

CISE

**Financial Statements – Modified Cash Basis
June 30, 2025 and 2024
With Independent Auditors' Report**

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Trustees
CISE
Cincinnati, Ohio

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of CISE (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position – modified cash basis as of June 30, 2025 and 2024, and the related statements of activities – modified cash basis, functional expenses – modified cash basis, and cash flows – modified cash basis for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of CISE as of June 30, 2025 and 2024, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting as described in Note 1.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of CISE 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.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 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 the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1, 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.

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Auditors' 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 auditors' 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 generally accepted 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, 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 CISE'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 CISE'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.

Barnes, Dennig & Co., Ltd.

November 6, 2025
Cincinnati, Ohio

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**Statements of Financial Position – Modified Cash Basis
June 30, 2025 and 2024**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Assets		
Cash	\$ 769,867	\$ 313,120
Investments	<u>11,246,294</u>	<u>12,093,970</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 12,016,161</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 12,407,090</u></u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Net Assets		
Without donor restrictions	8,413,970	8,098,067
With donor restrictions	<u>3,602,191</u>	<u>4,309,023</u>
Total net assets	<u>12,016,161</u>	<u>12,407,090</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u><u>\$ 12,016,161</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 12,407,090</u></u>

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**Statement of Activities – Modified Cash Basis
Year Ended June 30, 2025**

	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues and other support			
Contributions	\$ 3,659,466	\$ 2,101,513	\$ 5,760,979
Investment return, net	918,088	-	918,088
Net assets released from restriction	<u>2,808,345</u>	<u>(2,808,345)</u>	<u>-</u>
 Total revenues and other support	 <u>7,385,899</u>	 <u>(706,832)</u>	 <u>6,679,067</u>
Expenses			
Program	5,961,515	-	5,961,515
Management and general	535,934	-	535,934
Fundraising	<u>572,547</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>572,547</u>
 Total expenses	 <u>7,069,996</u>	 <u>-</u>	 <u>7,069,996</u>
 Change in net assets	 315,903	 (706,832)	 (390,929)
 Net assets, beginning of year	 <u>8,098,067</u>	 <u>4,309,023</u>	 <u>12,407,090</u>
 Net assets, end of year	 <u><u>\$ 8,413,970</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 3,602,191</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 12,016,161</u></u>

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Statement of Activities – Modified Cash Basis Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues and other support			
Contributions	\$ 3,419,268	\$ 2,012,390	\$ 5,431,658
Investment return, net	1,003,598	-	1,003,598
Net assets released from restriction	<u>3,449,703</u>	<u>(3,449,703)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total revenues and other support	<u>7,872,569</u>	<u>(1,437,313)</u>	<u>6,435,256</u>
Expenses			
Program	6,321,481	-	6,321,481
Management and general	548,124	-	548,124
Fundraising	<u>443,121</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>443,121</u>
Total expenses	<u>7,312,726</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,312,726</u>
Change in net assets	559,843	(1,437,313)	(877,470)
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>7,538,224</u>	<u>5,746,336</u>	<u>13,284,560</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 8,098,067</u>	<u>\$ 4,309,023</u>	<u>\$ 12,407,090</u>

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Statements of Functional Expenses – Modified Cash Basis Years Ended June 30, 2025 and 2024

	2025				2024			
	Program	Management and General	Fundraising	Total	Program	Management and General	Fundraising	Total
Salaries and wages	\$ 356,834	\$ 277,026	\$ 283,101	\$ 916,961	\$ 212,967	\$ 296,632	\$ 250,997	\$ 760,596
Employee benefits	67,766	52,610	53,764	174,140	42,061	58,585	49,572	150,218
Payroll taxes	25,577	19,857	20,292	65,726	15,447	21,516	18,206	55,169
Total salaries and related expenses	450,177	349,493	357,157	1,156,827	270,475	376,733	318,775	965,983
School improvement and support	3,797,944	-	-	3,797,944	3,423,533	-	-	3,423,533
High school activities	1,250,701	-	-	1,250,701	1,059,561	-	-	1,059,561
Grants and scholarships	417,078	-	-	417,078	1,419,750	-	-	1,419,750
Professional fees	20,000	57,102	58,500	135,602	120,000	62,838	11,500	194,338
Awareness	-	-	75,102	75,102	-	-	13,101	13,101
Office supplies and rent	24,583	19,085	19,503	63,171	21,005	29,258	24,756	75,019
Miscellaneous	1,032	51,186	1,092	53,310	6,425	40,593	3,212	50,230
Information technology	-	52,927	-	52,927	-	34,538	-	34,538
Fundraising events	-	-	43,949	43,949	-	-	55,589	55,589
Printing	-	6,141	17,244	23,385	732	4,164	16,188	21,084
Total expenses	<u>\$ 5,961,515</u>	<u>\$ 535,934</u>	<u>\$ 572,547</u>	<u>\$ 7,069,996</u>	<u>\$ 6,321,481</u>	<u>\$ 548,124</u>	<u>\$ 443,121</u>	<u>\$ 7,312,726</u>

