivable Less: Endowments	\$ 21,656,3 18,763,2 794,3 (2,789,8	220 18,588,365 200 2,607,504
Total financial assets available	\$ 38,423,8	860 \$ 36,964,239

The Fund structures its financial assets to be available as its expenditures become due. The Fund maintains enough liquidity in cash and cash equivalents to at least cover planned expenditures for the next 12 months.

NOTE 8 NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS

At each fiscal year end, net assets with donor restrictions consisted of the following:

		Year Ended June 30,		
	2023		2023 202	
Purpose restricted				
Central	\$	16,890,794	\$	16,171,750
School-based		9,553,320		8,280,667
Scholarships		888,249		928,414
Time and purpose restricted		9,998,999		6,667,586
Restricted in perpetuity - Scholarships		2,565,008		2,465,085
	<u>\$</u>	39,896,370	<u>\$</u>	34,513,502

During each fiscal year end, net assets released from donor restrictions consisted of the following:

	Year Ended June 30,			
	2023		2023 202	
Purpose restricted				
Central	\$	11,898,015	\$	9,449,971
School-based		5,115,966		5,064,712
Scholarships		297,178		285,026
Time and purpose restricted		6,491,038		6,941,180
Restricted in perpetuity - Scholarships		10,181		23,933
	\$	23,812,378	\$	21,764,822

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

NOTE 9 ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FOR ENDOWMENTS

The Endowments

The Fund's endowment funds consist of seven donor-restricted funds, which were established to support educational services and scholarships.

Interpretation of Relevant Law

NYPMIFA is applicable to all of the Fund's institutional funds, including its donor-restricted endowment funds. The Board of Directors adheres to NYPMIFA's requirements.

Changes in Endowment Net Assets during Each Fiscal Year

The following table reflects the changes in the Fund's endowment net assets for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	2023	2022
	With Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions
Endowment net assets, beginning of year Investment (loss) income, net expenses	\$ 2,629,831 160,034	\$ 3,023,200 (393,369)
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$ 2,789,865	\$ 2,629,831

Funds with Deficiencies

Due to unfavorable market fluctuations, from time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may decline below the historical dollar value of the donor's original, permanently restricted contribution. Under the terms of NYPMIFA, the Fund has no responsibility to restore such decreases in value. At June 30, 2023 and 2022, there were no deficiencies of this nature.

Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The Fund has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowments while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Accordingly, the endowment assets are invested in a manner intended to produce a reasonable rate of return, while assuming a low level of investment risk.

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

NOTE 9 ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FOR ENDOWMENTS (continued)

Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Fund relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Fund mainly targets fixed-income mutual funds to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

Spending Policy and Relation to the Investment Objectives

The Fund evaluates its funding requirements on an annual basis and, accordingly, draws from its endowment appreciation on an as-needed basis. This is consistent with the Fund's objective to maintain the program requirement of the endowment assets held in perpetuity or for a specified term, as well as to provide additional real growth through new gifts and investment returns.

NOTE 10 COMMITMENTS

In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into various contracts for professional and other services, which are typically renewable on a year-to-year basis.

NOTE 11 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Fund has evaluated its subsequent events (events occurring after June 30, 2023) through March 1, 2024, which represents the date the financial statements were available to be issued. As a result of this evaluation, there were no other events that required recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

