

FINDLAY DIGITAL ACADEMY ASSUMPTIONS – April 3rd, 2017

REVENUES:

State Foundation Payments – The Findlay Digital Academy (FDA) is a Community School that is sponsored by the Findlay City School District and opened its doors in January 2005. It is a separate entity with its own Board of Directors and its own funds and accounts, which are separate from those of the Findlay City Schools. The FDA does not collect any property taxes. Its revenues come in monthly payments through (not from) the State of Ohio based on enrollment numbers. The Academy's general fund revenues come from the school districts in which each FDA pupil resides, with a very minor amount coming from the state for Facilities base on student enrollment. As of now, all FDA pupils are residents of the Findlay City School District or Court place by law. The money is deducted from the public school district's state aid and then passed onto the FDA. Note: In FY17, ODE performed an FY16 FTE/ADM Determination and currently this determination is under appeal by Findlay Digital Academy.

FY2017 is based on March 2017 ODE payment report as well as current enrollment numbers. FY2018 assumes a 5% decrease and FY2019 to FY2020 assumes a 5% decrease from each fiscal year prior for the foundation revenue. Note: In FY2016 FDA was reimbursed on its foundation for the students involved in Millstream Career Center from FY2015. It has since been reversed by ODE and the FDA will not receive any state money for students attending Millstream Career Center, and this is reflected in the forecast.

Other income – consist of fee's or any miscellaneous income from local sources.

Interest Income – This includes interest from investments and shows that the returns have remained low in this slow economy. The predictions in the future years will have a slight decrease for investment and assumption purposes with interest rates remaining low.

EXPENDITURES:

Salaries and Wages – No expenditures because all personnel are contracted out as purchased services through the Findlay City Schools and Hancock County ESC.

Purchased Services – This includes personnel hired and paid through the Findlay City Schools, Hancock County ESC as well as META Solutions, with most of this directly related to enrollment; which is expected to come in close to FY2016 levels. For FY2017, staffing levels will increase slightly, staff hours are expected to correlate with the number of students being served, which will affect the cost. Millstream Career Center costs are expected to be close to FY2016 levels; and finally, rent for the Academy is expected to increase moderately with a new rental agreement for FY2017 being completed. For FY2018 and beyond, the student enrollment is expected to be level to slightly lower, with expenses, staff hours, and Millstream costs (due to participation) is expected to have a slight increase as service requirements increase. Rent is expected to increase slightly in FY 2020 as a new agreement will need to be negotiated for this year and beyond. These future years assume increases of 3%.

Supplies & Capital – In the beginning years (FY05-FY07) FDA used federal grant money to purchase supply & capital purchases. In FY2016 the general fund has supported supplies and capital purchases. This is expected to continue in FY2017 and beyond.