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Statements of Cash Flows – Modified Cash Basis Years Ended June 30, 2025 and 2024

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Cash flows from operating activities		
Change in net assets	\$ (390,929)	\$ (877,470)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash from operating activities:		
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	<u>(525,951)</u>	<u>(542,064)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(916,880)</u>	<u>(1,419,534)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchases of investments	(3,736,985)	(6,904,576)
Proceeds from sales of investments	<u>5,110,612</u>	<u>5,906,086</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	<u>1,373,627</u>	<u>(998,490)</u>
Net change in cash	456,747	(2,418,024)
Cash, beginning of year	<u>313,120</u>	<u>2,731,144</u>
Cash, end of year	<u><u>\$ 769,867</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 313,120</u></u>

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Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Activities

CISE (the Organization) was incorporated as a not-for-profit organization under the laws of the State of Ohio in 2017. Effective January 1, 2018, the Organization began operating as a stand-alone entity continuing the programming previously provided as a department of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. The Organization's mission is to improve the lives of underprivileged children through quality education by supporting eleven inner-city schools in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Organization's revenue is derived principally from contributions and investment return.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Consequently, inflows or receipts are recognized when received rather than when earned and expenses or disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. This basis differs from GAAP primarily because the modified cash basis of accounting typically excludes pledges and other receivables, accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Financial Statement Presentation

The Organization is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets: net assets without donor restrictions, which are available for use in general operations and not subject to donor restrictions; and net assets with donor restrictions, which are either temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor, or are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity.

Fair Value Measurements

GAAP has a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based on transparency of valuation inputs as of the measurement date. The hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The three levels are defined as follows: Level 1 inputs are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets; Level 2 inputs are observable quoted prices for similar assets in active markets; Level 3 inputs are unobservable and reflect management's best estimate of what market participants would use as fair value.

Cash

The Organization maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts which, at times, exceeds federally insured limits. The Organization has not experienced any losses in such accounts and management believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk.

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Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

NOTE 1 NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Investments and Investment Return

Investments in equity securities having a readily determinable fair value and all debt securities are carried at fair value. Other investments are valued at the lower of cost or fair value. Investment return includes dividends, interest and realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments.

Investment return is reflected in the statements of activities as without donor restrictions or with donor restrictions based upon the existence and nature of any donor or legally imposed restrictions. The Organization's investments do not have a significant concentration of credit or market risk within any industry, specific institution or group of investments.

Contributions

Gifts of cash and other assets received without donor stipulations are reported as revenue and net assets without donor restrictions. Gifts received with a donor stipulation that limits their use are reported as revenue and net assets with donor restrictions. When a donor stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Gifts that are originally restricted by the donor and for which the restriction is met in the same time period are recorded as net assets with donor restrictions and then released from restriction.

Conditional gifts depend on the occurrence of a specified future and uncertain event to bind the potential donor and are recognized as assets and revenues when the conditions are substantially met and the gift becomes unconditional. Payments received in advance of the event are recorded as refundable advances until the event has occurred.

Income Taxes

The Organization is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and a similar provision of Ohio law. However, the Organization is subject to federal income tax on any unrelated business taxable income.

The Organization's IRS Form 990 is subject to review and examination by federal and state authorities. The Organization believes it has appropriate support for any tax positions taken, and therefore, does not have any uncertain income tax positions that are material to the financial statements.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of supporting the various programs and other activities have been reported on a functional basis in the accompanying statement of functional expenses. Expenses have been classified based upon the actual direct expenditures and cost allocations based upon estimates of time spent by the Organization's personnel.

