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Core Question 2: Is the organization in sound fiscal health?

The Financial Performance Framework, outlined in Core Question 2, gauges both near-term financial health and longer-term financial sustainability while accounting for key financial reporting requirements. This accountability report reflects disaggregated calculations of the school's financial position *only* according to the annual accrual-based audit submitted to the Indiana State Board of Accounts. All past school accountability reports can be found on OEI's website.

Note: The Financial Performance Framework has been revised to include additional indicators, and for this reason, not all historical ratings are based on the listed indicator targets, and some historical ratings are not available.

Summary of Ratings							
Indicator	**Year 1 2020-21**	**Year 2 2021-22**	**Year 3 2022-23**	**Year 4 2023-24**	**Year 5 2024-25**	**Year 6 2025-26**	**Year 7 2026-27**
2.1 Short-term Health: Does the school demonstrate the ability to pay its obligations in the next 12 months?	ES	ES	ES	**AS**			
2.2 Does the school demonstrate long-term financial health?	ES	ES	MS	**DNMS**			
2.3 Does the school demonstrate it has adequate financial management and systems?	MS	MS	MS	**DNMS**			

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2.1 A. Does the school demonstrate the ability to pay its obligations in the next 12 months?	
Does not meet standard	The school does not meet standard for 2 or more of the following sub-indicators: Enrollment Variance, Current Ratio, Days Cash on Hand, and Debt Default
Approaching standard	The school approaches standard for all of the following sub-indicators: Enrollment Variance, Current Ratio, Days Cash on Hand and Debt Default OR The school meets standard for 3 of the sub-indicators and does not meet standard on the remaining sub-indicator OR the school approaches standard for two of the sub-indicators and meets standard for the remaining two sub-indicators.
Meets standard	The school meets standard for 3 of the following sub-indicators and approaches standard for the remaining sub-indicator: Enrollment Variance, Current Ratio, Days Cash on Hand, and Debt Default
Exceeds Standard	The school meets standard for all of the following sub-indicators: Enrollment Variance, Current Ratio, Days Cash on Hand, and Debt Default

Sub-indicator	Sub-indicator targets		Result	Rating
Enrollment Variance	DNMS	Enrollment variance is less than 90%	90%	AS
	AS	Enrollment variance is between 90% – 94%		
	MS	Enrollment variance equals or exceeds 95%		
Current Ratio	DNMS	Current ratio is less than 1.0	0.72	DNMS
	AS	Current ratio is between 1.0 – 1.09		
	MS	Current ratio equals or exceeds 1.1		
Days Cash on Hand	DNMS	Days cash on hand is less than 30	36	AS
	AS	Days cash on hand is between 30-44		
	MS	Days cash on hand equals or exceeds 45		
Debt Default	DNMS	Default or delinquent payments identified and/or is in violation of covenants	Waiver Granted	AS
	AS	The school is in violation of covenants, but audit indicates that a waiver was granted		
	MS	Not in default or delinquent		

Basis for Rating/Additional Details

Enrollment Ratio: Believe Circle City HS budgeted for 330 students for the 2023-2024 school year. According to data from the Indiana Department of Education, the school had average daily membership counts of 279 students for the September 2023 count and 264 students for the February 2024 count. This averaged an enrollment variance of 90%.

Current Ratio: The school's current liabilities (debt obligations due in the next 12 months) exceeded its current assets (cash or other assets that can be accessed in the next 12 months) at the end of the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Days Cash on Hand: This measure indicates how many days after June 30, 2024, the school would have been able to operate at its same spending levels without receiving additional funds.

Debt Default: This metric is determined by both the auditors' comments in the audited financial statements and contact with the school's creditors. Believe Circle City's creditor granted a waiver related to its debt service coverage ratio, which exceeded the limit set by the loan covenant during the 2023-24 fiscal year.

2.2. Does the organization demonstrate long-term financial health?	
Does not meet standard	The school does not meet standard on any of the 3 sub-indicators **OR** meets standard on 1 sub-indicator but does not meet standard on the remaining 2.

Approaching standard	The school meets standard on 2 of the sub-indicators while not meeting on the third, **OR** approaches standard on all 3 sub-indicators.
Meets standard	The school meets standard on 2 of the sub-indicators and approaches standard on the third.
Exceeds standard	The school meets standard for all 3 sub-indicators.

Sub-indicator	Sub-indicator targets		Result	Rating
Aggregate Three-Year Net Income	DNMS	Aggregate three-year net income is negative OR Aggregate three-year net income is not available and most recent year net income is negative.	($753,852.00)	DNMS
	AS	Aggregate three-year net income is positive and most recent year is negative OR Aggregate three-year net income is negative and most recent year net income is positive.		
	MS	Aggregate three-year net income is positive, and most recent year is positive.		
Debt to Asset Ratio	DNMS	Debt to Asset ratio exceeds 0.95	1.05	DNMS
	AS	Debt to Asset ratio is between 0.91 - 0.95		
	MS	Debt to Asset ratio is less than or equal to 0.9		
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	DNMS	DSC ratio is less than 1.05	-1.89	DNMS
	AS	DSC ratio is between 1.05 - 1.1		
	MS	DSC ratio equals or exceeds 1.2		

Basis for Rating/Additional Details

Aggregate Three-Year Net Income: Believe Schools, Inc has a negative aggregate change in its net assets over the prior three-year period and posted a deficit for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Debt-to-Asset Ratio: Believe Schools, Inc had a debt to asset ratio of 1.05, meaning that it had debts that were equivalent to 105% of its assets during the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Debt Service Coverage Ratio: Based on the deficit incurred during the 2023-2024 school year, there was a concern that the school and its affiliate could not cover long-term debt obligations.

2.3. Does the organization demonstrate that it has adequate financial management and systems?

Does not meet standard	The school does not meet standard on 1 of the sub-indicators.
Approaching standard	The school meets standards on 1 sub-indicator but approaches standard for the remaining sub-indicator.
Meets standard	The school meets standard on both sub-indicators.

Sub-indicator	Sub-indicator targets		Rating
Financial Audit	DNMS	The school receives an audit with multiple significant deficiencies, a material weakness, or has a going concern.	DNMS
	AS	The school receives a clean audit opinion with few significant deficiencies noted, but no material weaknesses.	
	MS	The school receives a clean audit opinion.	
Financial Reporting Requirements	DNMS	The school fails to satisfy financial reporting requirements by submitting less than 80% of documents on-time.	MS
	MS	The school satisfies all financial reporting requirements by submitting at least 80% of documents on-time.	

Basis for Rating/Additional Details

Financial Audit: As noted by Donovan CPAs, Believe Schools, Inc., has a going concern related to its operating deficit and negative cash flow for the 2023-24 fiscal year. Please note that the auditor indicated that the school had already taken steps to address the concerns and strategically plan for the upcoming fiscal year.

Financial Reporting Requirements: The school had an on-time submission rate of 92% for yearly financial compliance.