Reclassifications

Certain 2024 figures were reclassified to conform to the 2025 presentation.

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**Notes to Financial Statements
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NOTE 1 NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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 of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Event Evaluation

In preparing its financial statements, the Organization has evaluated events subsequent to the statement of financial position date through November 6, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 2 LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY

Financial assets available for general expenditures at June 30 are as follows:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Financial assets:		
Cash	\$ 769,867	\$ 313,120
Investments	<u>11,246,294</u>	<u>12,093,970</u>
Total financial assets	12,016,161	12,407,090
Less net assets with donor restrictions	<u>(3,602,191)</u>	<u>(4,309,023)</u>
Total financial assets available within one year	<u><u>\$ 8,413,970</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,098,067</u></u>

The Organization receives significant contributions with donor restrictions to be used in accordance with the associated purpose restrictions. In addition, the Organization receives support without donor restrictions. These donations fund annual operating expenses.

NOTE 3 INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE

Investments at fair value at June 30 consisted of the following:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Level 1:		
Equity mutual funds	\$ 3,209,136	\$ 3,217,714
Fixed income securities	7,064,512	3,569,808
Level 2:		
Money market funds	<u>972,646</u>	<u>5,306,448</u>
	<u><u>\$ 11,246,294</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 12,093,970</u></u>

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Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

NOTE 3 INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE (CONTINUED)

Where quoted market prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy. Level 1 securities include equity mutual funds and fixed income securities. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated using pricing models or quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics. Level 2 securities include money market funds. There were no assets using Level 3 inputs in June 30, 2025 and 2024.

NOTE 4 NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS

Net assets with donor restrictions are restricted for the following purposes as of June 30:

	2025	2024
Extended Learning and Leadership program	\$ 1,550,515	\$ 1,621,131
High School scholarships	1,061,113	1,198,490
Leadership development / summer program	326,808	340,597
High School program	198,473	273,367
Mental health program	193,929	179,126
Weekend food	131,949	116,986
Sports program	60,000	60,000
School improvement	48,706	52,702
Leadership Scholar parent program	18,975	184,820
Reading program	11,723	22,440
Nursing program	-	176,386
Preschool equipment fund	-	43,874
Career & Technical Education Feasibility	-	15,000
Teacher support	-	14,272
Math program	-	12,282
Xavier Jesuit Academy Funds	-	300
Preschool fund	-	(2,750)
	<u>\$ 3,602,191</u>	<u>\$ 4,309,023</u>

NOTE 5 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Organization is affiliated with CISE Foundation (the Foundation), a stand-alone not-for-profit organization established as a supporting organization of CISE. The Foundation provides support to CISE through distributions of contributed income approved by the Foundation's board on an annual basis. On occasion, CISE will receive contributions and pays certain expenses which are remitted to or reimbursed from the Foundation. During 2025 and 2024, the Foundation made distributions of \$545,727 and \$492,416, respectively, to CISE, including \$50,000 and \$30,000, respectively, paid for administrative support provided to the Foundation. Total contributions received and remitted to the Foundation were \$373,475 and \$100,000 during 2025 and 2024, respectively, and total expenses paid and reimbursed by the Foundation were \$90,645 and \$-0- during 2025 and 2024, respectively. In 2024, the Organization transferred \$868,111 of net assets with donor restriction funds to the Foundation. Beginning in 2025, the Organization acted as an intermediary raising funds on behalf of the Foundation and transferred \$1,645,605 to the Foundation. No amounts were due from (to) the Foundation as of June 30, 2025 and 2024.

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Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

NOTE 5 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

The Organization is also affiliated with CISE SGO (the SGO), a stand-alone not-for-profit organization established to provide scholarships to schools supported by CISE. On occasion, CISE will receive contributions and pays certain expenses which are remitted to or reimbursed from the SGO. Total contributions received and remitted to the SGO were \$22,539 and \$36,473 during 2025 and 2024, respectively, and total expenses paid and reimbursed by the SGO were \$7,168 and \$15,027 during 2025 and 2024, respectively. The SGO also paid CISE \$25,000 to provide administrative support to the SGO during both 2025 and 2024. No amounts were due from (to) the SGO as of June 30, 2025 and 2024.